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## Entertainment

### Great Gungo Walk Festival

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Singers Mackeehan (left) and Duane Stephenson thrill the audience.

It was indeed a walking experience for patrons who turned out Saturday at the Edna Manley College of the Visual and Performing Arts for the third Gungo Walk World Alternative Music and Arts Festival.

The event had three stages which accommodated over 30 bands, spoken word performers, a film exhibition, dance workshops, yoga meditation and massage therapy.

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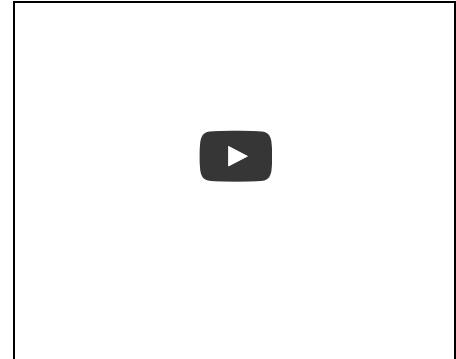
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Brazilian reggae artiste Soraia Drummond went over well with the fair-sized crowd, performing originals such as Njo Saia (She Is Royal), Sorriso Forte Na Luyts, A Luz De Jah, Eu Acho e' Povco in her native Portuguese and Irie Feeling in English.

It was a Brazilian segment of sorts as members of the Afro-Brazilian martial arts group, Capoeira Cativeiro, led by Contra Mestre Simpson (Dennis Eckart) gathered around the stage to show support.

There was a surprise appearance from singer Duane Stephenson who performed The Rastaman Way, a song from his upcoming album. He was called on stage by budding act Mackeehan who was well-received on Stand Tall, Outta Road and Who Gonna Help Us.

The musical aspect of the festival was a platform for emerging acts. Among those showing promise were Don Zee, GIRL, Alexandria Love, Feluke, Mystikal Revolution, Eye of the Brainstorm, MIJ & Her Boyfriend.

There was also a Digicel Rising Stars suite featuring this season's remaining contestants, all of whom were in fine form.

Co-founder and festival director, Michael Sean Harris, was pleased with the turnout but called for more corporate support.

"This is the third year and the musicians and artistes love it. This year there are over 30 bands, four to five theatre groups, a short-film festival and dance workshops, but still not getting corporate support," Harris told the Jamaica Observer.

He plans to hold the event over two days next year.

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