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7-17 January 2017

The Gambia

GUEST OF HONOUR *Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o*



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DIASPORA DEVELOPMENT PLATFORM

DATE	ACTIVITY	PLACE	TIME
7 Jan	Opening Ceremony	Manduar Hub	9am
	Community Cultural Performances incl. Music by Tatadinding- The Gambia's Kora Maestro	nr. Brikama	2pm
8 Jan	Kemetic Yoga at with the Numbi Arts Group	Sandele Lodge, Kartong	8pm 8-8.45am
	Youth Conference 'Lu Ma Warr' (The Leader in Me)	Manduar Hub	10am - 4.30pm
	Excursion incl. Wrestling Match	Paradise Beach Sanayang	4pm
9 Jan	Kemetic Yoga at with the Numbi Arts Group	Sandele Lodge, Kartong	8am
	Readings with local poets, The Cloud, Jamaican /British poet Patricia Foster, Faith Kolowole, @ Mango Tree and fiction writer, Bintou Sanneh	African Poetry Library	7pm
10 Jan	Launch of a new creative writing competition		
	Kemetic Yoga at with the Numbi Arts Group	Sandele Lodge, Kartong	8am-8.45
10 Jan	Responsible Tourism Seminar: (Day 1) Issues, challenges and the way forward	Senegambia Hotel	9am-5pm
11 Jan	Kemetic Yoga with the Numbi Arts Group	Sandele Lodge, Kartong	
	Responsible Tourism Seminar (Day 2) Issues, challenges and the way forward :	Senegambia Hotel	9am-5pm
12 Jan	Kemetic Yoga with the Numbi Arts Group	Sandele Lodge, Kartong	
	SABLE International Bookfair & Art Exhibition & 'Good Food' Market Fair (Set up) (Locally grown 'superfoods' and organic foodstuffs)	Senegambia Hotel Senegambia Hotel	10am—6pm
13 Jan	Kemetic Yoga at with the Numbi Arts Group	Sandele Lodge, Kartong	8am-8.45
	Poetry workshop with SABLE Poet in Residence Patricia Foster	African Poetry Library @Mango Tree, Fajara	5.30-7pm
	Conference - Questioning the 'Logic of the System': A Critical Look at Southern Perspectives. (Day 1)	Manduar Hub	9.30am-4pm
14 Jan	Bookfair and Art Exhibition SABLE/HBF International Bookfair and Art exhibition 'Good Food' Market (Locally grown 'superfoods' and organic foodstuffs)	Senegambia Hotel	10am-6pm
	Official Launch of International SABLE/HBF International Bookfair	Senegambia Hotel	6.30pm
	Opened by Professor Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o African Diaspora Poetry Reading -, incl. Patricia Foster, Rosamond S. King, Cornelius Gomez & others (venue tbc)	African Poetry Library Mango Tree Fajara	8.00pm
14 Jan	Conference - Questioning the 'Logic of the System'	Manduar Hub	10.00-4pm
	Keynote: Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o		
	Poetry Workshop with Patricia Foster (open to all)	African Poetry Library Mango Tree, Fajara	10am-12pm
	SABLE /HBF International Bookfair (Day 1)	Senegambia Hotel	10am-6pm

	& Art Exhibition 'Good Food' Market (Locally grown 'superfoods' and organic foodstuffs)		
	Book Launch : Ibrahima Amadou Amalion - Niang	Senegambia Hotel	3pm
	The Black Hermit by Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o	Ebunjan Theatre, Bakau	8pm
15 Jan	SABLE /HBF International Bookfair & Art Exhibition 'Good Food' Market (Locally grown 'superfoods' and organic foodstuffs)	Senegambia Hotel Senegambia Hotel	10am-6pm
	Book Launch for Kevin Eze	Amalion Publications	12-1pm
	Book Launch for Rosamond S. King	Senegambia Hotel	1-2pm
	Special guest writer Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o		3-6pm
	Reading by Ngugi and interview	Senegambia Hotel	3 -6pm
16 Jan	SABLE /HBF International Bookfair & Art Exhibition (Set up) from open 'Good Food' Market (Locally grown 'superfoods' and organic foodstuffs)	Senegambia Hotel Senegambia Hotel	2pm-6pm
	Dramatisation of The Upright Revolution Led by Mr Cornelius Gomez (Wolof)	Senegambia Hotel	5.30-6pm
	Reading of The Upright Revolution (Swedish) by Lamin Njie		
	Book presentation and signing	Senegambia Hotel	6-6.30pm
	Announcement of 2018 Mboka Festival		
17 Jan	Breakdown of SABLE/HBF International Bookfair and Art Exhibition 'Good Food' Market (Locally grown 'superfoods' and organic foodstuffs)	Senegambia Hotel	Midday
	Poetry Panel ; Sending your work for international submissions in journals and competitions with Kadija Sesay		12-1pm

CLOSING EVENT

OPEN MIC Followed by

Royal Messenjah (TBC)

Music by DJ's Musufing and others

African Poetry Library at Mango Tree, Fajara 8pm – 11pm

HIGHLIGHTS

***OPENING CEREMONY**

7 Jan at Manduar Development Hub with Tatadinding Gambia's kora maestro

***INTERNATIONAL BOOK, ART AND GOOD MARKET FOOD FAIR**

12-17 Jan at Senegambia Hotel

Theatre: The Black Hermit a play by *Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o

14 Jan at Ebunjan Theatre in Bakau

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Most events are free.

Opening ceremony, Excursion, Theatre, Tourism Seminar,
Academic Conference, Closing Ceremony have a small door charge.

**GUEST OF HONOUR, *Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o*
WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE FOLLOWING EVENTS**



- 13 JAN** Official opening ceremony of the Mboka Fair at Senegambia Hotel
- 14 JAN** Conference : Questioning the Logic of the System at Manduar
- 14 JAN** Theatre: ' The Black Hermit' at Eburnjan Theatre in Bakau
- 15 JAN** Reading and interview with *Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o*
- 16 JAN** Dramatisation of The Upright Revolution
Mr Cornelius Gomez will perform in Wolof
Mr Lamin Njie will read in Swedish

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CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION FOR YOUNG GAMBIAN WRITERS!

Win a place on a very special weekend in beautiful surroundings with a group of young international writers at Mboka 2018 to develop your poetry, fiction or non-fiction. You will make valuable connections and you will have the opportunity to work with a famous African writer. Find out who the writer is by coming to the event on 9 January.

The Launch event of the competition and poetry and story reading from 6.30pm to 9.30pm is on Monday 9 January at the African Poetry Library, Mango Tree, (NCAC office) in Fajara (walk behind GT Bank on Kairaba Avenue opposite the US Embassy). The event is free. Many thanks to Mrs Fatou Njie of the African Homecomers Collective for collaborating with schools in Gambia to have access to The African Poetry Library.

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Register as visitor or register as participating artist/organisation

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