



Pianist Sanele Phakathi presents “Stones Left Unturned”

In association with Concerts SA, Luthuli Museum and iSupport Music Business present concert of pianist and composer Sanele Phakathi. Phakathi and his band will be performing in Groutville on Friday 1 February 2019.

Umlazi born Sanele Phakathi is a contemporary singer and pianist. He is widely known for playing the piano/keys for some of SA’s well-known and celebrated jazz musicians such as Mbuso Mbusuyeza Khoza, Xolisa Roro Gqoli-Dlamini, Nhlanhla Mahlangu and Philani Ngidi to name a few. He started playing the piano at the age of 17 and his personal sound bears reference to the sound of yesteryear soul and jazz legends he in turn refers to as his musical inspirations, such as George Benson, Al Jarreau, Bheki Mseleku, Keith Jarret and Oscar Peterson. Sanele and his band The Sanele Phakathi Quintet are currently performing at a variety of venues in and around Durban.

Phakathi creatively themed these concerts “Stones Left Unturned”. He highlights that often humans just head forward with their lives, sometimes leaving and forgetting elements of life that helped them walk towards the right path and he feels it is important to revisit the same elements. *“I will be conveying and celebrating his initial influences musically, like my parents, my siblings and the music we all would listen to as family. I am bringing the audience the sound that sparked my passion and love for Modern Jazz”.* Says Phakathi.

Alongside Phakathi on keys and vocals, Leon Scharnick on saxophone, Thabo Sikhakhane on trumpet, Dalisu Ndlazi on bass guitar, Sbu Zondi on drums, Siyalo Zulu on trombone and Zoe The Seed on vocals will appear on the stage.

These concerts are part of the Concerts SA Venue Circuit that aims to foster a love and support for live music in our communities, as well as anchor small and medium-sized venues in urban and rural Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, and the Western Cape. Concerts SA is a joint South African/Norwegian live

music development project housed within the SAMRO Foundation. Concerts SA receives financial, administrative and technical support from the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, SAMRO, the SAMRO Foundation and Concerts Norway. Working with musicians, promoters, venue owners and audiences, and providing support to the sector through research and skills development for music professionals, the project aims to build a vibrant and viable live music circuit in southern Africa. It also aims to develop an interest in and appreciation of live music by showcasing music performances and conducting workshops at schools.

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Events Listing:

Friday 1 February 2019

Luthuli Museum

Groutville

6 pm // R30 at the door