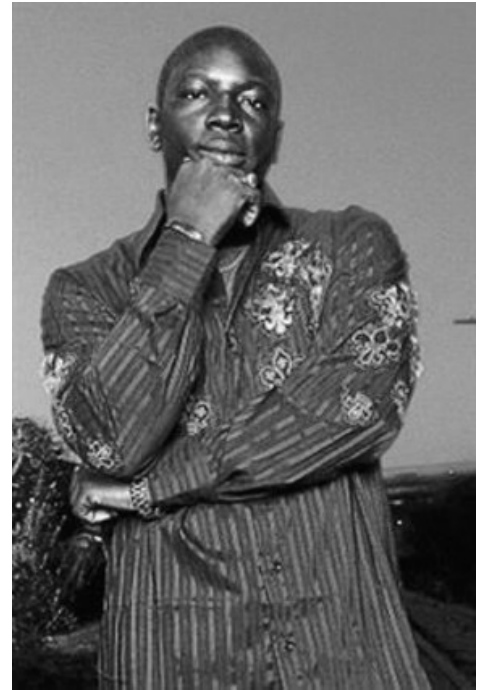


VIEUX FARKA TOURE: WOULD YOU HAVE PLAYED SUN CITY*?

The Palestinian Boycott Call

In response to 67 years of Israeli colonization and dispossession, 170 Palestinian organizations issued a call in 2005 for boycott, divestment and sanctions (BDS). This nonviolent international movement holds Israel to the same human rights standards as other nations. The BDS call includes a request for international artists not to perform in Israel.



Musicians Respond

Many artists have complied by canceling performances in Israel. These include Lauryn Hill, Thurston Moore, Roger Waters, Elvis Costello, the late Gil Scott Heron, Snoop Dog, Carlos Santana, Cassandra Wilson, and Cat Power.

Vieux Farka Touré Refuses to Cancel August Concert in Israel

Palestinian and South African groups wrote to Vieux Farka Touré asking him to cancel his planned August concert in Israel. Palestinian activists explained that their situation "is very much like the Malian resistance to French colonialism and the South African resistance to the Apartheid regime." And the South Africans recalled that the boycott of apartheid South Africa helped to bring an end to the racist regime there.

Vieux Farka Touré has so far rejected this call from the Palestinian people. He plans to cross their picket line to play in Israel. And he plans to perform there with Idan Raichel, a self-proclaimed cultural ambassador for Israel, with close ties to the Israeli government and army.

**Tell Vieux Farka Toure:
Stand Up for Human Rights and Don't Play Apartheid Israel!**

For more information: **adalahny.org** and **www.pacbi.org**

*** whites-only South African resort that was focus of cultural boycott campaign in the 1980's**

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