

Highlights from
Africa & her Diaspora.

LITTLE GIG MUSIC REPORT

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- Cape Town International Jazz Festivals hosts Masego, Thandiswa Mazwai, Nubya Garcia and a special collaboration between Nduduzo Makhathini and Black Coffee.
- The Ibiza Music Summit 2025, spotlights 'Africa' with an Africa To Ibiza high-energy sunset session celebrating amapiano, Afrohouse, and Afro-electronic music genres that are increasingly shaping dance floors worldwide.
- Deezer: AI-generated music now 18% of daily uploads.
- Salif Keita releases a new solo acoustic album with label Nø Format!
- South Africa's Tyla, Nigeria's Seun Kuti and Rema, and Ghana's Amaarae perform Coachella 2025.
- Amadou Bagayoko of iconic duo Amadou and Mariam dies aged 70.
- MTN Bushfire Festival in Eswatini sells out online for the 13th year in a row.
- Hey Neighbour Festival in Pretoria announces dates and Dojo Cat as their headliner.
- Travis Scott announces he will be performing on 11 October at FNB Stadium in Johannesburg as part of his "Circus Maximus World Tour".
- The Music Copyright Society of Kenya (MCSK) is in legal troubles with its bank account being frozen.
- Your Weekly Touch Up, a South African weekly alternative live music event, partners with Spotify for a Women's Day Event.
- The Creative Africa Nexus (CANEX) will be held in Algeria in September.
- 2025 Standard Bank Young Artists (South Africa) announced, including Muneyi.
- Kelvin Momo will headline the 2025 genre-defying Red Bull Symphonic.
- Artists applications are open for the 23rd edition of Sauti za Busara in Stone Town, Zanzibar from 6 to 8 February 2026.

BEST RELEASES

- Salif Keita - So Kono
- Davido - 5IVE
- MÖRDA - Asante III
- Black Sherif - Iron Boy
- Esinam & Sibusile Xaba - Healing Voices
- -M-, Fatoumata Diawara, Toumani & Balla Diabaté - Lamomali Totem
- Njerae - Unintentional
- Moonchild Sanelly - Full Moon