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# LITTLE GIG MUSIC REPORT

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- Tems announces world tour with only two dates TBA for Africa.
- TikTok has filed a lawsuit against the US government after President Joe Biden recently signed a law requiring the app's parent company, ByteDance, to sell its American operations or face a nationwide ban.
- Steyn Entertainment sellout In The City in Johannesburg with 3000 people to see Mereba.
- The Africa Rising Music Conference (ARMC) has announced its full programme for the 2024 edition of the event, which will take place in Johannesburg, South Africa, on 27 and 28 May.
- Bassline Festival announces a Pan African line-up to support Lira including: Maleh (Lesotho), Kadilida (Tanzania), Jay Mitta (Tanzania), Rita Kamale (Morocco), DJ Sebb (Reunion Island).
- Universal Music Group (UMG) and TikTok have announced a joint agreement, on fair compensation for artists and songwriters.
- Ghanaian highlife artist Gyedu-Blay Ambolley has announced a tour of the US this August.
- Bandcamp has announced that its Bandcamp Friday initiative generated \$123m for artists.
- Bongeziwe Mabandla announces Europe tour dates.
- Bushfire Festival in Eswatini announces Amadou & Mariam from Mali as one of its headline acts.

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# BEST RELEASES OF THE YEAR

- Thandiswa Mazwai - Sankofa
- Yaya Bey - Ten Fold
- Bab L'Bluz - Swaken
- Sio - Sarang
- Savara - No Overthinking