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**Jabu Pereira** from Iranti-org to speak with other global leading LGBT activists in New York on **10 December**

***"Quorum: Global LGBT Voices" at the New York Public Library, featuring talks and panels highlighting the struggles and triumphs of LGBT people worldwide***

**The Daily Beast**, in collaboration with nine leading international human rights organisations, will host an unprecedented gathering of **leading LGBT activists from around the world.**

The event, entitled "Quorum: Global LGBT Voices," will take place at the New York Public Library on Wednesday, December 10, designated **Human Rights Day by the United Nations.**

Continuing its strong commitment to covering the global movement for LGBT equality, the live-journalism event will feature **LGBT activists sharing compelling stories about their struggles and successes.** The event will generate a series of video talks, interviews, and presentations, which will be available online at The Daily Beast in

January 2015.

The event is organised in collaboration with The Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice, American Jewish World Service, All Out, GLAAD, The Human Rights Campaign (HRC), The International Gay & Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC), The International LGBT Association Europe (ILGA-Europe), 76Crimes.com, and Muslims for Progressive Values.

"Quorum" features a **who's-who of LGBT activists and artists** from around the world, including Adebisi Alimi (Nigeria), Anastasia Smirnova (Russia), Meena Seshu (India), Alice Nkom (Cameroon), Nisha Ayub (Malaysia), Parvez Sharma (A Jihad for Love), Xiaogang Wei (China), and **Jabu Pereira (South Africa)**, and other activists whose names are being withheld for security reasons.

"It is an honour and a unique opportunity for Iranti-org to be represented by Jabu Pereira. The stories about our struggles told in our own words in an important message in our fight for sexual and gender justice. These stories reiterate the simple reality that at no moment has a shared commitment to justice, and solidarity within and among our movements been more urgent", says Lyn Ossome, Chair of Iranti-org

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### **About IRANTI-ORG**

Iranti-Org is an African visual media organisation established in 2012. It works within a human rights framework to raise issues of sexual orientation and gender identities. To date, Iranti-org has documented hate crimes and human rights violations in the Northern Cape, Limpopo and Gauteng provinces. Iranti-org has also set up the African Queer Media Makers Network, which seeks to build the media making capacity of LGBTI activists in southern Africa. [www.iranti-org.co.za](http://www.iranti-org.co.za)

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