

KIGALI PUBLIC LIBRARY hosts inaugural cultural event as Ikiringo series kicks-off

KIGALI, 19 May, 2022. Kigali Public Library hosted the inaugural event of Ikiringo series, marking the official kick-off of the cultural event. Organized by IKIRINGO Africa in partnership with Kigali Public Library, the initiative primarily aims to promote local culture exchanges, showcase the rich heritage of the participating cultural categories and to celebrate cultural diversity, among others.

The event will see local artists present unique cultural performances as well as feature speakers tackling different subjects related to culture. It targets the general public but seeks to place special focus on the youth to enhance their understanding of authentic Rwanda and African culture as well as promoting their intercultural competences.

Besides cultural performances, author and expert in archives and library services Rosalie Ndejuru as well as Jean Pierre KANYANDEKWE shared their expertise during a panel discussion titled: "preserving our Identity".

Commenting on the event, Ikiringo Africa, Director, Mr. Benoit Ngabonziza said: "Cultural awareness and promotion sits at the core of our mission and Ikiringo Series is the delivery vehicle to the realization of that"

"We can't achieve this alone, and it gives us immense delight to have Kigali Public Library as a partner. We owe them profound gratitude for their commitment to this cause.

Kigali Public Library was chosen as the venue for this event given its capability to attract readers from all walks of life. Tessy Rusera, the Director of Kigali Public Library expressed her

"People come to the library to learn about different subjects including culture. Hosting cultural performances, discussions and exhibitions is a great addition and an important contribution to the promotion of culture," She noted.

Ikiringo series will be happening every month in a hybrid format and is open to the public.