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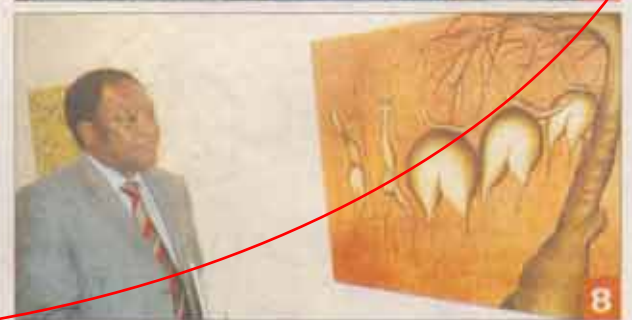
'POWER OF UNITY' EXHIBITION OPENS AT NAIROBI GALLERY

Photos: JOEL MAGUI

ART is a vehicle to communicate. Visual arts are capable of rallying everyone together regardless of age, colour, religion or tribe.

The importance of visual arts was acknowledged during the launch of the Kenya Visual Artists Network on Tuesday evening at the Nairobi Gallery, National Museums of Kenya. It was a welcome gesture that resonated very well with the invited guests. Aptly themed the 'Power of Unity' exhibition, it was officiated by the acting PS, ministry of Justice, National Cohesion and Constitutional Affairs, **Gichira Kibara**, alongside **Marjaana Sall**, EU deputy head of delegation to Kenya. "Culture is a vital component of a people's identity and hence can be a useful avenue for positively influencing various parameters of governance such as co-existence, cohesion, integration and values," said Kibara.

Among those in attendance were Nairobi PC **Njoroge Ndirangu**, **Morris Odhiambo**, President of the National Civil Society Congress, and **Anthony Njue** from the National Museums of Kenya.



1. Gichira Kibara, Acting PS, ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs. 2. Marjaana Sall, deputy head, European Union delegation. 3. Artist Wakanyote Njuguna. 4. One of the artworks at the exhibition. 5. Morris Odhiambo, president National Civil Society Congress. 6. Osaya Ondego with Tabu Osusa of Ketebul Music. 7. Marjaana Sall, Gichira Kibara and John Maina. 8. Nairobi PC Njoroge Ndirangu admiring one of the artworks at the exhibition.

David Muriithi's D-Liteful birthday bash

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CREATIVE enterprise trainer and property entrepreneur **David Muriithi**, better known to his many fans by his popular alter-ego **DJ D-Lite**, held his birthday party on Wednesday at the upmarket Mercury Lounge, ABC Place, in Westlands, Nairobi.

The well attended party saw hundreds of people turn up at the venue for the much anticipated party which was dubbed 'I'm sexy and I know it' after a hit song by the same name. David proved quite the host as every lady in the club was offered a free shot of Baileys, which he even served personally. He took over the decks and got the guests dancing from as early as 8pm and into the wee hours of the morning. The night was attended by a bevy of beauties, well-known personalities and lots of food and drinks all round. Guests included TV presenter **Jimmi Gathu** and his wife **Cathy**, Kenya ICT Board CEO **Paul Kukubo**, Citizen TV news anchor **Lillian Muli-Kanene**, Star columnist **Valentine Njoroge**, TV show hostess and producer **Eve D'Souza** and film producer **Hawa Essuman**.

A chocolate cake, in the image of a DJ turntable, was cut. "I am still 21 with 22 years experience and I have no plans of slowing down," David said.



1. Former radio host Ngatia Murenga, David Muriithi and event manager Joe Nyagah. 2. Martine Kappel, founder of True North Leadership, the birthday boy and Wanjiru Karanja of FAO. 3. Mali actress Mumbi Maina with news anchor Lillian Kanene. 4. Hypeman DnG, ceramist Christine Gitau and Grace Makosewe. 5. The turntable chocolate cake. 6. Eve D'Souza with the host.

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Soccer star **Samuel Eto'o** enjoying some quiet moments at the Fairmont Mount Kenya Safari Club, Nanyuki, yesterday afternoon.