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Dear Friends

Ashenda is the colorful and exuberant annual festival celebrated by Tigrayan girls and women with songs, dances and wearing of stunning traditional dresses - our cover image captures the beauty of this festival. Read about Wild Coffee which is certified coffee from the Bale Mountains aiming to enhance sustainability of organic wild harvested forest coffee.

Genfo, much loved by Ethiopians globally, can be an acquired taste if you eat it for the first time but it is highly nutritious so why not give our recipe a try! Creative artist Yordi who paints vibrant designs on home accessories from trays to boxes and pottery which accentuate a home beautifully and she also takes custom orders.

Congratulations to Ethiopian students for delivering an outstanding performance competing at an international Robotics Championship!

Just a few samples of articles this edition!

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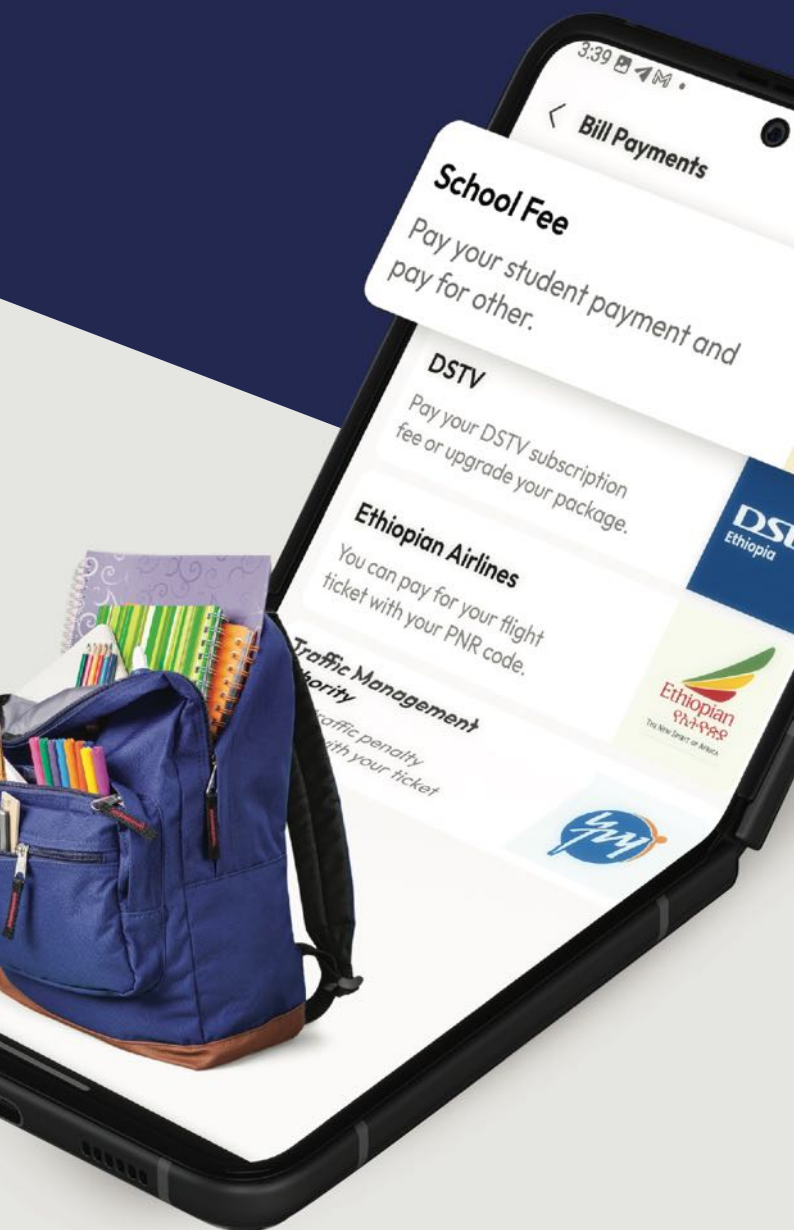
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ASHENDA: THE FESTIVAL OF BEAUTY, FREEDOM, AND SISTERHOOD

Every year, the highlands of Tigray come alive with music, color, and celebration during Ashenda – one of Ethiopia’s most vibrant cultural festivals. Celebrated mainly by girls and young women, Ashenda takes place after the Filseta fasting season in the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church tradition.

The word “Ashenda” comes from a tall green grass that grows during the rainy season. Girls decorate themselves with this grass, symbolizing freshness, renewal, beauty, and growth. Dressed in stunning traditional white dresses embroidered with colorful patterns, they gather in groups to sing, dance, and move from house to house spreading joy and blessings.

More than a festival, Ashenda is a powerful expression of identity and freedom. For a few days, girls take center stage as their voices, creativity, and confidence are celebrated openly.



Traditional songs preserve history, while dances and fashion showcase the richness of Tigrayan culture.

Families and communities warmly welcome the celebrations with food, gifts, and blessings, strengthening bonds between generations and neighbors. The festival also highlights the importance of unity, resilience, and cultural pride. In recent years, Ashenda has gained international attention for its colorful traditions and empowering spirit. Yet beyond the beauty lies a deeper meaning: the celebration of womanhood, community, and hope.

Like the green ashenda grass that blooms after the rain, the festival represents life, renewal, and the enduring spirit of the people of Tigray.

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BALE MOUNTAINS WILD COFFEE



Danida Green Business Partnerships have funded the project “Bale Wild – Market Development for Organic Wild Certified Forest Coffee”, which has resulted in the first bags of Bale Mountains Wild Coffee now being exported to European markets.



Congratulations to the project partners: Original Food Germany, Original Food Switzerland, Burka Yadot Farmers’ Cooperative Union, Garen Bale Participatory Forest Management Union, and Caritas Switzerland. The project aims to enhance sustainability across the value chain of organically wild-harvested forest coffee, while increasing smallholder farmers’ incomes by connecting them with foreign consumers seeking deforestation-free coffee.

With access to international markets, the involved Ethiopian smallholder farmers now benefit from improved income opportunities and stronger incentives to conserve the unique forest ecosystems of the Bale Mountains. Danida Green Business Partnerships is a challenge fund supporting market-driven green transition and inclusive economic growth in developing countries. The fund prioritises climate action and environmental protection, with at least 80% of its financing dedicated to climate and environmental objectives through market-driven solutions.

Source and Photo Credit: Caritas Switzerland

POWERING A NEW ERA OF TECH-ENABLED DELIVERY IN ETHIOPIA



Garri Logistics is emerging as a forward-thinking logistics company focused on transforming how goods move across Ethiopia through technology, efficiency, and reliability. In a fast-growing economy where timely delivery and supply chain transparency are becoming increasingly important, Garri Logistics positions itself as a modern solution built for today's digital commerce environment.

At its core, the company integrates technology into traditional logistics operations. Through smart routing systems, real-time tracking, and data-driven dispatching, Garri Logistics aims to reduce delivery delays and improve coordination between senders, drivers, and customers. This tech-enabled approach not only increases speed but also enhances visibility across the entire delivery chain.

One of the company's key strengths is its expanding coverage network, reaching hundreds of urban and semi-urban areas. This wide operational footprint helps businesses—especially small and medium enterprises—access reliable distribution channels without the usual logistical barriers.

Garri Logistics also emphasizes customer experience. From user-friendly digital platforms to responsive support systems, the company is building a service model centered on trust, transparency, and accountability.

As Ethiopia's e-commerce and retail sectors continue to grow, logistics providers like Garri are becoming essential infrastructure. By combining technology with practical delivery solutions, Garri Logistics is contributing to a more connected, efficient, and accessible marketplace for businesses and consumers alike.

GENFO



INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup wheat flour
- 1 cup barley flour
- 1–2 cups water (as needed)
- Salt to taste
- 4 tbsp kibbeh (clarified butter)
- 1 tbsp berbere
- Yogurt or sour cream (optional)

METHOD:

Sift wheat and barley flour together.

Dry roast the flour in a pan over low heat, stirring often until it smells nutty.

Boil 1–2 cups of water in a pot.

Add salt and 1 tsp kibbeh.

Slowly add the roasted flour while stirring continuously to avoid lumps.

Keep stirring and mash the mixture against the sides of the pot until it becomes thick and smooth.

Add a little water if needed.

Once it becomes very thick, transfer it into a bowl greased with kibbeh. Shape it into a round form.

Make a small hole in the center. Add melted kibbeh and berbere, then mix lightly inside the center.

Add yogurt or sour cream around the edges if desired.

Serve warm and enjoy—traditionally eaten with hands or a spoon, sharing from the center.

A DELIGHTFUL LUNCH EXPERIENCE AT TAZA GREENS

By Rachel Berhane Araya

Recently, I had the pleasure of visiting Taza Greens for lunch after being invited by my cousin Sami Kebede. I also went together with my friend Dename Debero, and from the moment we arrived, the experience was warm and memorable. We were welcomed with their famous butterfly pea flower tea that magically changed into red-purple once honey was added. The drink had a unique flavor that slightly reminded me of traditional Ethiopian areke local alcohol, making it both exciting and refreshing.

For lunch, we enjoyed a delicious variety of Ethiopian dishes. The Key Sega Wet (red spicy meat stew) was rich, flavorful, and perfectly seasoned. The Alecha Sega Wet (yellow meat stew) was mild yet very tasty, while the Kuantu Firfir prepared with dried meat stew mixed with injera was absolutely satisfying and authentic. Every dish was carefully prepared and beautifully presented.

What made the experience even more special was the hospitality of the owner, Menen, who treated customers with kindness and professionalism. The waiters were also attentive, friendly, and made us feel comfortable throughout our visit. The atmosphere of the restaurant was relaxing and welcoming, making it a perfect place for lunch with friends and family.

Although we visited during lunchtime, I also heard that their breakfast is one of the best experiences to try in Addis Ababa. Overall, the experience was excellent, and I highly recommend Taza Greens to anyone looking for quality Ethiopian food, healthy dining, and outstanding service.



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Website: [Taza Greens Official Website](https://www.tazagreens.com)

ONE STITCH AT A TIME

BY GILLIAN OKOMBO



"I enjoy creating things with my hands."

In a world racing toward automation, Kirubel Alebachew chooses to slow it down. The Ethiopian designer behind the brand DRI፳, a name that speaks to rebirth, bringing something once disregarded back to life, is a self-taught bag designer grounded in the discipline of 'making by hand'.

Just under two years in, he's built something worth noticing. Every bag is hand-stitched, a process that demands patience and precision. It's not about speed. It's about care. Every stitch matters, every detail is deliberate.

His designs come from everyday Ethiopian life, its rhythms, colors, and practicality. Nothing feels forced. The balance between function and form is clean and considered. Bags that feel like yours before you even pick them up.

What sets DRI፳ apart is honesty. Kirubel didn't train for this. He learned by doing, repeating, getting it wrong, then right. That shows in the work.

He's not chasing trends. He watches, adapts, but stays rooted in his own approach, shaped by culture, utility, and instinct.

"The first time I knew this is something I could do was when someone paid for a bag I had made."

To carry a DRI፳ bag is to carry time, effort, and a story stitched by hand, quite literally.

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BETHLEHEM ALEMU; ARISE WOMAN OF IMPACT

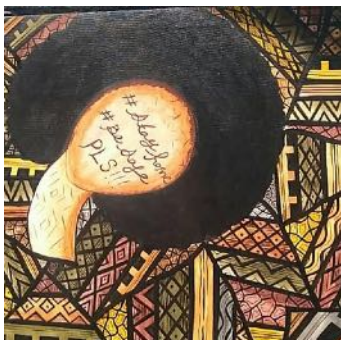
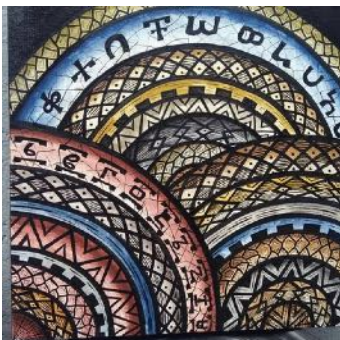
Bethlehem Tilahun Alemu, the Ethiopian entrepreneur behind global footwear brand soleRebels, has been named among 100 of Africa's most accomplished and influential women honored at the ARISE Africa Women of Impact Awards on International Women's Day this year.

The recognition places Bethlehem alongside an elite cross-section of African leaders from Nigeria, South Africa, Kenya, Zimbabwe, Mauritius, Sudan, Côte d'Ivoire, and Niger, spanning governance, business, law, healthcare, technology, and creative industries. The ARISE honor adds to an extensive list of international accolades Bethlehem has accumulated over two decades of entrepreneurship.

Bethlehem founded soleRebels in 2005 in the Zenebework area of Addis Ababa, drawing on her community's artisan traditions and Ethiopia's heritage of recycled tire-soled foot wear. The company has grown into Africa's largest footwear brand, distributing to 55 countries through partnerships with Whole Foods, Urban Outfitters, and Amazon, with company-owned stores across multiple continents.

Her business philosophy centers on creating "world class jobs" and shifting the discourse on African development from poverty alleviation to prosperity creation driven by local talent and resources. She was the first female African entrepreneur to address the Clinton Global Initiative and has advised the World Bank and UN on trade policy.

Bethlehem has expanded into multiple ventures including Garden of Coffee, which CNN called "Africa's answer to Starbucks," The Republic of Leather, payment platform Giza Digital, and food brand TeffTastic. In May 2021, she launched Selam Bank with US\$116.3 million in capital, aiming to "create the largest generation of homeowners in Ethiopian history". Through her Made by Ethiopia public-private partnership, Bethlehem has helped create over 100,000 jobs and generated more than US\$1 billion in export revenue.



DISCOVER THE WORLD OF YORDI'S ART

by Arabella Stewart

Yordanos Abate is a creative and talented artist with a distinctive style and passion for vibrant design. Mostly self-taught she has developed the artistic skill of creating the most exquisite designs that she paints on pottery, trays, furnishings as well as wooden boxes, clay bells, cups and pendants.

She hand-paints varied and colourful designs on existing items and then glazes the objects, which make beautiful accessories for any home. She also takes commissions to paint any personal item you already have and would like illustrated. Yordi has even been commissioned to paint a violin!

In addition to modern designs, Yordi also creates handmade Ethiopian cultural serving trays, carefully hand-painted with traditional designs. Each piece is unique and made with attention to detail.

If you're looking for something authentic and meaningful, contact Yordi directly. She also sells her items at many of the artisan bazaars. All her products are durable and made to the highest quality. Rest assured that the bright vibrant colours do not fade.

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THE FLAGSHIP CAFE GALANI, JACROS

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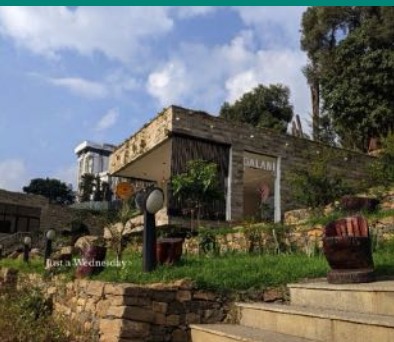
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RANDOM OBSERVATIONS ON THE CITY

THE ART OF THE ADDIS CAFÉ: MORE THAN JUST A MACCHIATO

by Tesfa Teshome

By mid-afternoon, the rhythm of an Addis café shifts. Laptops appear alongside macchiatos, and the space transforms: it becomes a boardroom, a creative studio, and a sanctuary from the city's bustle.

We've all been there, mentally weighing the bill against the experience. Yet, the tables remain full, and for good reason. Today's cafés in Addis have mastered the business of atmosphere. They no longer compete solely on the quality of their roast, but on their identity, design, and the unique sense of belonging they provide.

Whether we are networking, brainstorming, or simply observing the city in motion, these spaces have become the informal hubs of our professional and social lives. They are the stages where our daily narratives unfold.

While the cost of a coffee might occasionally spark a conversation, we consistently choose these spaces because they offer something rare: a curated environment that fosters connection. As our city grows and modernizes, these cafés have evolved into essential community pillars. They aren't just serving drinks; they are hosting the heartbeat of Addis. And perhaps that is why, long after the coffee is gone, we aren't quite ready to leave.



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HAN'S WITH CARE: EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH INNOVATION

In Ethiopia, access to affordable menstrual and personal care products remains a challenge for many women and girls. Han's With Care Manufacturing is helping change that through sustainable and reusable solutions.

Founded by Ethiopian entrepreneur Hanan Ahmed Abdi, the company produces reusable sanitary pads, period underwear, and adult care products designed to support women's health while reducing environmental waste.

Many schoolgirls in Ethiopia miss classes due to lack of proper menstrual products. Han's With Care addresses this issue by offering affordable reusable options that help families save money and improve hygiene. The company also creates reusable adult diapers and incontinence products, supporting elderly individuals and people with special care needs.

By combining innovation, sustainability, and social impact, Han's With Care is becoming an inspiring example of Ethiopian entrepreneurship creating positive community change

SOURCES

hancare.com

[f6s.com](https://www.facebook.com/f6s.com)

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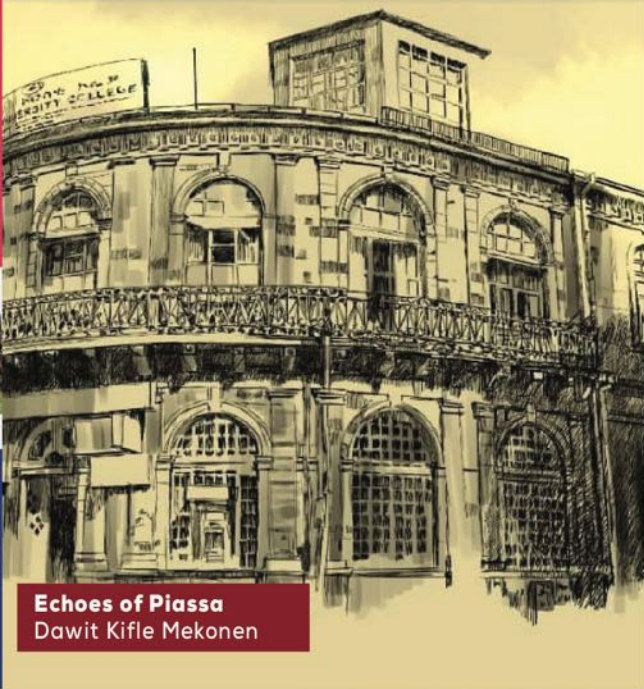
There are always things going on in Addis Ababa and if you have a cultural or other event that you would like highlighted please send an email by the 15th of the preceding month to

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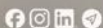
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Mall 1st floor,
Known for: Fast
Food and Burgers
7 days a week

BERLIN

0909 311111
Near Atlas Hotel
Known for:
Burgers &
Sandwiches
7 days a week/24
hrs

BH BURGER

0991 723835
0937 517326
Bole Road, 1st fl.
Parliamentarians
Apts.
Known for: Cheese
steak sandwiches
7 days a week

BURGER SHACK

093-215-5531
Around Wosen
Loki Kidus Michael
Bldg
Known for: Burgers
Closed Wednesday

CELAVIE

011 6 507433
Next to Zenbaba
Guest House, Bole
Brass
Known for:
Chicken burger
7 days a week

DUSK ADDIS ROOFTOP LOUNGE & COCKTAILS

0968 584185
Alem Gebre
Building, Gerji
Known for: Live
music
7 days a week

G BURGER

098 470 6001
Behind Sheger
Building
Known for:
Burgers
7 days a week

GRUB ON

0917 707070/
0960 313131
Djibouti St. Near
new stadium
Known for:
Burgers
7 days a week

IN JOY BURGER

0936 638787
Medhanielem Bldg,
Bole
& other branches
Known for:
Chicken burger
7 days a week

LA NOUVELLE

0929 930200
1 | Bole, behind
Millennium Hall
Known for:
Sandwiches,
Combos
7 days a week
2 | Kebena, in front
of Indiana School
Closed Mondays

LELA SISHU

0908 020202
Kelsam Bldg,
Mickey Leland St.

Known for: Burgers
& Desserts
Closed Mondays

LEMON BAR & GRILL

Golden Tulip Hotel
+251 11 617 0740
behind Berhane
Adere Building
Known for: Roast
Chicken
7 days a week

PARKDALE BURGER

093 975 7575
Bole Rd | behind
DH Geda Tow
Known for: Fast
Food, Grills
7 days a week

RODEO

0911 246320
0911 212103
Bole opposit Shoa
Supermarket
Known for: BBQ
7 days a week

ROOMIE BURGER

0115504727
Piassa Churchill
Area
Known for: Burgers
and Pizzas (24/7)
7 days a week

SAVOR ADDIS

011 667 0656
Behind Flamingo
Known for: Wood
Fired Pizzas, Grilled
Burgers and
Sunday Brunch
7 days a week

SISHU

092-006-1063 /
093-003-4150
Opposite Kera,
behind Worke's
Promise Building.
Known for:
Burgers
Closed Mondays

SOSHA

0933 424242
Medhanielem
towards Millennium
Known for: Vegan
Sandwich
7 days a week

THE DOSE

0970 104444
Next to Warka
Tower, Bole
Known for: Hot
dog sandwich
7 days a week

ARMENIAN

ALADDIN

011 661 4109
By Laptho Mall
Known for: Grilled
meat, humus,
taboulleh
Closed Sundays

ARMENIAN (ARARAT) CLUB

011 111 3572
Amist Kilo, behind
Armenian
Church on
Tewodros Street
Known for: Mezze
& Shish Kebab
Opens at 5:30 pm
Closed Sundays

ASIAN

ARIRANG

011 320 4606
1 | Mauritania St.

By Ring Road
Known for: Korean,
Japanese
7 days a week

ARIRANG 2

MASIRANG
011 320 4606
Mekanisa, near
Korean Embassy
Known for: Asian
Brunch
7 days a week

EATNSEE

0926 226988
Bole Japan, inside
GANGNAM
KOREAN
Known for: Mango
Bingsu, & Korean
mini-mart
7 days a week

HANOI HANNA

0995 301679
Bole Japan behind
Chinese market
at Japan Condo-
miniums
Known for:
Vietnamese Pho,
Bánh Mì,
Noodle Bowl, &
Fried Noodles
Closed Mondays

HOTTO

0903 475477
Known for
Japanese inspired
Asian fusion
The Place Building
Closed on Sundays

JADE

Sheraton
011 517 1717
Known for:
Pan-Asian culinary
experience
7 days a week

KAZ

0986 833333
0987 933333
Rebtek Apts
Behind Friendship
Park
Known for: Sushi,
Japanese fusion
Closed Mondays

KOKORO

0985 022222
Namibia St.
opposite Tomoca
Known for:
Japanese food

SICHUAN

0911 603926
Cote d'Ivoire
Street, Balderas
Known for: Spicy
Chinese dishes
7 days a week

TIAN TIAN CHINESE RESTAURANT

0913 548888
1/Bole Medhani-
alem,
2/Friendship
Supermarket,
3/Bisrate Gebriel
Known for: Soup &
noodles
7 days a week

THE ORIENTAL

Hyatt Regency
+251 115 17 1234
Meskel Square
Known for:
Western BBQ,
Asian bites
7 days a week

BRAZILIAN

FOGO NO CHAO

Ramada Hotel
011 6393939
Bole Road
Known for:
Churrascaria, rich
vegetarian
options
7 days a week

CAFES

BILO'S

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locations Lancha;
Arat Kilo; Gurd
Shola; Old Airport
Known for:
Delicious cakes
7 days a week

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around Bole
Shewa
Dabo or Wello
Sefer
Known for: coffee
7 days a week

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Near SAS
Pharmacy
Known for: French
pastries
7 days a week

COFFEECOLOGY

092 769 3071
Megenagna
Known for:
Dine-in, Takeaway
7 days a week

CUPCAKE DELIGHTS BAKERY

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0911 214645
Bole, opposite
Harmony Hotel
Known for:
Breakfast &
Brunch
7 days a week

ENITEWAWEK

0963 812959
Behind Bole Mega
Building
Known for:
Smoothie Bowls
& Creative Space
7 days a week

ENRICO'S PASTRY

(One of the oldest
Pastry Shops)
011 557-1490
Off Churchill Road
Known for:
Millefeuille, Cream
Puffs (Boxegna)
7 days a week

FRENCH BAKERY

(Pain d'epice)
0944 260136
Aware, opposite
German School
Known for:
Croissants,
Chocolate Cake
Closed Sundays

GALANI

0911 200186
1/Jackross,
MOPLACO coffee
factory
Known for: Ice

Cream & Garden
Closed Mondays
2/Lebu, Gara Mart
Known for: Coffee,
Light Lunch
7 days a week
3/Churchill, in front
of MiNT
Known for: Oven
Pizzas, Bread
7 days a week
4/Entoto ZOMA
Park
Known for: Library,
Lake View
Fridays – Sundays

GATEAU

0905 454647
Behind ICS,
Known for: Pastries
7 days a week

GATEAU | 2

0904 770000
Churchill Road,
next to Lycée
Known for: Pastries
7 days a week

GRAB & GO

Golden Tulip Hotel
011 6170740
Medhaniale area,
next to Mama's
Kitchen,
Known for: Caffé
Pastries and Bread
7 days a week

HILTON PASTRY & COFFEE SHOP

011 517 0000
Ext 839
Known for:
Spectacular Cakes
7 days a week

KALDI'S

0113714258
6 main locations:
2 around Bole
Medhaniale,
Old Airport, CMC,
Olympia, Kaliti and
many others
7 days a week

KOBA

0941 000022
1| Sandford
0900 989898
2| Atlas
0900 898989
3| Arat Kilo
Known for:
Handcrafted
Cakes, Pastéis de
Nata
7 days a week

LONDON CAFÉ

0980 483020
In front of Bole
Medhaniale
Known for: Pastries
7 days a week

MAMOKACHA COFFEE

011 668 5792
EU Road across
from Alexandria
Apts.
Known for:
Coffee, Waffles and
Brunch
7 days a week

MOYOS

0920 242442
Around Atlas Hotel
across from Yoly
Hotel
Known for:
Breakfast and fresh
juice
7 days a week

MUNCH GERMAN BAKERY

(Various locations)
0911 218534
Opposite
Canadian Embassy,
Sarbet
Known for:
German style
bakery and cafe
7 days a week

NATANI

011 662 4753
Bole Millennium
Known for:
Cheesecake
7 days a week

RAIZEL

0911 222043
Next to Cinema
Empire, Bole Road
Known for:
Sandwiches
7 days a week

THE GOAT

1| Bole
Medaniallem,
behind Adot
0973 800607
7 days a week
2| Kazanchis, near
Intercontinental
0937 077744
7 days a week
3| Urael, behind
2000 Habasha
Restaurant
7 days a week

THE MARKET

Hyatt Regency
011 517 1207
Known for: freshly
brewed Ethiopian
coffee, tea and
delicious pastries
7 days a week

TILLA

0946 701125
Kazanchis (across
from Bambis)
Known for:
Sandwiches,
Smoothie Bar with
healthy food
7 days a week

TRYST

0944 061818
Kazanchis next to
Elilly Hotel, & Atlas
in front of Shebta
Lounge
Known for:
Delicious
Sandwiches
7 days a week

TOMOCA

(Various locations)
011 111 2498
Incl, Churchill
Road, near Book
World, Atlas, Bole
Medhaniale
Known for: Variety
of coffee to buy
and/or drink
7 days a week

CONTINENTAL

ADDIS ABABA GOLF CLUB

0921 734176/
0911-573872
Old Airport
Known for:
BBQ on weekends
7 days a week

AMSTERDAM

0911 516178/
01186 81725
Bole Road, behind

Friendship
Known for:
European Food
7 days a week

ALL DAY DINING

011 667 3175/7822
Golagol
in front of
Aksum Hotel
Known for: Buffet
breakfast and
A la Carte Menu
7 days a week

CASCARA COFFEE & COCKTAILS

Hyatt Regency
011 517 1203
Known For:
coffee-flavored
cocktails
7 days a week

CHANOLY SMOOTHIE & NOODLES

0927 349509
(Many locations)
Bole behind
Friendship Hotel,
Meskel Flower
Road, Sarbet,
Summit plus
Known for:
Noodles & Salads
7 days a week

CENTER POINT REVOLVING RESTAURANT

InterContinental
011 550 5066
Kazanchis
Known for: Buffet,
European cuisine
7 days a week

CHOMA GRILL

0902 060708
Shola, Minarol
Building
Known for:
Grilled meat
7 days a week

CREMINO

0944 063338
Bole, Tropical Mall
Known for: Steak
and Cheese
7 days a week

ENTOTO

0963 639963
Bole Rd, corner of
Japan Res. Rd.
Known for:
Mediterranean/
Arabic vibe
7 days a week

EXCLUSIVE

0929 446238
Bole Medhaniale
Known for:
Steak House
7 days a week

FIVE LOAVES

0913 576818/
0911 222976
Opposite Indian
School, Kebena
Known for: Sunday
Brunch
7 days a week

GARDEN COURT HIBIR

011 662 0922/23
Bole in front of
Alem Building
Known for: Burgers
7 days a week

GAZEBO

Hilton

011 517 0000
Ext 953
Outdoor dining
beside the pool
Known for:
Sunday Brunch
7 days a week

GOLDEN PLATE
0975745252/
0980178210
Bole Medhanialem
Abyssinia Plaza
Known for: Fine
dining
7 days a week

**HILL BOTTOM
ADDIS**
011 896 4670/69
Ayat Roundabout
Known for: Brick
oven pizza
7 days a week

KORMA GRILL
090 588 8888
0905 787878
Bole Rwanda
Known for:
Grilled Steak
7 days a week

LES ARCADES
Sheraton
011 517 1717
Known for:
Gourmet cuisine
Bookings Only

**MAMA'S
KITCHEN**
0911 222133
0930 099356
Next to Golden
Tulip, Megenagna,
4Kilo, Unity Park &
Entoto Park
Known for: Grills
7 days a week

MARCUS ADDIS
0945 111111
CBE HQ Tower,
47th Fl.
Known for:
Ethiopian/
International
Fusion
7 days a week

MESKOTT
0903 879999
Arat Kilo
Known for:
International
cuisine & bar
7 days a week

OAK
011 146 74000
Dreamliner Hotel
Meskel Flower
Known for:
European dishes
7 days a week

PEACOCK
0911 222637
Behind Bole
Printing Press
Known for Steaks
7 days a week

PEPPER & SPICE
Bambis, around
Marriot Hotel
011 518 4600
Known for:
Mediterranean
cuisine
7 days a week

SUMMERFIELDS
Sheraton
011 517 1717
Ext.6089
Known for:

Hamburgers, buffet
and ice cream
7 days a week

**SKY STEAK
HOUSE**
011 467 4000
Dreamliner Hotel
Known for: Steak
7 days a week

**SKY STEAK
HOUSE**
011 651 1573/77
0911 100155
Up the hill from
Megenagna
Roundabout,
Known for: Pasta/
continental dishes
7 days a week

UNION
0903 377488
Meskel Square,
inside Addis Ababa
Museum
Known for:
Mixed Grill
7 days a week

VERRES EN VERS
Radisson Blu
0982 092182
011 515 7600
Kazanchis
Known for: Buffet
and à la carte
dishes French
Brasserie style
7 days a week

**VILLA VERDE
LOUNGE**
0929 115937
Behind ICS next
to Gateau
Known for:
Brunch, Pizza
7 days a week

ETHIOPIAN

AKKOO COFFEE
0905 828282
Churchill Avenue,
Piazza
Milkomi City
Complex, Bole
Next to Post
Office, Kazanchis
Known for: Bula
firfir
7 day a week

**CHAKA
COFFEE**
0953 459258
Stadium, Bole
Friendship &
Morning Star
Building
Known for: Fresh
coffee and tasty
breakfast

DASHEN TERARA
0911 201723
last road to the
right,
Golagul end of
Togo Street,
Known for: National
food, garden
7 days a week

DONATELA
011 668 4444
Bole Atlas
Rakan Building
3rd floor
Known for: Fusion,
Ethiopian, African
dishes
Closed Sundays

**FAFRESH
CULTURAL
KITCHEN**

0910 790038
In front of Getu
Commercial Bldg,
Dembel
Known for: Kitfo
varieties
7 days a week

2000 HABESHA
011 618 2253/58
Bole Atlas
Known for:
National food &
traditional dance
7 days a week

KATEGNA
0913 552762
0911 126460
Bole Medhanialem
Known For:
Quwanta firfir
7 days a week

KORMA GRILL
0905 888888
Near Rwanda
Embassy,
In front of
Washington
Hospital
Known for: Grilled
beef ribs
7 days a week

**MESTI
RESTAURANT**
0902 262222
22 Mazoriya, near
Mulmul Bakery
Known for: Quanta
Firfir, Ageligil
7 days a week

**SINKENESH
FISH**
0902 606060
Cape Verde St.
Bole Rwanda

TABLE 5
0904 020712
In front of Grand
Palace Hotel,
Kazanchis
Known for: Chikna
tibs
7 days a week

**VELVET
RESTAURANT &
LOUNGE**
011 663 5920
T.K. Bldg Bole, in
front of Skylight
Hotel
Known for:
seasoned chicken,
beef and fish
7 days a week

WERKA COFFEE
0976 367474 next
to Mekonnen
special Sumit
0938 807070 Bole
0994 292929
behind Mana Bldg,
Sumit
Known for: Kitfo
7 days a week

**YILMA
RESTAURANT**
0911 070707
Near Atlas traffic
lights
Known for: Grilled
meat
7 days a week

YOD ABYSSINIA
011 661 2985 /
011 372 0607

Bole Medhanialem,
Old Airport &
Sahlite Mihiret
Known for:
Traditional food
and dancing
Closed Mondays

ZEN
0980 193313
Olompia, House
220
Known for:
Ethiopian,
European & Middle
Eastern dishes
7 days a week

FRENCH

LA MAISON
0911 472830
Mickey Leland St,
last turn on the
right before Atlas
Crossroads
Known for: Sunday
Brunch, Garden
7 days a week

LOUVRE
0970 800000
Togo Street,
Across from Misrak
Technical School
Known for: French
menu & courtyards
7 days a week

LA MANDOLINE
0921 328507
Near British
Embassy
Cote d'Ivoire St.
Known for: Risotto,
pork dishes
Closed Tuesdays

PARIS
0960 230000
0911 528585
In front of Caravan
Hotel Chichinya
Known for: French
& African dishes
7 days a week

GERMAN

BEER GARDEN
011 618 2595/91
Behind Edna Mall
Known for: Home
brewed beer and
European dishes
Closed Mondays
Except the Bar

GREEK

GREEK CLUB
011 553 0485
Off Olympia Road,
further down from
Greek School
Known for:
Moussaka, Souvlaki
7 days a week

ICE CREAM

**EMBWA
CREAMERY**
0911 209838
Kera in Sishu
compound, &
Carl Square
crossroad
Closed Mondays

**GELATERIA ICE
DREAM**
0929 902810
Lebu Commercial
Center
Known for: Vegan

Ice cream
7 days a week

IGLOO

0944 100323
Olympia and
Japan Market
7 days a week

TUTTO GELATO

092 9923503
0944 349495/96/
97/98/99
Bole Atlas,
Sarbet, Century
Mall, CMC Michael
& DZ Kuriftu
Known for:
Ice cream
7 days a week

INDIAN

KONARK

0966 333929
Bole, Behind
DH-Geda Bldg.
Known for:
Paneers and Dals
7 days a week

NAMASTE ADDIS

0904 139838
0926 102455
Behind Bole
Medhanialem
Known for: South
Indian dishes
7 days a week

OM INDIAN BISTRO

0944 443344
Mohan Block, off
Zimbabwe Street
Known for:
Vegetarian
Indian food
Closed Sundays

SANGAM'S

(Oldest Indian
restaurant)
0911 214183
0953 407297
Behind Bole
Printing press
Known for:
Tandori Chicken
and Garlic Naan
7 days a week

SHAHEEN

Sheraton
011 517 1717
Ext.6098
Known for: Live
cooking and
delicate Indian
flavors
7 days a week

ZAICA

011 467 4000
Dreamliner Hotel,
Meskel Flower
Road
Known for: Curries
7 days a week

ITALIAN

ANDIAMO

0930 362586
Opposite Kera,
behind Worke's
Promise Building.
Known for: Pizza
7 days a week

ANTICA

011 663 4841
011 661 5815
Between EU Road
and Bole Road
Known for:
Brick oven pizza
7 days a week

AVANTI

0911 522660
Bole near
Millennium Hall
Known for: Ravioli
Closed Sundays

BELVEDERE

0912 639280
New stadium in
front of Asham TV
& Kazanchis/ECA
Known for: Italian,
European and
Mediterranean
dishes
Closed Mondays

BETTUCCI

0991 162244
Behind Vatican
Embassy
inside Alem Village
Known for: Pizza,
pasta, garden
Closed Mondays

CASTELLI'S

011 157 1757
011 156 3580
Piassa near Adwa
Known for: Pasta &
Salad Bar
Closed Sundays

CRAVE

011 557 4853
Meskel Flower
Road in front of
Chanoly
Known For: Italian
dishes
7 days a week

DOK

0979 910154
Top View,
Megenagna
Known for: Garden
7 days a week

GUSTO

0934 497861
Old Airport,
opposite
Botswana
Embassy,
Known for:
Seafood &
Desserts
7 days a week

LINDA

0911 219729
Inside Club
Juventus, behind
Meskel Square
Known for: Pasta
Closed Mondays

M.C. WINE BAR GRILL & PIZZERIA

0911 253265
Juventus Sports
Club,
Known for: Brick
Oven Pizzas
7 days a week

MAMMA MIA

0929 002218
By old tobacco
factory, near AU
HQ
Known for:
Homemade Pasta
Closed Sundays

OLIVE & BREAD

0979 793132
Opposite Sandford
School
Known for:
Courtyard Dining
7 days a week
PIO GASTRO
0900 622800
Beklobet, Debre
Zeit Road
Known for:

Hidden gem &
Penne All Ortana
7 days a week

SALE E PEPE

0921 248888
Kebena
Known for: Pasta
and pizza
Closed Mondays

STAGIONI

Sheraton
011 517 1717
Known for:
Starters, mains
& ambience
7 days a week

TINYTALIAN

Skylight
0116818181
Known for:
Trattoria
ambience,
Italian wines, al
fresco dining
7 days a week

THE FOOD BOUTIQUE

0911 209274
Old Airport, NOC
Building, First
floor
Known for: Pastas
and Pizza
7 days a week

VACCARI

0929 327238
Near Caravan
Hotel,
Haya Hulet
Known for:
Antipasto,
Pasta and fish
7 days a week

MEXICAN

LA MORENA

0912 500761
Sarbet next to the
Blue Hen
Known for:
Burritos &
Quesadillas
7 days a week

TE AMO TACOS

0901 672063
0903 184701
Kazanchis next to
Belvedere
Restaurant
1 block from Elilly
hotel
Known for: Latino
music & dancing
Closed Sundays

MIDDLE EASTERN

ALLEBNANY

0911 515374
Bole, Kokeb
Building
Known for:
Lebanese dishes
7 days a week

BAB AL-YEMEN

0907 01111
Bole Rwanda
Known for:
Yemeni Dishes
7 days a week

BATI AL MANDI

0911 518903
Mickey Leland/ EU
Street, across
from Yoly Building
Known for: Middle
Eastern food
7 days a week

HI FALAFEL

0917 700644
Betel & Torhailoch
(Omega High
School)
Known for: Falafel
Wraps
7 days a week

JEGOL

Skylight
0116818181
Known for: Exotic
flavors & aromas
Closed Mondays

SAN'AA

0912 108054
Olympia, Gazebo
Adebabay
Known for:
Delicious food
7 days a week

THE KITCHEN

Hyatt Regency
011 517 1205
Known for:
Lavantine Cuisine
7 days a week

PIZZA

BELLA PASTA & PIZZA

0911 380606
1| Bistrate Gebriel
In front of South
African Embassy
2| Jacros
3| Bole
Known for: Pizza
7 days a week

EFFOI

011 849 3647
Atlas, Kazanchis,
Sarbet
Known for:
Unique
combinations
7 days a week

MOKODO PIZZA

0911 439524
1| Bole Airport Next
to Aviation School
Known for: Pizza
Closed Tuesdays
2| Around Bole
Friendship
7 days a week

ROMINA

0911 214335
British Embassy,
Summit
Known for: Pizza
7 days a week

YUMMY PIZZA

0911 472598
0911 220100
On Bole Road to
Japan Residence
Known for: Home
delivery (around
Bole)
7 days a week

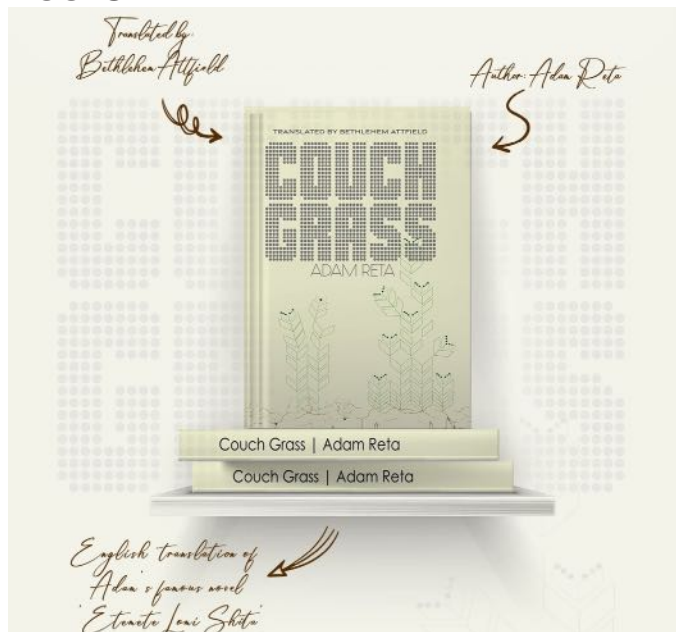
TURKISH

ISTANBUL

0910 174728
Bole Edna Mall near
Ukraine Embassy
Known for:
Turkish food
7 days a week

PAMUKKALE

0910 964530
Bole Brass, next
to Medhanialem
Church
Known for:
Mediterranean,
Turkish, Middle
Eastern
7 days a week



WHERE WORDS MEET LEGACY:

FIDESA LITERARY AND LITTMANN BOOKS LAUNCH NEW ERA OF ETHIOPIAN PUBLISHING



Fidesa Literary and Littmann Books have announced a strategic partnership aimed at strengthening Ethiopia's literary landscape and expanding access to both local and international works. The collaboration unites Fidesa Literary, a platform dedicated to promoting Ethiopian writers and storytelling, with Littmann Books, an independent Addis Ababa bookstore known for its curated selection and active reader engagement.

Together, the two institutions aim to build more inclusive literary spaces where readers can easily discover Ethiopian voices alongside global literature. Their shared vision includes improving book accessibility, organizing literary events, and fostering dialogue between authors, publishers, and readers. A key focus of the partnership is also encouraging young readers and supporting emerging Ethiopian writers.

The first publication under this collaboration is Couch Grass by Couch Grass, written by Adam Reta and translated into English by Bethlehem Attfield, helping the work reach a wider international audience.

Fidesa Literary will primarily support international distribution and online visibility, while Littmann Books will serve as a key local hub for physical access and Ethiopian titles.

For press inquiries: press@fidessaliterary.com



ETHIOPIAN AUTHOR HIWOT WALELIGN WORKNEH



The young adult novel entitled “While Waiting for September”, is the second book by Ethiopian author Hiwot Walelign Workneh. Born in Addis Ababa, Hiwot Walelign is passionate about literature. Her debut work, *Somebody's Daughter*, is the national prizewinner of Burt Awards for Ethiopian Young Adult Literature.

With Ethiopian settings, characters and themes, it is written for teenagers. After years of sharing classrooms from elementary school through high school without truly knowing each other, two classmates finally connect following their high school exit examination. Brought together by a shared friend’s birthday, they begin their friendship that deepens over the summer as they wait for their exam results, coming out in September. Through honest conversations and shared experiences, they open up about their interests, fears, hopes, family lives, and hidden traumas. As they slowly step out of their shells, they begin to understand that their past struggles do not have to define their future. Their growing confidence and closeness inspire them to push beyond familiar limits, embracing freedom, adventure, and new possibilities. But this newfound boldness tests their bond, bringing them dangerously close to losing each other. By September, a season of new beginnings, they emerge transformed, carrying with them the resilience, courage, and hope to face whatever comes next—together.

“Somebody's Daughter” is a story of a little girl, growing up in poverty, destined to be a housemaid. With no academic qualifications and with no relatives to turn to, the young housemaid, Kassina, has no option but to live with her abusive employer – until fate turns the table upside down.

Hiwot aspires to be an accomplished novelist in the future. She currently lives in Addis Ababa with her husband and two sons and is a PhD candidate in English Literature at Addis Ababa university.

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ETHIOPIAN YOUTH WIN BIG AT INTERNATIONAL ROBOTICS CHAMPIONSHIP

Ethiopian youth have delivered an outstanding performance at the International Youth Robotics and Artificial Intelligence Championship, held at Lawrence Technological University in Michigan, USA.

Competing against 738 teams from 39 technologically advanced countries, the Ethiopian delegation stood out with impressive results across multiple categories. The team secured 1st place in the People's Choice Award, showing strong public support and global recognition for their creativity and teamwork. Beyond that major win, the competitors also achieved 5th place in the Medical Robotics category and 6th place in the Innovation Exhibition, highlighting their technical skills and innovative problem-solving abilities.

This success adds to Ethiopia's growing presence in global robotics competitions. Just last month, Ethiopian youth also earned 2nd place at the International Minoan Robotics Championship in Greece, further strengthening their reputation in the field of science and technology. These back-to-back achievements are being seen as a rising signal of Ethiopia's expanding potential in robotics, AI, and STEM innovation on the world stage.

Sources: <https://web.facebook.com/africandiasporainternational>
<https://africandiasporainternational.org/>





BRINGING PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES

CLOSER TO THE COMMUNITY

In today's busy world, keeping homes, cars, and personal items clean can be challenging. That is why professional cleaning businesses are becoming increasingly important. One such growing service provider is Polish Cleaning Services, a company dedicated to delivering reliable and high-quality cleaning solutions for both households and individuals.

Located in the Hayahulet area near Axum Hotel, in front of Arsho Clinic, Polish Cleaning Services offers a wide range of professional cleaning options designed to make everyday life easier. Their services include car wash and detailing, carpet cleaning, shoes cleaning, clothes cleaning, and sofa cleaning. By combining modern cleaning methods with attention to detail, the company aims to provide customers with fresh, hygienic, and well-maintained belongings.

One of the standout services offered by the company is car wash and detailing. Beyond a regular wash, detailing helps restore the beauty and cleanliness of vehicles, both inside and outside. Their carpet and sofa cleaning services also help remove dust, stains, and allergens, creating healthier living environments for families and workplaces. In addition, Polish Cleaning Services understands the importance of caring for personal items such as shoes and clothing. Their specialized cleaning methods help extend the life and appearance of these items while saving customers valuable time and effort. As cleanliness and hygiene continue to play a major role in everyday life, businesses like Polish Cleaning Services are helping communities maintain comfort, convenience, and confidence. Their commitment to customer satisfaction and professional care makes them a valuable addition to Addis Ababa's growing service industry.

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0967-647112*



SUMMER 2026: FAMILY ADVENTURES AWAIT IN ADDIS ABABA

As the summer months of June and July 2026 arrive, Addis Ababa is blossoming into an exciting playground for families and children. The city is introducing fresh, engaging experiences that combine fun, learning, and outdoor adventure—making it an ideal season for families to explore together.

Among the newest highlights is the Ethio-Korea Friendship Park, a beautifully designed green space that offers a modern playground and relaxing areas for families. It's a perfect spot for children to play freely while parents enjoy the calm, landscaped surroundings. Equally exciting is Kids World Addis Playground, a vibrant destination featuring electric ride-on toys, colorful fountains, and illuminated play areas that bring evenings to life.

For families seeking structured activities, summer camps and educational programs are in full swing. Cambridge Academy hosts a dynamic summer camp with activities ranging from swimming and robotics to cooking and horse riding.



Meanwhile, the AddisCoder program empowers high school students through an intensive coding and algorithm course, while the Ethiopian Space Science and Geo-spatial Institute offers fascinating workshops, including Mars exploration challenges for curious young minds.

Outdoor lovers can head to Entoto Adventure Park for zip-lining, biking, and scenic hiking trails, or explore the educational and cultural richness of Unity Park. For a quieter escape, Gullele Botanical Garden provides peaceful nature walks, while a day trip to Wenchi Crater Lake offers unforgettable views, horseback riding, and boat adventures.

This summer, Addis Ababa invites families to discover, learn, and create lasting memories—one adventure at a time.

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**THEME:****One Africa, One People:**

Uniting Culture, Innovation, and Enterprise for a Shared Prosperous Future.

VENUE:African Union **DATE:**

10th – 15th November, 2026

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Africa Celebrates, in collaboration with its esteemed partners, is delighted to announce the official opening for 2026 participation.

With the theme “One Africa, One People: Uniting Culture, Innovation and Enterprise for a Shared Prosperous Future,” the world’s largest Pan-African celebration will take place at the African Union, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 10–15 November 2026.

Building on the success of the 2025 edition, which welcomed participants from 43 African countries, the African diaspora, and people of African descent from 15 countries, the 2026 edition promises to be even bigger and more impactful.

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ADDIS FIKIR: A MODERN LOVE LETTER TO ADDIS ABABA



Addis Fikir (translated as Addis Love) is an Ethiopian limited television series that captures the emotional and social realities of life in modern Addis Ababa. Produced by WAG Entertainment and created by Besufekade Mulu, the seven-episode anthology explores themes of identity, love, ambition, grief, family, and change through interconnected stories set in Ethiopia's rapidly evolving capital city.

Each episode follows different characters navigating the pressures and beauty of urban life. From Abraham, a struggling inventor trying to provide for his son, to Negisti, a young woman whose online persona suddenly turns her into a social media sensation, the series presents relatable and deeply human stories. Other episodes focus on relationships, artistic struggles, family tensions, and the emotional impact of changing traditions in contemporary Ethiopian society.

What makes Addis Fikir unique is its authentic portrayal of Addis Ababa and its people. The show reflects the city's constant transformation while highlighting the emotional challenges faced by a generation caught between tradition and modernity. Through strong storytelling, talented directors, and a diverse cast, the series offers viewers a cinematic experience rooted in Ethiopian culture yet universal in emotion.

Produced in Amharic with English subtitles, Addis Fikir stands as an important step forward for Ethiopian television and storytelling on an international level. The series also received international recognition after winning Best Indigenous Language Series (East Africa) at the African Magic Viewers' Choice Awards (AMVCA) held in Lagos, Nigeria, in May 2026.

ART CENTERS, GALLERIES & ENTERTAINMENT IN ADDIS ABABA

ART GALLERIES

ADDIS FINE ART
0980 635696
Bole Atlas, Noah
Centrum Apts.

ALLE SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS
011 123 2832
Open to the public
during exhibitions
Arat Kilo/ Entoto
Park

GEBRE KRISTOS DESTA CENTER
Modern Art
Museum
Opposite AAU
Main Gate

HALETA ART STUDIO
0913013510
Hyat,
Keberdemena
St. Mary Church

KIKUNDI
0944222333
Hilt

LAPHTO ART GALLERY
0911 881814
Laphto Mall,
OldAirport

MAKUSH GALLERY
0911 418602
Bole Road, Mega
Building

ST. GEORGE INTERIOR DECORATION AND ART
011 551 0983
Below Sheraton
Addis

ST. GEORGE GOLLA GALLERY
0955 401236
inside Golla Park,
uphill from
Immigration,
Beside Golla
Michael Church
Closed Mondays

STUDIO 11
0909 999333
0931 311044
Zemilo Hotel Apts,
1st Fl.
Opp. Millennium
Hall
Closed Mondays

CULTURAL CENTRES

ADDIS HOUSE OF CULTURE
0970 113039
inside the National
Palace

ALLIANCE ETHIO-FRANCAISE
0965 166416
allianceaddis.org

BRITISH COUNCIL
0911 512835
ethiopia.british-
council.org

GOETHE INSTITUT
0911 208 515
info-addis@-
goethe.de /

ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE

011 155 3427
iicaddisabeba@es-
teri.it

FRENCH CENTRE FOR ETHIOPIAN STUDIES
011 123 4767

THE URBAN CENTER
0913 679201
In front of
Estifanos Church
Behind Village
Café, Meskel Sq.

LIBRARY

ABRHOT LIBRARY
Arat Kilo
In front of
Friendship Park2

MUSEUMS

ADDIS ABABA MUSEUM
Behind Meskel
Square

INSTITUTE OF ETHIOPIAN STUDIES (IES) & ETHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM
Inside AAU Main
Campus
Sidist Kilo

NATIONAL MUSEUM (LUCY)
Amist Kilo
011 111 7150

POST OFFICE MUSEUM
Main Post Office

RED TERROR MUSEUM
Meskel
Square/Bole Road

SCIENCE & ART MUSEUM
Opposite Unity
Park

THE AFRICA UNBOUND MUSEUM
0928 280828
Mundy St. near
Friendship Park
Closed Sundays &
Mondays

THE ZOOLOGICAL NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM
011 157 1677
AAU Natural
Sciences
Campus
By appointment

ZOMA MUSEUM
(private)
Mekanissa

CRAFT/ FASHION GALLERIES

AFRICAN MOSAIQUE
0978 110451
Shola-British
Embassy

CHILOTA
Hilton Hotel,
Next to Novis

HANUBET
0913712552
Sarbet Behind
Effoi Pizza

MUYA
0913 930885
Near Egyptian
Embassy

SALEM'S
0911 529682
Bole, behind
Yougo Church

SABAHAR
011 321 5112
Mekanissa
sabahar.com

SUZANNE'S
0912 613949
Old Airport

TRIO CRAFT PLC (RUGS)
0904 117983
Kadisco Nifassilk

CINEMAS

ALEM CINEMA
011 663 6718
Friendship
Building

CENTURY CINEMA
0987 202020
Century Mall,
Gurd Shola
info@centuryad-
dismall.com

GAST CINEMA
0930 113388
CMC train station
Gast Mall
cinema.gast-
mall.net

VAMDAS ENTERTAINMENT
0924 752437
Megenagna

CINEMA EMPIRE
Piazza
Churchill Road

ELIANA CINEMA
0926 080808
Piazza,
Churchill Road

ABYSINNIA CINEPLEX
Bole Medhani-
alem,
Impress Building

THEATRES

HAGER FIKIR THEATRE
011 112 4158
011 111 9820
Piazza
*One of the oldest
and foremost
theatres in
Ethiopian
history*

NATIONAL THEATRE
011 554 7696
Near Ethiopia
Hotel
*In 1956 the
Ethiopian
National Theater
was
built and
inaugurated
in the presence of
emperor Haile
Selassie
(1930-1974)*

AMBASSADOR THEATER
011 553 7637
Near Ethiopia
Hotel

CHILDREN AND YOUTH THEATER
011 112 8603
Arat Kilo

ARTIST ASSOCIATIONS

ETHIOPIAN VISUAL ARTISTS ASSOCIATION (EVAA)
0911 612767

ASSOCIATION OF ETHIOPIAN FEMALE ARTISTS (FORMERLY FOWA)
0911 145311

PARKS

UNITY PARK
unity park.et
Opposite Science &
Art Museum

FRIENDSHIP PARK 1
Opposite
Sheraton Addis

FRIENDSHIP PARK 2 (CHILDREN'S CENTER)
0933 598330
Opposite Abrhot
Library

AMBASSADOR PARK
Near Ambassador
Theatre

ADDIS ZOO PEACOCK PARK
Near Wollo Sefer
Roundabout

ADDIS ABABA PARK
Opposite UNECA &
Hilton Hotel

ST. GEORGE GOLA PARK
0911 210211
Around
Teklehaymanot

PARK BEHIND ST. ESTIFANOS CHURCH
Meskel Square
Opposite
Marriot Hotel

ENTOTO PARK
0918 450713
Entoto (5 entranc-
es)

Entrance 1
(Maya/Maryam
Gate) View Point

Entrance 2
(Sululta Gate)
Activities & Kuriftu
Glamping

Entrance 3
(Dil Ber/Addisu
Gebeya Gate)

Entrance 4
(Shiro Meda Gate)

Entrance 5
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011 667 8000/04/07
0919 198287

MALDO MEDICAL CENTER
6061
011 5 570488

NORDIC MEDICAL CENTRE (NME)
0929 105653

PARAGON PHYSIOTHERAPY & SPORTS MEDICINE SPECILAIZED CLINIC
0950 385838

SUISSE CLINIC
011 467 2047
011 416 1649

LABS

INTERNATIONAL CLINICAL LABORATORIES
011 552 9252

EYE CLINICS

SAM VISION OPTICAL WORKS
0946 130000

SAM VISION SPECIALIZED EYE CLINIC
0941 545454

SUN OPTICS
0911 220004

HOSPITALS

(Private)

ADDIS CARDIAC CENTER
0952 343434 /011
663 4740/41

BETHZATHA GENERAL HOSPITAL
011 551 4141

CURE INTERNATIONAL PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL
011 124 5404

HAYAT HOSPITAL BOLE LANDMARK
011 661 4250
011 552 5719

KADISCO GENERAL HOSPITAL
011 629 8904/02

MCM KOREAN ST. YARED
011 629 5421/27
011 645 4697/04

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0951 051393

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011 551 3205

BLACK LION
011 551 1211

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011 123 4272

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011 275 0125

YEKATIT 12
011 155 3065/68

ZEWDITU
011 551 8085

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BIO-DENTAL SPECIAL CLINIC
0944 318032

DR. EMEBET HIGHER SPECIAL DENTALCLINIC
011 618 1357

GOJEB DENTAL CLINIC
011 156 6521/ 011 156
6296

SENAKO DENTAL CLINIC
0935 207720
0912 477077

PHYSIO-THERAPY

KINO PHYSIO-THERAPY
0943000011
0116660045/47/48

PARAGON PHYSIOTHERAPY & SPORTS MEDICINE

UNION PHYSIOTHERAPY SPECIALITY CLINIC
0939 735665
0985 064347011
272 2829

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011 111 9266

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011 618 3335

WUDASSIE DIAGNOSTIC CENTER
011 157 4343

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011 371 3298

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0930 097757

GHION
011 551 8606

GISHEN
0930 106448

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0901 327732

LION
011 155 1893

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0911 665830

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0946 799399

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0911 247335
DR. DAWIT

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994

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990

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998

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EGYPT AIR
011 156 4493/4

EMIRATES
011 518 1818

ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES
011 665 6666

FLY DUBAI
011 066 70154

KENYA AIRWAYS
011 551 8400

QATAR AIRWAYS
011 554 4638

TURKISH AIRLINES
011 6662
7781/82

YEMENIA
011 551 5076

HOT MUSIC TABLE - 2026

June 9, - July 10, 2026

HOTTEST ARTISTS

			Radio	TV	Total Plays
1		Dawit Tsige	189	84	273
2		Neway Debebe	159	18	177
3		Michael Belayneh	125	25	150
4		Mastewal Eyayu	110	23	133
5		Mesay Tefera	80	52	132
6		Hana Girma	67	50	117
7		Abdu Kiar	99	17	116
8		Dawit Mellesse	96	18	114
9		Tewodros "Teddy Afro" Kassahun	101	1	102
10		Ephrem Tamiru	84	16	100

CALCULATING THE HOTTEST ARTIST

THE ARTIST NEEDS TO BE PLAYED ON AT LEAST 4 OR MORE STATIONS.

A SINGLE STATION SHOULDN'T ACCOUNT MORE THAN 33% OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PLAYS.

HOTTEST TRACKS

			Radio	TV	Total Plays
1		Hayyee Hana Girma	50	107	157
2		Demama Dawit Tsige	64	90	154
3		Gojamoch Zenetu Syumekal Gebre	76	40	116
4		Emetalehu Mastewal Eyayu	80	28	108
5		Lanchi Henok Getachew	56	40	96
6		Zarem Atirsagn Fikreaddis Nekatibeb	56	33	89
7		Bantelay Hana Girma	66	22	88
8		Kante Lela Veronica Adane	40	42	82
9		Yelebe Haleluya Tekletsadik	48	32	80
9		Etittu Dawit Tsige	58	22	80
9		Ende Amele Lemlem Hailemichael	46	34	80
10		Zemedye Hibist Tiruneh	44	34	78
10		Sewedelat Madingo Afework	68	10	78

ON CALCULATING THE HOTTEST TRACKS

THE TRACK NEEDS TO BE PLAYED AT LEAST 40% OF THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THE MUSIC.

THE TRACK NEEDS TO BE PLAYED ON AT LEAST 3 OR MORE STATIONS.

A SINGLE STATION SHOULDN'T ACCOUNT FOR MORE THAN 33% OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PLAYS.

THIS DATA IS GATHERED BY A 24/7 AUTOMATED RECORDING & ANALYZING AI SYSTEM FROM 35 TV & RADIO STATIONS.

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