

Universal Zulu Nation Announces Series of Events Celebrating The 40th Anniversary of Hip-Hop



Universal Zulu Nation, the First Family of Hip-Hop, celebrates a new chapter in its remarkable history with the launch of UZN Events Corporation. The illustrious organization's newest division will be hosting a summer-long series of exclusive events culminating in the Official 40th Anniversary of Hip-Hop celebration being held in festival format over 6 days in New York City, November 4th through November 9th, 2014.

Not only will UZN's Hip-Hop festival host the most influential and recognizable artists in the genre throughout the last 40 years, it will also host additional genres that have been influential throughout Hip-Hop's existence, including but not limited to, rock, punk, EDM, funk, and many others. Many contributors to previous Hip-Hop Anniversaries have rightfully become legends in their fields, and many of

them return to New York every November to repay the community that has supported them from day one. "This will be the biggest anniversary that we have ever done," promises Amad Henderson, President and Co-founder of Universal Zulu Nation. A who's who of headliners will be announced throughout the summer.

Confirmed Official Universal Zulu Nation events include:

Crotona Park Summerstage featuring the legendary Chuck Chillout, DJ Hollywood, and Busy Bee, June 25th

Central Park Summerstage with Rock Steady Crew, July 27th

Staten Island Summerstage featuring Latin Freestyle superstars Lisette Melendez and George Lamond, July 30th

Martha's Vineyard Summer Madness Festival featuring Lauryn Hill, MC Lyte, Monie Love, Amel Larrieux, and Queen Lisa Lee (Soulsonic Force's first female MC), August 8th

Woodstock 45th Anniversary/UZN 41st Anniversary, August 15th-17th

Exclusive official Universal Zulu Nation events during Hip-Hop History Month in November will include an Amateur Night, a Hip-Hop & Electronica Celebration, a Break Dance Contest, the 40th Anniversary of Hip-Hop Culture, a Funk Night, and a Hip-Hop & Punk Night. Details to be announced soon.

The sweeping range of talent and events is a testament to Hip-Hop's dynamic nature and its indelible, resounding impact on world history. In just 40 years, Hip-Hop, once the soundtrack of the projects, has become the driving force in global pop culture, and Universal Zulu Nation has emerged as its primary emissary.

Originally established as an urban youth group in the Bronx in 1973 by DJ, producer, and activist Afrika Bambaataa, Universal Zulu Nation has grown over the past four decades into one of the most internationally-renowned and respected cultural and social organizations with thousands of members and over 50 chapters in countries around the world including Japan, the

U.K., France, and South Africa.

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.

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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.