

Presentation of

Diddal Jaalal Musical Group



Initially founded in 1991, Diddal Jaalal formally became a musical group in 1995. These young Fulani (Peul) nomads, revolting against the social boundaries, joined together without being linked to the traditional musicians (griots) drawn from the Wambaabes (traditional musicians specialized in families history) and Awloubés (traditional singers and paises specialized in families relationship). Diddal Jaalal dared to choose music as their livelihood contrary to Mauritanian tradition. The musicians are originated from small villages from the Southeast of Mauritania, West Africa, in the Assaba (from Kankossa) and the Gidimakha (ould Yengé). Their repertoire is sung in all Mauritanian languages, uniting the Mauritanian people, proving that this country's cultural diversity is a rich and strong heritage.

From the very beginning, Diddal Jaalal chose "*music as a means to development*" as its mission and slogan, introducing a new artistic language to the Mauritanian musical scene.

The group is distinguished for its efforts and ability to raise regional awareness of the myriad of issues challenging West Africa, ranging from human rights to AIDS.

Diddal Jaalal coined the term "Afro-nomad" for the style and pentatonic sounds pulled from tribes that journey the vast expanse between the Atlantic Ocean and the Red Sea, namely the Fulani, the Maures, the Touaregs, the Ethiopians, Eritrean and the Sudanese.

***Diddal Jaala* In the international Level:**



- Festival international des musiques nomades Nouakchott 1^{ère} édition 03
- Festival international des musiques nomades Nouakchott 2^{ème} édition 04
- Gambian Kanilai International Africain Art Festival 2005

Baagal Safrea is the name of the (creative work shop between Diddal Jaalal and The Malian Malian musician Ballaké Sissoko. initiated by Royaumont foundation) in France 2005

- Concert with Ballaké à Bamako 11 Mars 2006
- Atelier de création et de recherche musicale a L' Abbaye De Royaumont, Paris avec Ballaké du 21 au 30 mars 2006
- Concert Fenêtre sur court 14 March 2006 at. Royaumont
- Baagal- Safrea (Ballaké Sissoko and Diddal Jaalal) Tour in France Oct2006
- Royaumont 14 Octobre 2006
- Théâtre de la ville Paris le 16th of October 2006
- Théâtre Saint Quentin (France) 25 Octobre 2006
- Concert at. LSC halls pleine de Saint Denis (France) With the Diaspora 11 Novembre 2006
- Workshops in Eragny(France) from 14 to 17 of November 06 International Solidarity week
- Internationale Solidarité Concert Eragny 17 November 2006
- Maison de la Musique de Nanterre (en France ,) 18 November 2006

Diddal Jaalal in France March 2008

- Théâtre du garde Chasse (les lilas93) March 14th -2008

France

- L'entre –Deux Parcs, Lésigny. March15th- 2008

France

- Gambian international roots festival May 31, 2008

Banjul

- Fête de la musique jun21first 2008 at. Centre culturel

Français

-15aines des arts de Nouakchott (concert at the French cultural centre of Nouakchott 30/06/2008

- Concert at the stadium of Sebkhah (Nouakchott, Mauritania) 2/07/2008

- Festival SICA / Benin 17-to 23 November 2008 Cotonou