

About Alhanislam

Alhanislam is a highly acclaimed performance poet who uses the power of spoken word to ignite change, inspire social consciousness, and advocate for equality and justice. She is recognized as the new voice of young emerging Africans. Born on December 25th, 1996, in Kaduna State, Nigeria, she hails from Borno State, Maryam holds a bachelor's degree in Information Technology (BSc) from Radford University College in Accra, Ghana. With her captivating performances and soul-stirring poetry, she has touched the hearts of audiences worldwide. She combines her artistic talents with her passion for technology and digital communications.



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As a campaign coordinator for Change.org in Nigeria, Alhanislam effectively intertwines advocacy and poetry, utilizing her platform to champion various causes and mobilize communities. She firmly aligns her brand with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and actively promotes their principles and objectives through her artistic endeavors.



One significant example of her advocacy work is her collaboration with UN Peacekeeping, where a poetry campaign for peace was launched. Drawing inspiration from her experience in her home town Borno State, an insurgency-stricken region, Alhanislam emphasizes the importance of promoting peace in conflict-ridden areas. Through her thought-provoking poetry, she raises awareness and encourages dialogue on vital peacebuilding initiatives.

Alhanislam has also made notable contributions to advancing primary healthcare in Nigeria. She worked closely with the Nigerian Governors Forum, engaging in high-level advocacy efforts to enhance the development of primary healthcare services across the country. Her powerful message, "While we deliberate on the things that will outlive us, let us not neglect the things that help us live," underscores her commitment to addressing critical issues affecting her community and the nation.

It is of no surprise that on 17th June 2023 she was awarded the national zero hunger hero award by t200 foundation for her fierce commitment through her art advocating for the people's salvation.

Currently, Maryam serves as a story-telling consultant at DFID (now DAI) since 2019 and the National Agency of the Great Green Wall in Nigeria. Additionally, Maryam sits as a director on the board of the West African Youth Alliance and youtherium.

In addition to her impactful advocacy work, Alhanislam has performed at various prestigious events and venues, further solidifying her reputation as a respected poet and an orator. Notable appearances include the African union; African governance architecture event in kampala, Uganda, where she captivated audiences with her powerful words. She also had the honor of addressing former President Buhari, President Nana Akufo-Addo of Ghana, and esteemed guests at the book launch of President Buhari's biography.

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Passionate about empowering young girls, promoting the art and advocating for gender equality, Alhanislam founded True my voice an initiative aims to build the capacity of poets for advocacy, storytelling and fostering collaborations, thereby strengthening the African voice, this advocacy is borne out of the desire to use the arts to evolve and enhance the narrative about the human experience from an African perspective.

Alhanislam is an instructor on Sapphital learning platform, where she has courses on spoken word poetry and poetry for kids. In 2019 she launched a secondary school tour where she would visit schools in an attempt to inspire the next generation.

Alhanislam, who is also a facilitator, has facilitated sessions for various fellowships on digital advocacy such as : The green academy by Heinrich Boll foundation, We create change fellowships across Africa (Kenya, Nigeria, SouthAfrica). Also seminars such as 'The Power of the Web: digital revenue for the movie industry' in collaboration with Mainta Entertainment and Loro Inc. She has also co-facilitated workshops for ignite Africa and the ARDA organization.

Alhanislam shines with unparalleled brilliance, In 2017, Maryam graced the world with her mesmerizing spoken word album, "In the Heart of Silence," a profound exploration of the depths of human emotions. This masterpiece served as a testament to her unparalleled artistry and innate ability to move hearts and ignite change.

Building upon her artistic prowess, in 2022, she released her eagerly anticipated second poetry album, "Layers." This magnum opus left an indelible imprint on the literary world, captivating the minds and souls of listeners far and wide. Renowned figures in the industry, such as jivy and tomfoolery, heralded the album with resounding praise, acknowledging its sheer brilliance and artistic depth.

Maryam's literary contributions transcend boundaries, connecting with audiences on a profound level. Her words carry the weight of truth, inspiring reflection and fostering empathy. As an activist, her unwavering commitment to championing the rights of women and children is unparalleled, making her a beacon of hope and change in a world yearning for justice and equality.

Apart from her literary accomplishments, Alhanislam has ventured into entrepreneurship. She is the founder and CEO of Alhanislam Tutoring Services, where she provides life coaching, counseling, and speech therapy. Her tutoring services also incorporate poetry, monologues, public speaking, and spoken word, empowering individuals through creative expression. Her wellness line VarieTEA is dedicated to alleviating several mental health issues.

Recognizing the power of art and culture in bringing people together, Alhanislam co-founded the Creative Cultural Revival organization. This initiative seeks to change the narrative of Africa by fostering connections among African countries through art, culture, and tourism. By promoting unity and intercultural understanding, the organization aligns with the African Union's agenda of silencing the guns and the Sustainable Development Goals.

With her vast following on social media, Alhanislam serves as an influential figure for young women across Nigeria. Through her artistry and advocacy, Maryam has proven herself as a transformative force in the realm of poetry and social activism to heal the earth, the mind and drive social consciousness.

Her name resonates with reverence among the literary elite, and her impact on society is immeasurable. Maryam, the internationally renowned Nigerian poet, continues to leave an indelible mark on hearts and minds, reminding us of the power of words and the potential for change.

Events and Conferences Alhanislam has graced the stages of renowned events and conferences, including:

- COP28 at the UAE 2023
- Sustainable trade Africa conference in dubai 2023
- Reaching the last mile forum dubai 2023
- Bauchi education summit 2023 the Ake Arts and Book Festival
- The Kaduna Book and Arts Festival 2017 x 2019
- TEDx Argungu
- NEXT Level U.S.A
- The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) conferences.
- The African governance architecture conference and the African Union 8th high level dialogue conference 2019 which took place in Kampala, Uganda.
- The Kaduna Economic and Budget summit 2019
- The Women in Government event by the PERL initiative DFID
- The gubernatorial inaugural lecture in Kaduna 2019.
- The D.A.R.E conference 2019 and 2021
- African feminism across generation event by HEINRICH BOLL STUFTUNG FOUNDATION
- The public lecture series in Honor of the VICE PRESIDENT OF NIGERIA ; Professor Yemi Osinbajo 2021
- SHE-EO 10.0 2021
- The book launch of the First lady of Nigeria (Her Excellency Hajiya Aisha Buhari) titled "Being different".
- The Nigerian Governor's wives against gender based violence event 2020
- WISCAR 2020 Annual leadership and mentorship conference
- The 5th annual global women empowerment network (gwen) luminary awards.
- African Union youth silencing the guns intergenerational dialogue 2020
- My Nigerian dream conference 2020 by ichoose life foundation

- Jobberman career fair 2020
- Pathfinder international at 55 event 2020
- SCICOM Women conference 2020
- Maggi diaries
- SDG Family activation 2019 event organized by the senior special assistant to the president on SDG's.
- 5th Anniversary of the Green heart impact foundation
- The International human rights day event 2019 organized by the French institute in conjunction with the French embassy
- Northern Youth Summit 2019
- NNPC Towers walk the talk lecture
- The Daniel pearl concert organized by the U.S embassy 2019
- Teen conference organized by the MIM foundation (minds in the making)
- YIAGA Africa youth organizing school
- TEDx murtala square kaduna 2019
- Spoken Wars panel of judges powered by lacasera - 2022
- Womanity International conference in Dubai 2021
- Arewa turn up 2022
- Nalafem inaugural summit 2022
- She Creates Change co-hort reunion powered by change.org - 2022
- Green Nigeria movement grassroot sensitization 2022
- Bank of industry break the bias event - 2022
- Lagos International poetry Festival - 2021
- G.E.E.P 2.0 event by ministry of humanitarian and social development -2021
- Global citizen concert - 2021
- CIA lagos expressions - 2021
- Seedbuilders panel -2021
- The African Heritage concert and awards night Kigali Rwanda 2023
- Industry nite 2023
- Nigerian Army properties limited ground breaking event 2023

- Book launch of the Former vice president Professor Yemi Osinbajo as a co host 2023
- Book launch of the Former President Muhammad Buhari 2023
- Primary healthcare leadership challenge gala and awards Night 2023
- Nalafem summit 2022/2023
- T200 zero hunger symposium 2023

Collaborations and Partnerships Alhanislam has collaborated with esteemed organizations, including:

- Reaching the last mile forum
- Bauchi state government United Nations peacekeeping mission
- UNFPA
- African union
- Change.org
- Global citizen
- Heinrich Boll Foundation
- Youth Hub Africa
- UNICEF
- Office of the Senior special assistant to the president on SDG's
- The Nigerian Government
- The Canadian High Commission
- Vlisco
- Heritage Bank
- Nigerian Governors Forum
- Lacasera
- Womanity global initiative
- Kaduna state government Creative cultural revival
- Global envoy international
- Islamic ummah relief international WISCAR
- Pathfinder international
- L AND N Group of companies
- Zebra Africa
- Dangote industries
- Exquisitelooksng
- Attahiru foundation

- Go Nigeria initiative by Anap foundation
- T.A.P.E initiative by NNPC
- SME digital academy Nigeria
- NAPL NIGERIA (Nigerian Army properties limited)
- IGNITE AFRICA
- Sapphital
- ilmi children's fund
- Waldorf Knoll Academy

With **over 600,000 followers** across social media, Maryam engages in social media brand influencing for popular brands such as Dangote Seasoning, Maggi, Onga Curry, Jumia Nigeria, Jobberman, Malta Guinness, and Dettol, among others.

Honors and Awards Maryam's exceptional work has been recognized and honored through numerous prestigious awards and accolades, including:

- Sustainable Africa award 2023 in Dubai by the CEO UAE Trade Centre
- The Northern Pandora Awards bestowed upon her the distinguished title of "Motivational Speaker of the North" in 2019, acknowledging her profound ability to inspire and empower.
- Arewa Kutashi recognized her as the "Most Inspiring Youth of the North" in 2019, celebrating her unwavering dedication to uplifting the younger generation.
- Vlisco, a renowned creative industry platform, included Maryam among the esteemed group of five women who represent the pinnacle of creative excellence in 2019.
- Pulse TV acknowledged her as one of the "Top 10 Most Influential Young Muslim Women Around the World," positioning her as a role model for aspiring individuals globally.
- Croccity Magazine esteemed her as one of the "10 Most Influential Women in Kaduna State," highlighting her remarkable impact on the local community.
- The Democratic Youth Assembly of Nigeria presented her with a Certificate of Honor, recognizing her outstanding contributions to societal development, human upliftment, and selfless service to humanity.
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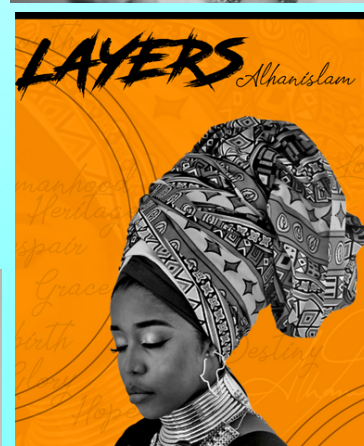
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- National zero hunger hero award 2023" by T200 foundation in recognition of her commitment to communities in need of food, nutrition and knowledge

Alhanislam's profile exemplifies the remarkable journey of an internationally renowned performance poet, social activist, and motivational speaker. Her accolades and awards serve as a testament to her unwavering commitment to inspiring change, empowering others, and using her platform to advocate for equality and justice. Through her spoken word performances and influential presence, she has captured the hearts of audiences worldwide, leaving an indelible mark on society.



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