



Larry Otoo, a solo exhibition

Let's Dance!

15 October to 17 November 2026
Cantonments, Accra



TIGA ART GALLERY

Jazz, highlife and the joy of the dance

Larry Otoo paints the moment the music takes over. Horns lift, drums roll, a crowd leans into the beat and the canvas moves right along with it. Let's Dance! brings together forty eight works that celebrate jazz, highlife and the simple joy of people gathered around sound.

From intimate trios to full orchestras packed edge to edge, bold colour and restless line carry the rhythm from one work to the next. Come and look, come and listen, and let the paintings set the tempo.

Lily Sefa-Boakye

Founder and Director, TIGA Art Gallery





1

Bebop jazz

45 x 60 in
Acrylic on jute



2

Fraternity

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



3

Jazz gang

30 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



Above, 5

String Wail

16 x 35 in, acrylic on plywood



Left, 4

Dondo dance

30 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



6

Popcorn rendezvous

44 x 63 in
Acrylic on canvas

7

Three Amigos

44 x 38 in

Acrylic on canvas





8

Extra Orchestra

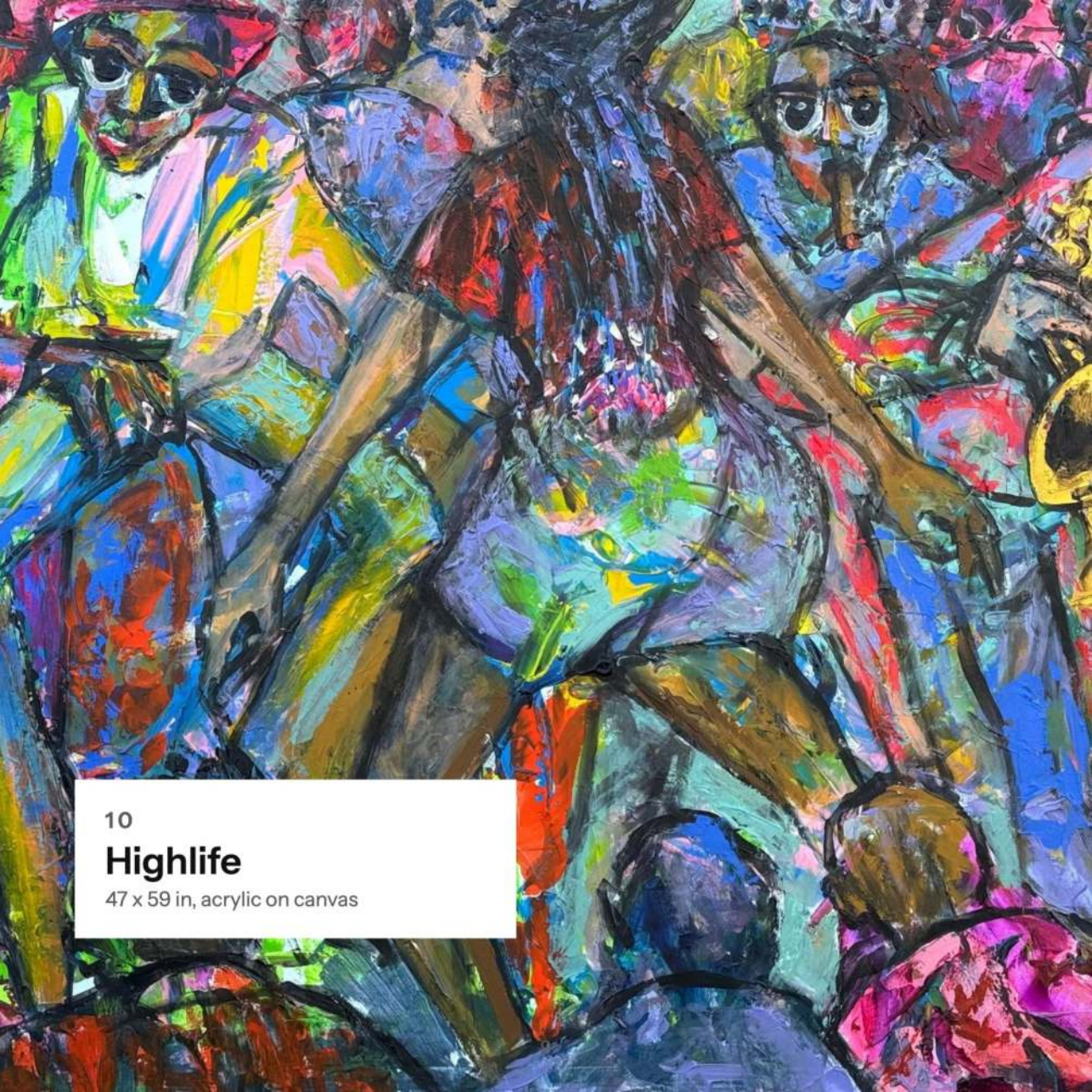
48 x 60 in, acrylic on canvas



9

Bar Bash

48 x 60 in, acrylic on canvas



10

Highlife

47 x 59 in, acrylic on canvas



11

Swing low

49 x 59 in
Acrylic on canvas



Above, 12

Deepdown Cacophony

54 x 96 in, acrylic on canvas

Right, 13

Work force

43 x 63 in, acrylic on canvas





14

Agenda G-sharp

60 x 67 in
Acrylic on canvas



15

Grazing

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



16

Blues tongue

60 x 60 in, acrylic on canvas

17

Piano Concerto

48 x 60 in, acrylic on canvas



18

Xylophone fiesta

37 x 59 in, acrylic on canvas



Small works, framed

Five intimate pieces, framed
and ready to hang.



19 Jam
17 x 17.5 in



20 Rhythm crew
18.5 x 15.5 in



21 Music makers
18.5 x 15.5 in



22 String blue
18 x 25 in



23 Close call
19.5 x 15.5 in



24

Jazz Club

35 x 59 in
Acrylic on canvas



25

Jazz Men

13.5 x 10.5 in

Acrylic on canvas



26

Violin Concerto

16.5 x 11.5 in, acrylic on paper



27

Dondo Drummers

16.5 x 11.5 in, acrylic on paper



28

Horn Men

16.5 x 11.5 in, acrylic on paper



29

Blue Serenade

16.5 x 11.5 in, acrylic on paper



30

Four Jazz Men

35.5 x 35.5 in
Acrylic on canvas



31
Fiesta

43.3 x 63.3 in
Acrylic on canvas



32

Lone Ranger

30 x 24 in

Acrylic on canvas



33

Brass Rehearsal

60 x 60 in
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Jazz Quad

11.5 x 16.5 in, acrylic on paper



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Blue Braids

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



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Charisma

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



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Pink Lips

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



39

Hair Fashion

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



40

Blue Notes Reloaded

60 x 67 in
Acrylic on canvas



41

Women Delight

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



42

Foursome Beauties

30 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



43

Braids Gray

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



44

Profile Sparkle

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



45

Violin Player

31.5 x 24.5 in

Acrylic on canvas



46

Yellow Love

24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



47

White Braids

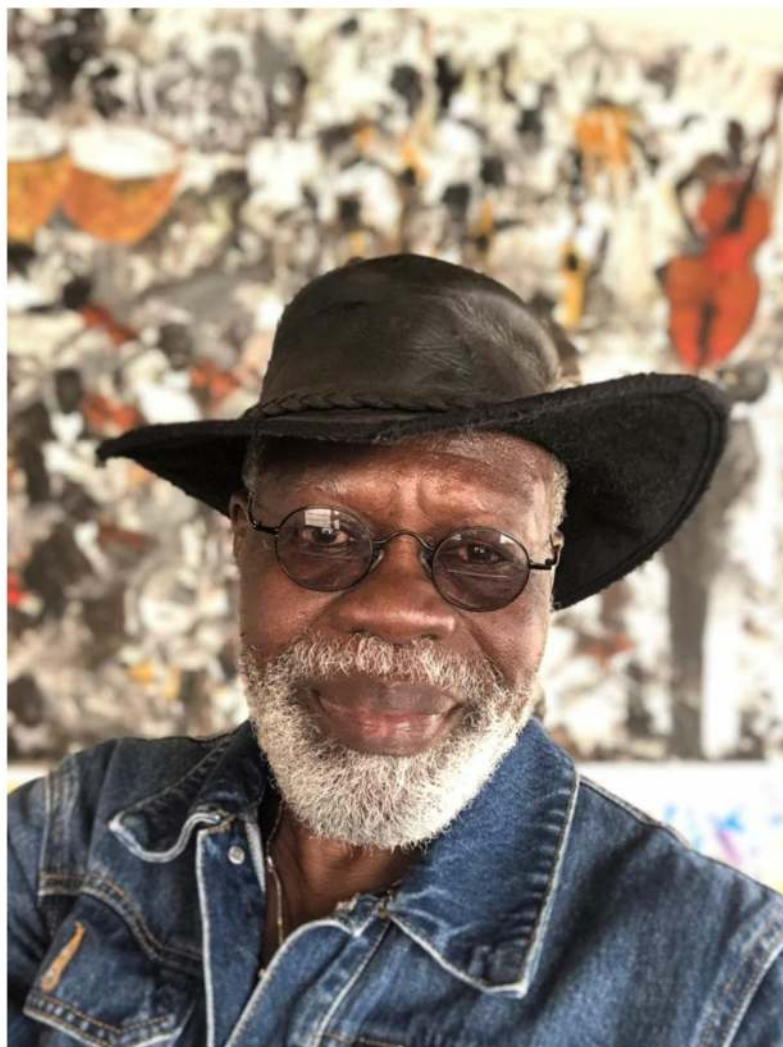
24 x 24 in, acrylic on canvas



48

Red Wail

43.3 x 37.4 in
Acrylic on canvas



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comes from
within me."

Larry Otoo

Painter, Accra

About Larry Otoo

Larry Otoo is one of Ghana's most respected painters, a visual historian with a modernist's love of jazz. Now 70 and based in Accra, he continues to paint with undiminished energy, working in acrylic on canvas. He has exhibited across Africa, Europe, the United States and the Middle East, and has been a visiting artist and tutor at universities and international schools in Ghana. In 2026 he received the Asantehene Otumfuo Osei Tutu II Art Award for Lifetime Achievement in Painting.

Music runs through everything he paints. Trumpeters, drummers and full bands crowd his canvases, together with the audiences they entertain, dressed in sharp Western suits and caught in lively, often humorous, moments of wine drinking. His love of jazz has brought lasting friendships, among them the late South African trumpeter and anti-apartheid activist Hugh Masekela and the English actor Sir Roger Moore.

Alongside the music, Otoo sees his role as documenting Ghana's cultural history. He paints the durbars of chiefs and everything that gives them meaning: the umbrellas that signal a chief's status, the swords of oath swearing in their adopted colours, and the protocols of seating. His large durbar collages, such as *The King's Court*, follow these traditions from northern Ghana through the Akan forest country to the coast, while other works turn to rural life and the livelihoods that have sustained communities for centuries.

His outlook on art is as generous as his palette. At an exhibition in the early 1990s, opened by the former Minister of State Joyce Aryee, he said, "When I paint, I do what naturally comes from within me." Decades on, he still believes his work belongs to the people who see it: "When I display them, they are no longer mine. The public has a right to me." Let's Dance! shares that spirit, inviting everyone into a world of rhythm, colour and celebration.

Award, 2026

Asantehene Otumfuo Osei Tutu II Art Award

For Lifetime Achievement in Painting

Selected solo exhibitions

2026 **Let's Dance!**
TIGA Art Gallery, Crystal Homes,
Cantonments, Accra

2021 **Debut Exhibition**
Efie Gallery, Dubai

2019 **Vibrant Colours**
OOA Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

2018 **Melcom Art Exhibition**
Achimota, Accra, Ghana

Selected group exhibitions

2025 **Spectrum**
TIGA Art Gallery, Crystal Homes,
Cantonments, Accra

2020 **Lost in the Crowd**, duo show
OOA Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

2019 **Year of Return**, pop up exhibition
TIGA Art Gallery, Cantonments,
Accra, Ghana

List of works

Acrylic on canvas unless stated
Prices in Ghana cedis (GHS)

01	Bebop jazz 45 x 60 in, on jute	65,000	13	Work force 43 x 63 in	65,000
02	Fraternity 24 x 24 in	15,000	14	Agenda G-sharp 60 x 67 in	65,000
03	Jazz gang 30 x 24 in	15,000	15	Grazing 24 x 24 in	12,000
04	Dondo dance 30 x 24 in	15,000	16	Blues tongue 60 x 60 in	65,000
05	String Wail 16 x 35 in, on plywood	18,000	17	Piano Concerto 48 x 60 in	65,000
06	Popcorn rendezvous 44 x 63 in	50,000	18	Xylophone fiesta 37 x 59 in	45,000
07	Three Amigos 44 x 38 in	45,000	19	Jam 17 x 17.5 in	4,500
08	Extra Orchestra 48 x 60 in	65,000	20	Rhythm crew 18.5 x 15.5 in	4,500
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10	Highlife 47 x 59 in	65,000	22	String blue 18 x 25 in	4,500
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12	Deepdown Cacophony 54 x 96 in	120,000			

To reserve a work, speak to a member of the gallery team or call +233 (0)207 800 460.

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25	Jazz Men 13.5 x 10.5 in, canvas	4,500
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27	Dondo Drummers 16.5 x 11.5 in, paper	6,000
28	Horn Men 16.5 x 11.5 in, paper	6,000
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Opening night

Thursday 15th October 2026

6:30pm to 9:30pm

On view until

Tuesday 17th November 2026

Visit

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Opening hours

Open daily
11am to 7pm



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