



# ZEE ESSENTIAL

Being influenced by many different genres of music, Zee Essential thrives to take his listeners on a sonic journey built up by cinematic, dreamy and melancholic sounds of electronic music.

His main goal as an artist, whether it may be in the studio or during a performance, is to draw emotion out of his audience or listeners while having the music touch their soul.

He has headlined internationally in Kenya & Zambia as well as performed across the country at some of South Africa's finest events, opening for and playing alongside the likes of Ryan Murgatroyd, Vanco, Lazarusman, Black Coffee, Lemon & Herb and Culoe De Song.

Zee Essential has marked releases on labels such as Belgian's Tanzgemeinschaft as well as a milestone release on esteemed German label - Einmusik, where he featured on the label's infamous Bella Mar 09 VA compiled by Einmusik. His record 'Time' together with Berlin based singer/songwriter/composer & producer Ben Haydie, has gone on to receive support from artists such as Nora En Pure, Julian Wassermann, Bebeta and Mees Salomé. The record had also gone on to feature as the opening song for Nora En Pure's Purified Radio - 305, as well as being featured as part of Einmusik's best of 2022 mixed by Einmusik.

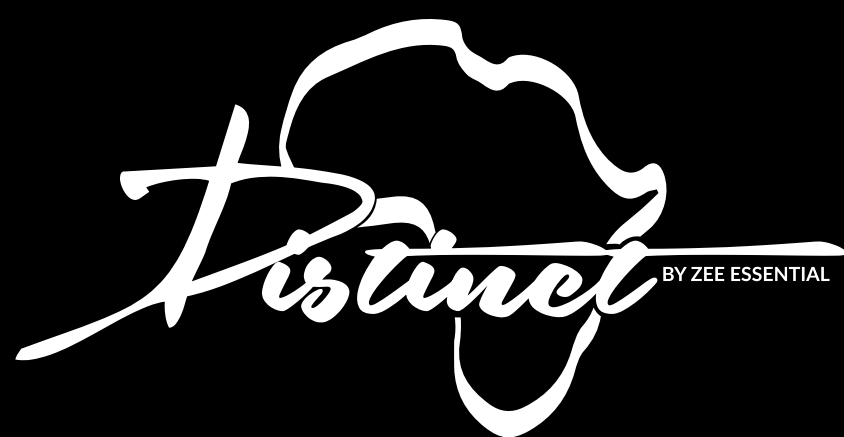
To show his diversity sonically, Zee Essential kicked off 2023 with the release of his single 'Ibala' together with Bun Xapa and award winning vocalist - Toshi, out on Moojo's Calamar Records, which received heavy support from the likes of Kasango, Shimza, Caiiro, Da Capo, Lemon & Herb, Hyenah, Nitefreak, Rocco Rodamaal & Jamiie to name a few.

His next offering - 'Reset' out on Soave Records, together with Ben Haydie & Amsterdam based artist Descend, continued to show his diverse exploration with electronic music. The record went on to be featured as part of Cornelius SA's Anjunadeep Edition - Episode 477 - mix as well as clocking a milestone of over 250 thousand streams in just three months.

As we move into 2024, Zee Essential has already marked a release which once again shows his ability to move through genres of electronic music. His record titled 'Follow' together with Dubai based artist Yes No Maybe features on Tube & Berger's label Zehn Records VA - Elements 15.

Overall his vision as an artist is not only to tell a story with each piece of work or performance, but also, to connect with and capture the listener on the journey by creating and performing in devotion to God and in alignment with the Universe.

FOLLOW



Africa Distinct is a concept founded by Zee Essential that he hosts and curates on Belgian label and magazine Tanzgemeinschaft. The show consists of one hour mixes carefully crafted by Zee Essential himself together with guest mixes & interviews from the hottest underground & electronic music artists coming out of Africa. He has had guests such as Ralf Gum, 2lani The Warrior, Kususa, Kostakis, Jordan Arts and many emerging stars based here in Africa.

## MUSIC



### FOLLOW

Yes No Maybe,  
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### RESET

Ben Haydie,  
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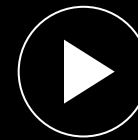
### IBALA

Zee Essential,  
Bun Xapa



### TIME

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### SUBDUE

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