



Cape Town pianist Lihle Dunjana brings “iGugu” to Luthli Museum

In association with Concerts SA, iSupport Music Business presents Cape Town based pianist and composer Lihle Dunjana on tour in KwaZulu Natal. Dunjana will be performing on Friday 1 March at Luthuli Museum in Groutville.

The project Dunjana is presenting is titled iGugu. It is a mix of African American hardbound style, South African jazz and soul music. It is a unique sound that tells of her experiences and influences of past musicians.

“In my band, I always strive for openness, for musicians to be themselves, so we can fully collaborate, when there are no limits or boundaries, there is room for so much creativity and the birth of infinite things.” says Dunjana.

For this performance Dunjana will be accompanied by Thabo Sikhakhane on trumpet, Dalisu Ndlazi on bass guitar and Tefo Mahola on drums.

Thembelihle Dunjana is a young pianist from born in Cape Town in one of S.A’s historical townships, Gugulethu.

She is an improviser and teacher, who has, over the years, been very influenced by the transcendent realm of music and it being able to capture true honesty in a specific moment, to never be relived again. Dunjana started playing piano at the age of about, 11 years old, with a particular interest in searching and finding something new in the music every day, however, with the classical teaching she had at the time, this curiosity was somewhat inhibited and later found herself taking a large interest in improvisation and jazz, and has since graduated at the University of Cape Town with a BMUS in Jazz. Dunjana is continuously seeking to evolve her sound and perception of music and is strongly influenced by not only the greats, but by ordinary South Africans who choose to dig deeper into their musical and social norms. In her youthful career Thembelihle has thus far performed at the Grahamstown festival, Cape Town fringe festival, Olso Jazz festival and recently at the Cape Town Jazz festival with the Delft Big band, as well as many other venues around her city and is ready to share her music with the rest of the country, and world.

This series of performances by Lihle Dunjana is part of the Concerts SA Venue Circuit which 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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Event Listing

Friday 1 March

Luthuli Museum – Groutville

6pm / R30

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