MONTREAL INDUSTRY INNOVATOR SIMBO

"OUTSIDE TONIGHT"

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OUTSIDETONIGHT.ZIP REMIX TAPE FEATURING THREE REIMAGINED VERSIONS

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(September 6, 2024) - Today, esteemed trombonist, multi-disciplinary artist, and musical entrepreneur, Simbo, moniker of Montreal native Modibo Keita, delivers a brand new video for recent single "OUTSIDE TONIGHT", accompanied by a collection of re-imaginings titled OUTSIDETONIGHT.ZIP. The remix tape features three new versions of the track spanning Afro, Amapiano, and Konpa edits, including collaborations with ROBY STUDIOS and MANNO BEATS.

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With incredibly infectious basslines, shimmering synths, and Simbo's smooth, soulful vocals, "OUTSIDE TONIGHT" captures the essence of a quintessential summer night out, and the new video is a fitting pairing for the song's immaculate energy. The video also offers a peek into the remix tape through a complete visual transformation to match a segment of the track's Afro mix.

Speaking on the single and video, Simbo shared "'OUTSIDE TONIGHT' is about remembering that happiness is a choice. I was going through difficult times when I wrote it. It served as an anthem and reminder of my ability to focus on being 'outside tonight', a metaphor for being positive. The coloured first portion of the video is meant to reflect the very urban and raw edge to the original version of the song, while the black and white part, on top of aiming to create some contrast, showcases the more charming, elegant and relaxed approach in the production of the afro mix."

"OUTSIDE TONIGHT" will feature on Simbo's upcoming EP, and second wave of tunes from his debut album, SOUNDSORCERER VOL.2, arriving October 25, 2024. Building on the sonic foundation laid in his debut, the upcoming collection blends Simbo's rich musical background with a fresh, modern twist, showcasing his stunning, seamless fusion of jazz, R&B, and experimental hip-hop.

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The single, video, and remix tape come hot on the heels of **Simbo**'s recent debut EP **SOUNDSORCER VOL.1**, which includes the stunning single, "Everywhere", featuring **Grammy award-winning** singer-songwriter **J. Hoard** (Chance The Rapper, DJ Premier). Having recorded or performed with artists like **Calypso Rose**, **Talib Kweli**, **The Digable Planets**, **Orchestre National de Jazz de Montréal**, **Clerel** and **Zach Zoya**, "Everywhere" is a perfect introduction and a vibey showcase of Keita's incredible musical versatility, from professional recording Trombonist, to songwriter and singer.

In 2021, Simbo curated, wrote and produced a tribute show and radio documentary with **Radio-Canada**, to celebrate 50 years of **Marvin Gaye** - **What's Going On**. With the same incredible ensemble of 13 musicians, he recorded **SOUNDSORCERER**. Blending the large ensemble traditions of jazz, with R&B melodies and hip-hop production, **SOUNDSORCERER** blurs the lines between soulful R&B, experimental Hip Hop and the rich heritage of jazz.

Born in Montreal on October 26, 1991, the **Canadian** and **Malian** musician, singer-songwriter and producer has a long and impressive resume. **Keita** founded and runs **The Shed Montreal**, a popular speakeasy event series that features 100% improvised Hip Hop, R&B and Jazz, as well as secret DJ nights. Through the Shed, Keita has worked with world renowned musicians like **Casey Benjamin** (Q-Tip, Robert Glasper Experiment), **Melanie Charles** (SZA, Mach-Hommy) and **Endea Owens** (Jon Batiste, Solange) to name just a few. The Shed also curated after parties for the Montreal International Jazz Festival from 2019 to 2023. In

October, Keita became the first black talent buyer to work for the Montreal International Jazz Festival since its inception in 1980.

If all that wasn't enough, Keita is also a sought after educator, public speaker and an active advocate for progressive and healthy approaches in the education of the arts. He has given masterclasses at institutions such as the **University of Toronto, Augsburg University**, among others. He also played trombone in the backing band on popular French TV show **Star Académie** during the 2021 season.

SOUNDSORCERER VOL. 2 Tracklist

PROMISED LAND FEAT. IMAN OMARI
 LOVE TO THE FACE FEAT. JAI NITAI LOTUS
 LOVE (IS THAT THING)
 OUTSIDE TONIGHT



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About Simbo:

Modibo Keita (performing under the name Simbo) is a multi-disciplinary artist and music entrepreneur. As a trombonist, he has recorded or performed with artists like **Calypso Rose, Talib Kweli, The Digable Planets, Orchestre National de Jazz de Montréal, Clerel** and **Zach Zoya** among others. Through his commitment to music education reform and on top of teaching regularly, Keita has led masterclasses and workshops at institutions like the **University of Toronto** and **Augsburg University**.

As the artistic director and founder of **The Shed Montréal**, Modibo Keita has collaborated with musicians like **Rich Brown, Melanie Charles, Jonathan Hoard** and **Tara Kannangara**. As a cofounder of **WE UP RE**

UP alongside Eric Revis (Branford Marsalis, Betty Carter), Nasheet Waits (Jason Moran, Andrew Hill) and J.D. Allen (Ron Carter, Dave Douglas), he has been working in creating spaces and opportunities for BIPOC musicians around the world to network.

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