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From left: Jeremy Nyanga of Leld Casting and Modeling Agency, Lucy Mwangi of Zera Casting Agency and James Kihindas of Dynamic Race during the media launch of the Kenya casting agents, models and talent welfare association (KECAMTWA) at Le Vans Hotel, Nairobi on Thursday last week. >>>



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Lucy Mwangi and KECAMTWA Secretary Jennifer Kanary during the same launch.>>>



IT'S PARTY TIME!

CLUBBERS WOWED BY LASER LIGHT WIZARDRY AS NAIJO'S PUT THEIR SWAGGA ON DISPLAY

Classy, fabulous and famous

There exists a list of clubs that offer a variety of options from a cozy night out to a rocking night out, every day of the week. When it comes to Friday party joints, Mercury Lounge at ABC Place is one of those that are way above there, what with its serious house-music and classy, fabulous and famous people in Nairobi. The people here are quite attractive, charming, well dressed and easy to mingle with. But, after one hour, I decide to leave. Destination: Skylux Lounge

Birthday party

When it comes to "treating" women, you have to give credit to our Naijo brothers. I am at

Skylux Lounge where M-Tech's Ike Anoke has decided to throw a surprise birthday bash for his longtime Kenyan girlfriend, Bona Nyaoke. The party theme is mostly Naijo, from the music to the dress code. Also here looking gorgeous are top stylist Connie Aluoch and EasyFM's Angela Angwenyi and her buddies — all Nigerian, I think.

Only expensive bottles of whiskey and champagne are deliberately, and lavishly, displayed on the tables, Oga style. The mood is simply hot and sexy with pretty chicks all around the tables and on the dance floor. It seems DJ Kaydee is under strict instructions not to play any party music from Naija until the clock strikes 3am. Good party though.



LEFT: SOME OF THE GUESTS AT BONA NYAOKE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY AT SKYLUX LOUNGE LAST FRIDAY.

ABOVE: BONA NYAOKE (CENTRE) WITH HER FRIENDS DURING THAT BASH. PHOTOS | DENNIS OKEYO



Tony Chira (left) of KMF Talent Management, Lindsey McIntire (centre) of Surazuri Models and KECAMTWA chairman Oliver Wigina of Versatile Modeling Agency during the launch of KECAMTWA at Le Vans Hotel, Nairobi last Thursday. The association aims at tapping and protecting upcoming and established talents in the modeling and acting industries.

Laser light disco

After a good sporty Saturday during which Mwamba managed to beat KCB 22-10 in the Kenya Cup rugby match and break their record, not forgetting that Man-U walked all over Bolton in the English premier league, it's time to see off the evening at Galileo.

Henning Hutmacher from Germany is doing some crazy stuff using laser lights all across the lounge. Clearly, Nairobians aren't used to such wizardry; holding their favourite drinks, they stare awestruck at the creative images forming across the walls.

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Among the crowd is a youthful Minister chatting with socialite and radio personality Shaffie Weri and his girlfriend Joan aka Jada. P-Unit's Gabu, Arthur K of MTV and footballer Jamal Mohammed are here too. It's 3am and the place is still full; you have to wonder if Sunday service means anything to these guys. Party on people!

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FROM LEFT: MISS STRATHMORE UNIVERSITY HOTTENSIAH NYOKABI, MISS MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY FAITH SERENEIY AND MISS KCA UNIVERSITY CLARA WAMBUI HAVE FUN WITH CHILDREN FROM LITTLE ROCK AND EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE IN KIBERA, NAIROBI. THE MISS UNIVERSITIES 2012 FINALISTS ALSO DONATED FOODSTUFF AND CLOTHING TO THE CENTRE.



IKE ANOKE, LOOKING LIKE A TRUE 'OGA', TAKES A PEACE POSE DURING HIS GIRLFRIEND'S BIRTHDAY PARTY.

TAKE TEN BY DENNIS OKEYO



with Amani

- 1. You have totally disappeared from the limelight. What's cooking?**
I have been busy finishing my album and very soon I will be in the social scenes.
- 2. When was the last time you released a song?**
In April last year, it's called "Without You" featuring a Namibian rapper called CJ.
- 3. Rumour has it that you are secretly married to a Naija dude. Is it true?**
(Laughs) People should stop these rumours. I am a very single lady, and still looking for Mr Right.
- 4. What kind of men do you like?**
I am attracted to true gentlemen and they must be God-fearing.
- 5. How did your debut album "Tamani" perform in the market, and when is your next one due?**
Tamani was a huge success. Everything about it worked out very well. I'm dropping a new album mid this year if all goes as planned. My fans should look forward for it.
- 6. How was it working with International R'n'B singer R Kelly?**
Working with R Kelly was a real blessing. The man is so humble and hardworking, also very patient as a producer.
- 7. You were the 2009 MAMA Awards winner. Which Kenyan artiste do you see winning that award soon?**
I don't like to predict things, so let's wait and see. A lot of talent is emerging though.
- 8. What are some of the goals you're still trying to accomplish musically?**
I have so much to do; the list is a long one. But I wouldn't mind winning a Grammy "Wink"
- 9. Any mistakes that helped or hurt you in any way last year that you would like to share?**
I don't live my life in regret. Everything happens for a reason.
- 10. Any advice to Kenyan musicians?**
Stay focused on what you want to achieve.