



Strengthening Nairobi's Cultural Ecosystem

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REGIONAL HUB:	Eastern Africa
CULTURAL SECTOR(S):	Visual arts, cultural heritage, libraries
BENEFICIARY (IES):	Book Bunk Trust Registered Trustees
COUNTRIES COVERED BY THE ACTION:	Kenya
PROJECT DURATION:	04/2022- 01/2024 (22 months)
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The project '**Strengthening Nairobi's Cultural Ecosystem**' at #NRBLibraries aims to enhance the visual literacy of the public, increase the visibility of creators, and expand access to new markets for creative and cultural goods and services from East Africa.

Three training programmes have been set up: HepaJAM!, MusicBunk, and NBOLitfest. Through its workshops, HepaJam! will provide young people with vocational training opportunities while equipping them with industrial skills.

The MusicBunk education programme has offered musical training to 30 children at Eastlands Library, nurturing a new generation of musicians in Nairobi's creative ecosystem who are well-versed in classical and contemporary music. This initiative will serve as a model for other programmes hosted by cultural institutions in the region.

NBOLitfest, a free literary festival anchored in public libraries, is fostering regional cultural and literary partnerships.

Additionally, 'The Missing Bits' will feature audio showcases with recording booths in libraries and oral archives. The 'Blueprint' will serve as a framework for the creation of an inclusive cultural heritage, emphasizing the potential of libraries as spaces that can also be utilized for various elements of cultural and creative practice.



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