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### **[Amyang Fashion™](#) NYFW Presentation of SS'19 Collection in SOHO**

New York, N.Y., September 03, 2018---[CR8:BLK](#) will host their launch event **DiasporHER** featuring the SS'19 collection, **20|20** by [Amyang Fashion™](#). **DiasporHER** is an interactive art experience featuring the unique fashion installation presentation, alongside live painting by Brooklyn-based [Congalese Visionary Ntangou Badila](#) and an acoustic musical performance by [Tanzanian Diasporan, Singer|Songwriter Koku Gonza](#).

This SS'19 NYFW art installation by fashion design house Amyang Fashion introduces **20|20**, a collection inspired by the design house Founders' recent travels through eight countries on The Continent of Africa. With a renewed focus on social responsibility to African Artisans, the design house produced the collection in the Co-Founder's homeland, Freetown, Sierra Leone.

Attend this event through RSVP invite only. The event is from 3pm-5pm at a private art gallery in Soho. Tickets will be available online through [Eventbrite](#) for \$25. An RSVP ticket includes a light West-African brunch and drinks, as well as a raffle ticket to win a special gift from each artists.

**DiasporHER** is curated by CR8:BLK (Create Black), a non-profit organization aimed towards celebrating contemporary Black and African Art created by Black/African women artists. Contemporary Art is defined to include current works of painting, film, media, fashion, sculpture, and other creative platforms. Proceeds from the event will also benefit CR8:BLK's Fiscal Sponsorship Program and the RWUL Legacy- "Keturah"

Caesar Film Grant. CR8:BLK will use publications, digital media, and outreach programs to further foster creativity in Black communities globally. For more information visit [www.cr8blk.org](http://www.cr8blk.org) for details.

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### **Amyang Fashun™, A Lifestyle Brand**

[Amyang Fashun™](#) is a Lifestyle Brand that creates and offers authentic fashion and provides styling services inspired by a fusion of traditional West African culture and timeless cosmopolitan vigor for the Global Citizen. To ensure that the fashion culture of Africa benefits the African, the brand practices social responsibility by sourcing fabrics from The Continent of Africa and commissioning African Artisans to produce every collection. Co-Founded by Diasporans of Sierra Leone, sisters [Gayima Kanu](#) and [Sallay Kanu](#) worked with African Artisans in Freetown, Sierra Leone to produce their [SS'19 collection, 20 | 20](#).

### **Ntangou Badila**

[Ntangou Badila](#) is a Congolese visionary artist based in Brooklyn, New York. Raised in a multifaceted household of self employed artist parents, and nine siblings, there was always nurturing toward the exploration of creativity. Having recently transitioned from an extensive career in the Pastry Arts, the burgeoning of more artistic freedom has allowed her passions to flourish. In the past four years, Badila has been featured on [AfroPunk.com](#) and [Snax Magazine](#) power issue, as well as shipped commissions of her artistry across the U.S. and internationally . 'Queendwombmen', her first solo show debuted last spring and she continues to push her vision and creations for the world to enjoy illustrious indulgences . Her sophomore show is currently on display at the Hudson Area Library, in Hudson New York titled 'Gemini Moon'.

## **Koku Gonza**

Singer/Songwriter and guitarist [Koku Gonza](#), is often compared to legends like Sade, Zap Mama, Saida Karoli and Mariam Makeba as well as contemporary artist like Corrine Rae Bailey, Sia and Lianne La Havas. Koku Gonza thrives as an international indie artist 24 hours a day. She is a Chicago grown guitarist and vocalist of East African ancestry. Koku Gonza, the daughter of a Tanzanian folk singer, has shared the stage with an eclectic range of audiences from tours in Europe, Asia and Africa.

During the spring of 2016, Koku Gonza joined the Empire TV cast as a pianist for the season finale. Prior to touring Tanzania this past winter, she debuted her Afro House hit Penda Curious on Anane and Louie Vega's Nulu Records, which also became a top 10 in the Afro House genre. While in Tanzania with her band, she recorded the collaborative impromptu song and video Kukatika with a Tanzanian based artist.