

Afrika Bambaataa's Vinyl Collection Crate Diggers

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Fuse talks with Afrika Bambaataa about his iconic vinyl collection that is one of the first sonic foundations of hip-hop. Bambaataa is currently a visiting scholar at Cornell and his vinyl will become a part of the school's hip-hop archive.

Universal Zulu Nation's 40th Anniversary NYC feat. Afrika Bambaataa, Public Enemy, Ice Cube, Ice-T and more



The Universal Zulu Nation is celebrating their 40th anniversary and the 39th birthday of hip-hop in NYC during the week of November 6th. See the event schedule below:

Wednesday, November 6th, 2013 ::: UZN40 Day 1

ZULU JAPAN CONNECTION

5pm-10pm. 18+. DJs Yutaka, OG Chino, Zulu King Tone & Soul.
Host: TC Izlam. Fat Buddha 212 Ave A betw. 13th & 14th St.
NYC. Any train to 14th St./Union Sq. \$5 or UZN40 Fun Pass
fatbuddhabar.com

HOUSE OF HIPSTEP

10pm-4am. 18+. DJs Afrika Bambaataa, TC Izlam, Large Professor, Just-Ice, Baby Bam, Dynamix 2, Evil Dee, Rich Medina, Rob Swift, Wednesday, Odyssey, Randall. Performances by Stick-E & the Hoodz, Wadadda, PHONY PPL, Duckdown USA and Jah Dan Blackamoor. Hosts: Freedom Williams, Bonz Malone & TC Izlam. Sullivan Room 218 Sullivan St betw. W. 3rd & Bleecker NYC. A B C D E F M to West 4th. 1 to Houston. 6 to Bleecker. \$20 for 21+. \$25 for under 21 or UZN40 Fun Pass sullivanroom.com

Thursday, November 7th, 2013 ::: UZN40 DAY 2

FILM SCREENING: BEAT THIS: A Hip-Hop History

6pm-11pm. All Ages. Opening words by PopMaster Fabel and film screening to follow @ 7pm. All Ages. Wine & cheese tasting for 21+. Maysles Cinema 343 Malcolm X Blvd betw. 127th & 128th. Harlem. 2 3 4 5 or 6 to 125th. \$10 suggested or UZN40 Fun Pass maysles.org

Friday, November 8th, 2013 ::: UZN40 Day 3

AFRIKA BAMBAATAA & FAMILY

8pm-3am. All Ages. Show @ 10pm. Feat. Ice Cube, Public Enemy, Ice T, Naughty Nation and UltraMagnetic MCs PLUS DJs Afrika Bambaataa, Kool DJ Red Alert, Afrika Islam, Jazzy Jay, Easy LG, Mark Luv, Luvbug Starski and Funkmaster Flex. Opening: M.C. Spice. Host: Mick Benzo. National Black Theater 2031 5th Ave betw. 125th & 126th Harlem NYC. Trains: 2 3 4 5 or 6 to 125th. \$30 or \$20 w/ Zulu or Moorish ID or UZN40 Fun Pass.

Saturday, November 9th, 2013 ::: UZN40 Day 4

UNIVERSAL ZULU NATION FAMILY DAY

12noon-8pm. FREE! All Ages. Youth performances by Nene Ali, Hip Hop Catz, Def Groove, Miranda Writes & more. Johnson Community Center 1833 Lexington Ave betw. 113th & 114th East Harlem NYC. Train: 6 to 116th St. Free food too!

UNIVERSAL ZULU NATION THROWDOWN

8pm-3am: Show @ 10pm. All Ages. Feat. DITC, MVP, Junior Demus, Joe Ski Love, Methuzulah Gem, Jasiri X, Rebel Diaz, Sa Roc, Black UN, K-Swift, Balla Belly, Billy Ray, Blahzay, L.A.W. PLUS DJs Jazzy Jay, Q Tip, GrandWizzard Theodore, Mell Starr, Mark Luv, 9th Wonder, Kool D & Tyrone the Mixologist. Hosts: GrandMaster Caz & Ed Lover. Opening: M.C. Spice. National Black Theater 2031 5th Ave betw. 125th & 126th Harlem NYC. Trains: 2 3 4 5 or 6 to 125th.

\$30 or \$20 w/ Zulu or Moorish ID or UZN40 Fun Pass

Sunday, November 10th, 2013 ::: UZN40 Day 5

MEETING OF THE MINDS

3pm-9pm. Free! All Ages. Feat. Cashus D, Dr. Shaka Zulu, Ernie Paniccioli, Joe Conzo, 9th Wonder, M.C. Spice and many more! Donations welcomed. National Black Theater 2031 5th Ave betw. 125th & 126th Harlem NYC. Trains: 2 3 4 5 or 6 to 125th.

BEATSTREET THROWBACK

8pm-3am. 18+. Feat. Us Girls (Lisa Lee, Debbie Dee & Sha Rock w/ Original DJ Spindarella), Soul Sonic Force, Shango, Sequence, Chief Rocker Busy Bee w/ Kool DJ AJ Scratch, T-Ski Valley, Grand Master Melle Mel, Treacherous 3, Young Star, Master G & Wonder Mic. PLUS DJs Afrika Bambaataa, Rockin' Rob, Johnny Juice, Supreme, Ali Shaheed Muhammad, Chuck Chillout, Scratch, Diamond and Cabin. Opening: M.C. Spice. Host: GrandMaster Caz. SOB's 200 Varick St @ Houston NYC. 1 train to Houston. \$30 or \$20 w/ Zulu or Moorish ID or UZN \$70 Fun Pass. sobs.com

Vending

Vending during the Universal Zulu Nation's 40th Anniversary is \$50 per night. Vending is possible ONLY on the NIGHTS of Nov. 6, 8 & 9. It's just \$25 to vend on Nov. 10 at Meeting of the Minds. Please email: uzn40nov@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Vendors may bring one table, two chairs and one assistant.

Throwback: Africa Bambaataa And The Soul Sonic Force-Looking For The Perfect Beat

Africa Bambaataa is one of the three post James Brown hip-hop originators who along with Kool Herc and Grandmaster Flash founded hip-hop in the Bronx. It's a familiar story that isn't told enough but it's up to Herc to start the process of making the movie instead of just [complaining](#). Bambaataa is also the founder of the Universal Zulu Nation hip-hop's oldest organization that started out as an alternative to gang life. The group went on the first hip-hop tour in 1982 with a trip outside the United States. He is the first hip-hop artist to collaborate with James Brown on the 1984 single "Unity." "Looking For The Perfect" came after ["Planet Rock"](#) and before ["Renegades Of Funk"](#) three highly influential songs in the hip-hop, electro and dance genres.