

Makadem

The Ohanglaman

Press Kit

Ketebul
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Makadem playing nyatiti! @ Choices. Photo by Quaint Photography. Edited by Steve64

Who is Makadem?

Makadem is a talented musician and vibrant performing artiste. His stage presence, charismatic persona and powerful vocal delivery have had him likened to the legendary King of Afro-Beat, Fela Kuti; and his soulful folk ballads have earned him comparisons to the legendary Bob Dylan.

Having been very versatile, he first emerged as a dance hall artiste, a rapper and a singer going by the title Mr. Lololova and produced by a mombasa based musician and producer, Nabeel Sansool between 1997 and 2000.

He quickly settled for what he loved the most, contemporary African music having shifted his base to Ketebul music in Nairobi under the production of Tabu Osusa in 2005.

This earned him his first world class album the one and only Ohanglaman and his debut concerts in international festivals starting with Fest Horn in Djibouti in 2007, followed by Sauti Za Busara, Zanzibar Tanzania, twice in 2007 and 2010.

In 2009 he performed in Timitar Festival Morocco.

Makadem has widely toured Europe, he has performed in most of the towns in Denmark including the famous Copenhagen Jazz house all the way to Malmo, Helsingborg and Uppsala in Sweden between 2010 and 2011.

In 2011 he first performed in N'sangu Ndji Ndji a festival in Pointe Noire, Congo Brazzaville. In the same year, he toured Canada performing in Sunfest London Ontario and Festival Nuit D'Afrique in Montreal.

While on a three month residency in Paris France fully sponsored by

institute Francais, he performed at Cite Internationale Des Arts in Paris and at the opening of the Cannes Film Festival in France in May 2012. He later travelled from Paris to perform at Ollin Kan Festival in Iztapalapa, Mexico City.

Blankets and Wines is one of the major festivals in East Africa based in Nairobi. Makadem has headlined most of them between 2010 and 2014.

In 2014 he was a headline act at the Kenya China chapter of Smithsonian Folklife Festival held in Washington DC including the Prestigious Kennedy Centre.

In 2015 he performed during the Doa Doa East Africa Performing Arts Market in Jinja Uganda, he headlined at the Fete de la Music concert in Kampala Uganda courtesy of Alliance Francaise du Kampala and he also performed at Illimba festivals in Arusha Tanzania. Meanwhile in Kenya he performed during Airtel Sondeka festivals in Nairobi and many others.

2016 started with the release of his new album by One World Production in Denmark. Koko Rio, recorded live in an international studio in collaboration with musicians based in Europe. Then performances at the launching of the now popular Ongea East Africa Summit, later he was performing along side Africa's big rhumba maestro one Koffi Olomide at the Koroga festivals in Nairobi just before he left to Dubai and Abu Dhabi in April.

In Dubai Makadem was the solo headlining African act at the Global Village main stage courtesy of Africa Pavilion.

Meanwhile in Abu Dhabi he performed at the New York University and also held workshops with the arts students. Later came The People Of The Nile Festival in Kisumu Kenya and lastly The Kilifi New Year

Eve Party, here he collaborated with Wakuu and Bengatronics.

2017 has seen makadem perform at Soysambu Festival in the Wild in Kenya along side the Grammy Nominated Rocky Dawuni of Ghana, Nafasi Art Space in Dar Es Salaam Tanzania just before jetting off to Mexico for Ollin Kan Fest in Tlalpan Mexico City and at the cultural festival of the public university of Culiacan.

From Mexico makadem began his two and a half months solo acoustic Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017 performing June concerts at the Couleur Cafe Festivals in Copenhagen, Pan African Fest in Aarhus Denmark, Wind festival in Ciringito Viganj Croatia and at Club Miami in Berlin Germany.

July concerts include Tracing Utopia at Lowenpalais in Berlin Germany, Blijburg Aan Zee Afrogrooves concert in Amsterdam Holland and lastly he performed in a collaboration concert in Langes Tannen, Tornesch, Hamburg Germany with Kombo Chokwe Burns of Afro Simba Band Kenya, Mike Onyango a Kenyan trumpeter and bass player based in Holland and Izo Anyanga a Kenyan percussion and Litungu player based in Germany.

Makadem has done a lot of collaborations with international house deejay producers. He is taking the Nyatiti back to the club where the instrument belongs. From DJ Esa Williams based in London, DJ Maximilian Doblhof Vienna Austria, DJ Suraj Nairobi Kenya, DJ Berh of J'burg South Africa, all facilitated by Santuri Safari.

While on the Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017 he recorded with DJ Raoul Konan in Luebeck and DJ Dean Zepherin in Berlin Germany.

On 24th September 2017 makadem performed at the Bayimba international festival in Kampala Uganda. He is currently in Kigali Rwanda where he started the Nyatiti East Afrika Tour 2017 with a solo perfor-

mance at The Root House on 30th September.



Makadem Live at The Elephant. Photo by Quaint Photography. Edited by Steve64

What has Makadem done?

Nyatiti East Afrika Tour 2017, Kigali Rwanda, September 2017

Bayimba International Festival of Culture & Arts, Kampala Uganda, September, 2017

Langes Tannen, Tornesch, Hamburg Germany (Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017)

Tracing Utopia, Lowenpalais Berlin Germany (Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017)

Blijburg Aan Zee Afrogrooves Concert, Amsterdam Holland (Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017)

Club Miami, Berlin Germany (Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017)

Wind festival, Ciringito Viganj Croatia (Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017)

Pan African Fest in Aarhus Denmark (Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017)

Couleur Cafe Festivals, Copenhagen (Nyatiti Euro Tour 2017)

Ollin Kan Festival, Tlalpan Mexico City, 20 May 2017

Nafasi Art Space, Dar es Salaam Tanzania, 25 February 2017

Soysambu Festival in the Wild, Soysambu, February 2017

Kilifi New Year's Eve Party, Kilifi, 31 December 2016

People of the Nile Festival, Kisumu, 11 December 2016

New York University, Abu Dhabi, April 2016

Global Village, Dubai, April 2016

Makadem: www.ketebulmusic.org/artists/makadem

The Koroga Festival 11, Nairobi, 13 March 2016

Afrima Nominee, Best Artist or Group in African Contemporary Music Aug 2015

Gala Night, Nairobi, 8 August 2015

Highlife World Series/ Santuri Safari - Glasgow UK, 25 July 2015

Highlife World Series/ Santuri Safari - Focus on Africa, 20 July 2015

Highlife Worls Series/ Santuri Safari - Bristol, 19 July 2015

Highlife World Series/ Santuri Safari - Walthamstow Garden Party, London 18 July 2015

Luo Festival 11 July 2015

Fete de La Musique, Kampala 20 June 2015

Rhythm Sublime, Nairobi 11 June 2015

Story Moja Festival, May 2015

Afro Fusion Tuesday, 19 May 2015

German Week Launch 15 May 2015

Doadoa, Jinja Uganda 8 May 2015

Kenya Blog Awards, Nairobi 2 May 2015

The Rift Valley Festival, Naivasha Kenya, September 2014

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The Smithsonian Folklife Festival, Washington DC USA
June 25 to July 6, 2014

The Kennedy Centre Millenium Stage, Washington DC USA
July 3, 2014

Africa Underground, National Museum of African Art
Washington DC USA. June 28, 2014

Ellis Island, NYC USA. June 21 & 22, 2014

Opening for Bassekou Kouyate, Arhus Denmark 2013

African Experience: Tour of Denmark with Blick Bassy, Sekou Kouyate,
Ba Cissoko & Herve Samb, Copenhagen,
Aarhus, Aalborg 2013

Festival Ollin Kan, Iztapalapa Mexico City, 2012

Cannes Film Festival, France 2012

Visa Pour La Creation Artistic Residency Programme
Cite des Art, Paris France, March to May 2012

Nsangu Ndji Ndji, Brazaville Congo, 2012

Sunfest, London Ontario Canada, 2011

Nuits d'Afrique (Club Balatou), Montreal Canada, 2011

Opening for Seun Kuti, Copenhagen Denmark 2011

Kikwetu Festival, Nairobi Kenya, December 2010

Gatwich Festival, Nairobi Kenya, November 2010

Bayimba International Festival of Culture & Arts, Kampala Uganda,
September, 2010

Sauti za Busara, Zanzibar February 2007 & 2010

Kikwetu Festival, Naivasha Kenya, December 2009

Festival Timitar, Agadir Morroco, July 2009

Sawa Sawa Festival, Nairobi Kenya, 2008 & 2009

Fest Horn, Djibouti 2004 & 2007



Makadem playing guitar @ Blankets & Wine. Photo by Quint Photography. Edited by Steve64

Has Makadem recorded music?

CDs

Koko Rio 2014
Jambambo Reloaded 2009
Ohangla Man 2007

Singles

Salaam 2015 (featured in Highlife World Series CD)
Mganga Mkuu, 2014
Orudo (collaboration with Danish Dj Mads), 2013
Otongolo Gal, 2013
Ithi Sidlale Ibhola Afrika (World Cup SA Song), 2010
Mogidhi Kona Kona, 2010
Amani, 2010
Omotade, 2009
Obama Be Thy Name, 2008

DISCOGRAPHY



Makadem & band @ Choices, Photo by Quint Photography, Edited by Steve64

How does Makadem Perform?

Makadem performs in three distinct formats:

1. Solo
2. Trio
3. 5-Piece

Solo Set Instruments

- * Nyatiti* Guitar
- * Kalimba
- * Mbira
- * Kayamba

Solo Set Backline & Other Requirements

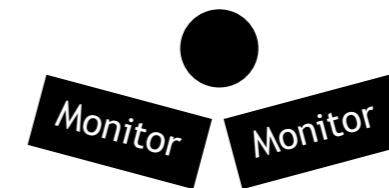
- * Microphones SM58 x1, SM57 x1, AKG C518 x1
- * DI Boxes x4
- * Floor mat x1
- * Guitar stand x1
- * Armless seat (preferably drummer's stool) x1

Solo Set Input List

CHANNEL	INSTRUMENT	MIC	INSERT
1	Nyatiti	AKG C518	Delay
2	Nyatiti	DI	Delay
3	Kalimba	DI	Delay
4	Mbira	DI	Delay
5	Guitar	DI	Delay
6	Kayamba	SM57	
7	Vocals	SM58	Reverb

Solo Stage Plot

Makadem
 Vocals
 Guitar
 Nyatiti
 Kalimba
 Mbira
 Kayamba
 Guitar stand
 Floor mat
 Drummer's stool



AUDIENCE

How does Makadem Perform?

Trio Set Instruments

- * Nyatiti * Kalimba * Mbira * Kayamba
- * Guitar x2

Trio Set Backline & Other Requirements

- * Microphones SM58 x3, SM57 x3, MD421 x2
- * Congas x2 * Gajate x1
- * DI Boxes x4
- * Floor mat x2
- * Guitar stand x2
- * Armless seat (preferably drummer's stool) x1
- * Monitors x4 (with 3 mixes)

Trio Set Input List

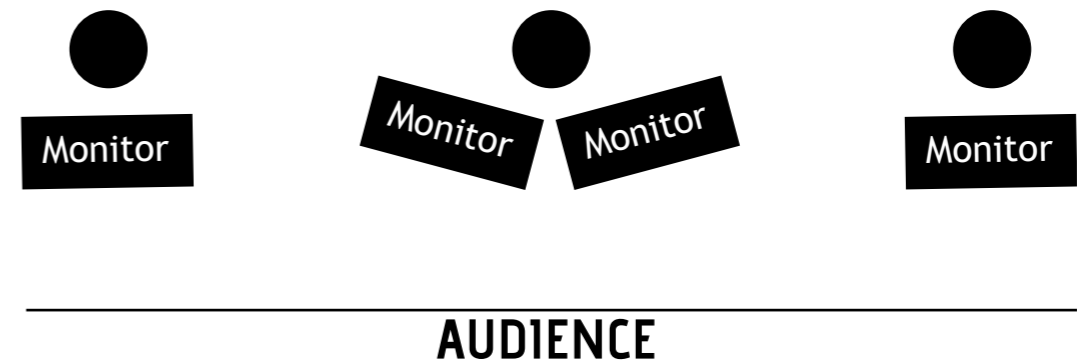
CHANNEL	INSTRUMENT	MIC	INSERT
1	Conga left	SM57	
2	Conga right	SM57	
3	Gajate	SM57	
4	Percs OH left	MD421	
5	Percs OH right	MD421	
6	Elec guitar amp	E606/ SM57	Delay
7	Elec guitar	DI	Delay
8	Guitar	DI	Delay
9	Nyatiti	AKG C518	Delay
10	Nyatiti	DI	Delay
7	Kalimba	DI	Delay
8	Mbira	DI	Delay
9	Guitar	DI	Delay
10	Kayamba	SM57	
11	Vocals	SM58	Reverb
12	Vocals	SM58	Reverb
13	Vocals	SM58	Reverb

Trio Stage Plot

Congas
Hi hat
Gajate
Cymbals
Floor mat
Drummer's stool
Monitor mix 2

Makadem
Vocals
Guitar
Nyatiti
Kalimba
Kayamba
Guitar stand
Floor mat
Drummer's stool
Monitor mix 1

Vocals
Elec Guitar
Elec guitar fx box
Power supply
Guitar stand
Drummer's stool
Monitor mix 3



The Set

How does Makadem Perform?

5-Piece Set Instruments

- * Semi Acoustic Guitar x 1
- * Electric Guitar x1
- * Effects Box for Electric Guitar x1
- * Kalimba x1
- * Mbira x1
- * Nyatiti

Back Line & Other Requirements

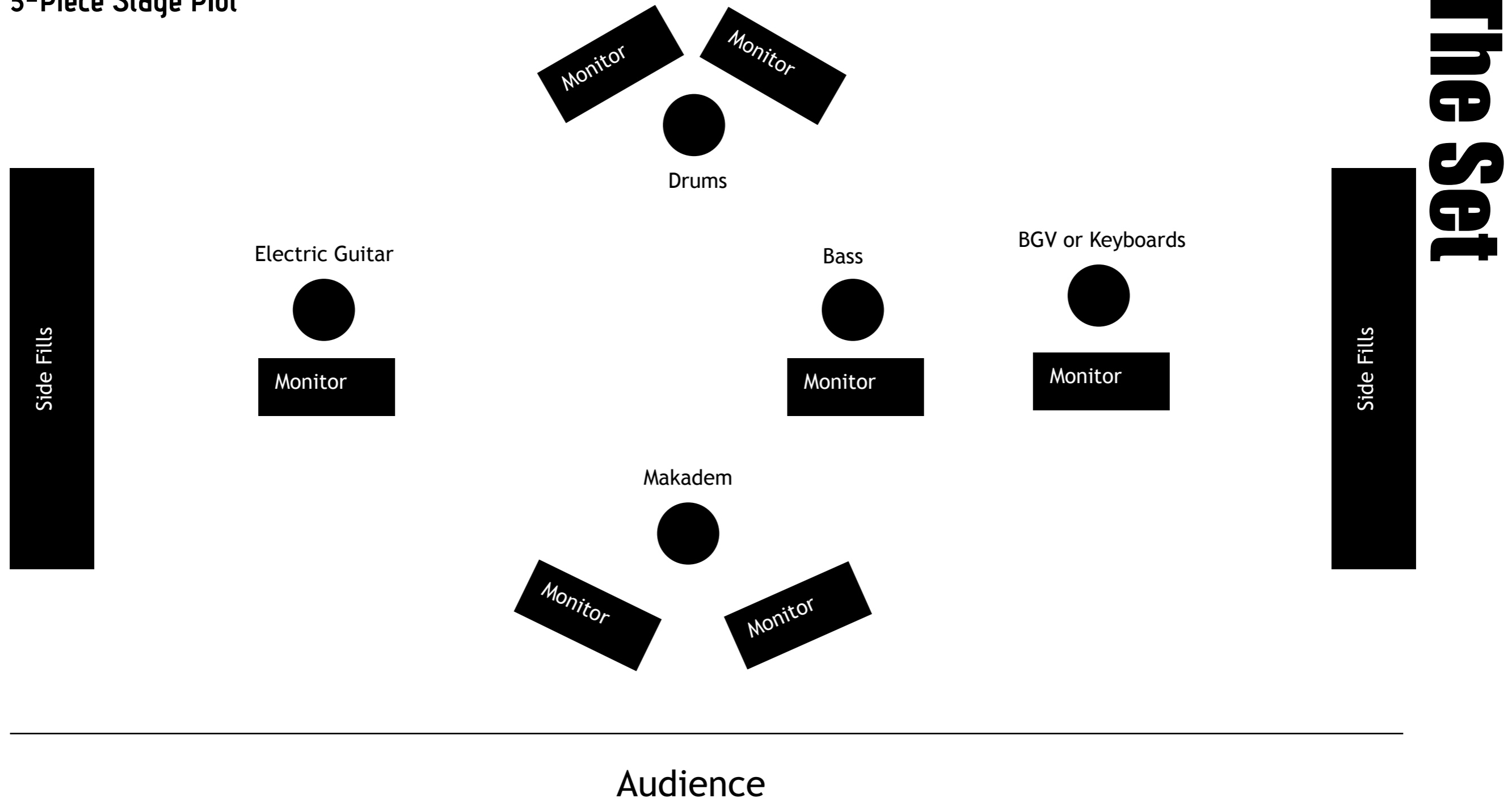
- * Drums
- * Guitar amp x1 (Fender Jazzman or Fender FM)
- * Bass Combo
- * Vocal mics SM58 x3
- * Mic for guitar & Bass amp Sennheiser E609 or SM57 x2
- * Direct Input Boxes x6
- * Guitar Stands x3
- * Stage Monitors (with 3 mixes) x4
- * Side fills
- * Professional PA & Sound System
- * FOH Engineer
- * Monitor Mix Engineer
- * Lights Engineer
- * Appropriate Stage lighting
- * Appropriate Stage Area of at least 7m x 3m
- * Secure Backstage area and green room for changing and prepping before show
- * Beer, bitings, cold and warm water with lemon slices, and refreshments in green room
- * Water and Face Towels on stage during show
- * Soundcheck 40min minimum

Full Band Input List

CHANNEL	INSTRUMENT	MIC	INSERT
1	Bass drum back	Beta 52	Comp
2	Snare drum	SM57	Reverb
3	Hi hats	SM81	
4	Tom 1	AKG C 518	Comp
5	Tom 2	AKG C 518	Comp
6	Tom 3	AKG C 518	Comp
7	OH left	SM81	
8	OH right	SM81	
9	Bass amp	Beta 52/SM57	Comp
10	Bass line	Di	
11	Elec guitar amp	E606/ SM57	Delay
12	Elec guitar	DI	Delay
13	Guitar	DI	Delay
14	Motif left	DI	
15	Motif right	DI	
14	Triton left	DI	
15	Triton right	DI	
16	Nyatiti	AKG C518	Delay
17	Nyatiti	DI	Delay
18	Kalimba	DI	Delay
19	Mbira	DI	Delay
20	Kayamba	SM57	
21	Vocals	SM57	Reverb
22	Vocals	SM58	Reverb
23	Vocals	SM58	Reverb
24	Vocals	SM58	Reverb

The Set

5-Piece Stage Plot



The Set

Is Makadem online?

For further information and details on Makadem, kindly visit the following online resources and social media sites:

YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjJlbzgXCIJikT7QeznFynQ>

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/olovamakadem>

Twitter handle @makadem

<https://www.twitter.com/makadem>

Instagram is

https://instagram.com/mak_adem

<https://www.soundcloud.com/makadem-1>

Reverbnation

<http://rvrb.fm/1HPgjaT>

Technical Ryder and EPK

<http://www.ketebulmusic.org/press-kits/makadem/>

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Bio and live show links

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To buy Makadem albums;

Ohanglaman

<https://itunes.apple.com/ke/album/ohanglaman/id459140230>

Koko Rio

<https://itunes.apple.com/ke/album/koko-rio/id965106306>

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Makadem playing nyatiti! @ The National Mall, Washington DC, USA. Photo by Sapoti. Edited by Steve64

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Mganga Mkuu