Maimouna Youssef Returns To Harlem Stage This Week

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Credit: Tony Powell

Maimouna Youssef is returning to Harlem Stage this week for two shows. On Friday night she will dedicate the show to her Choctaw, African American and Muslim ancestry. Youssef, aka MuMu Fresh comes from a family of spiritual artists and activists. The music will come from her repertoire of traditional African and indigenous songs. Saturday night's show will be an evening of hip-hop from her recently released album produced by DJ Jazzy Jeff and The PLAYlist called *The Healing*. Doors open at 7:30 PM both nights and tickets can be purchased here and here and here. For more information about Manhattan's Harlem Stage Gatehouse go here. Check out MuMu Fresh performing "Say My Name" at BET's Black Girls Rock! this year.Â

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Maimouna Youssef To Perform New Album Vintage Babies At Harlem Stage

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On October 19th Maimouna Youssef will perform music from her new album Vintage Babies at Harlem Stage. Ms. Youssef aka MuMu Fresh has been busy all year after a performance with August Green for NPR's Tiny Desk Concert series and the completion of Vintage Babies. She has collaborated with DJ Dummy The Genius on the new music that has appearances from TDE's SIR, Common, Ra Brown and Malik Yusef. The first single "Shine Your Light" has already ascended at number six on the UK Indie music charts. The DC-based singer is also a musical ambassador for the United States and just finished touring Central America. Last year she had a cameo in Girls Trip and a song with Oddisee on the Queen Sugar soundtrack. Youssef has continued to spread her sound around the world since she gained notice for her Grammy-nominated feature on The Roots' "Don't Feel Right" in 2007. Her 2011 single "I Got A Man" from her The Blooming debut album became the theme to the popular BET show Being Mary Jane.Â

The concert at Harlem Stage will open with a set from DJ Beauty And The Beatz. <u>Tickets</u> are still available for the show.Â



August Greene Performs NPR Tiny Desk Concert With

Brandy, Andra Day & Maimouna Youssef

August Greene made their NPR Music Tiny Desk Concert debut with a five-song set. Common, Karriem Riggins and Robert Glasper are the core members of the group but for the performance, they added members of their collective including DJ Dummy, Burniss Travis and Samora Pinderhughes. Common explains at the beginning how August Greene understands the current #MeToo movement and they wanted to show their support by putting women guests in the foreground. Brandy, Maimouna Youssef and Andra Day are the women Common described as foregrounding the band and they join August Greene for one of their first live events.

Maimouna Youssef-Stay

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"Stay" is from Maimouna Youssef's <u>The Reintroduction Of Mumu</u> <u>Fresh</u> mixtape from last Spring.