

# KELLY BADO

A full-length portrait of Kelly Bado. She is wearing a blue denim jacket over a black top and a long black skirt. She has large hoop earrings and a necklace. She is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a plain, light-colored wall. In the foreground, there are some props: a brown suitcase, a red hat, a woven basket, and a wooden vase.

## Links

[Hey Terre](#)

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Weaving in influences from her African heritage, la chanson française, and American gospel, Kelly Bado's music crosses cultural barriers to bring people together in joy and hope. Her striking vocals, uplifting melodies and advocacy work were recognized with 3 awards : Francophone Artist of the Year and Global Artist of the year at the WCMA in 2021, and the Art and Culture Award at the Black and proud Gala in 2024. Kelly's songwriting reflects the beauty of the languages and rhythms encountered in her personal journey from Abidjan to Winnipeg.

Through her lyrics inspired by love and people, Kelly is committed to promoting a world where we come together as citizens of our planet Earth, each bringing our unique strengths to life's common experience.

Kelly was honoured to perform along artists like Alessia Cara, Serena Ryder, Walk Off the Earth and to open for 5 times Grammy winner Angelique Kidjo. She was a favourite in La Voix Quebec, winning the People's Choice award. Sir Paul McCartney, after hearing Kelly's performance on the show, exclaimed "WOW! What a fabulous, emotional and inspiring performance!"

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# Recognitions

Art and Culture award - Black and proud gala 2024  
Francophone Artist of the Year and Global Artist of the Year - CWMA 2021 (Hey Terre)  
Francophone Artist of the Year - CWMA 2020 (Hey Terre)  
World Music Artist of the Year - CWMA 2018 (Entre Deux)  
Member of the JUNOS Committee 2020 - current

# Shows

February 29, 2024 - Black and proud Gala - Canadian Human Rights Museum  
February 9, 2024 - BPM wag quama jug - Winnipeg Art Gallery  
November 4, 2024 - Coup de coeur franco - CCFM  
August 11-13, 2023 - Trout Forest Festival - Ear Falls  
June 24, 2023 - Fête de la St-Jean Baptiste - (filmed in Regina) Unis TV  
June 17, 2020 - Opening for 5 times Grammy winner Angelique Kidjo - Winnipeg Jazz Festival  
February 18, 2023 - Festival du voyageur  
January 25, 2023 - Lune des prairies : les voix féminines du MB - Productions Rivard  
December 25-26, 2022 - At home for the Holidays on CTV  
September 25, 2022 - Sphere Festival - Family Day with the Ottawa Symphony Orchestra - NAC  
September 17, 2022 - Épluchette et forum d'accueil - Prince George - Cercle des canadiens français  
August 30, 2022 - TD plays the parks concert series - The Cube  
August 25, 2022 - Soirée Collab - Patio 340  
July 31, 2022 - Blue Skies Festival - Clarendon Ontario  
July 29, 2022 - Water and Fire Festival - Lac du Bonnet  
July 23, 2022 - Summer concert series - Assiniboine Park  
July 1, 2022 - A New Day celebrations - Winnipeg Forks  
June 26, 2022 - Concert with the Winnipeg Jazz Orchestra - Patio 340  
June 23, 2022 - St-jean Baptiste concert - CCFM&Patio 340  
May 8, 2022 - Mother's Day celebration with Ottawa Symphony Orchestra - NAC  
April 28, 2022 - A Covid Elogy with Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra  
March 7, 2022 - Stay at home concerts organized by Winnipeg Folk Festival  
August 28, 2021 - Manitoba 150 Celebration - Shaw Park  
August 27, 2021 - Celebration at the gardens at the Leaf Assiniboine park  
August 5, 2021 - Summer Music Series at the Lyric Theater - Assiniboine Park  
July 24, 2021 - St-Bonifest - Coronation Park  
July 10, 2021 - Manitoba Finalists JIM BEAM virtual National Talent Search  
March 7, 2021 - Stay at home concerts organized by Winnipeg Folk Festival  
February 25, 26, 27, March 3, April 22, May 15, June 18 2021 - Virtual Touring in Ontario  
(8 cities: Timmins, Chapleau, Hearst, Kingston, Kapuskasing, Thunder Bay, North Bay, Hamilton)  
February 17, 2021 - Block Heather organized by Calgary Festival - virtual  
February 12, 2021 - Festival du voyageur - virtual  
January 4, 2021 - National Jazz Festival (CoJazz)

## Showcases & panels

October 15, 2022 - Panelist on Creating new opportunities for black artists - Folk Music Ontario  
August 21-24, 2022 - Festival international de la chanson de Granby  
May 24-26 & June 20-23, 2022 - Résidence Projecteur  
Jun 25, 2022 - Showcase at SWMM - Manitoba Music  
June 8-11, 2022 - Canadian Music Week  
March 14, 2022 - Panelist on The Work/Life/Art/Balance panel- SaskMusic  
September 16-17, 2021 - Contact Ouest (virtual)  
April 27-29, 2021 - RIDEAU Showcase (virtual)  
March 3, 2021 - Panelist at the Catalyst Music Conference (virtual)  
February 23, 2021 - Fleming Artists showcase Folk Alliance International (virtual)

## TV & Discography

2024 - Good people - released by Indian City feat Julian Taylor and Kelly Bado  
2023 - Fête de la St-Jean-Baptiste - Unis TV  
2022 - At home for the Holiday - CTV  
2020 - At home for the Holiday - CTV  
2020 - Indigenous Day Live - APTN  
2020 - Hey Terre album release  
2020 - Tout pour la musique - TFO  
2020 - Canada day Together on CBC TV  
2020 - Mix Sonore Halifax - Unis TV  
2019 - Chacun sa route - émission spéciale du 50eme du festival du voyageur (TVA Montreal)  
2019 - En direct de l'Univers - CBC télé Montreal  
2018 - Tout pour la musique - Unis TV  
2018 - La Voix Québec TVA  
2017 - Prise de son Radio-Canada Nouveau-Brunswick TV  
2016 - Entre deux EP release