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MAPUNGUBWE ARTS FESTIVAL TAKES THE CELEBRATION TO CAPRICORN DISTRICT

The Limpopo Department of Sport, Arts and Culture is taking the excitement of the upcoming Mapungubwe Arts Festival to Capricorn District through a build-up activation at Mehlareng Mall in Magatle, Zebediela, under Lepelle-Nkumpi Municipality on the 16th of October 2026.

The activation aims to bring the festival closer to communities, raise public awareness and encourage residents to be part of one of Limpopo's flagship cultural and entertainment events. Through these community engagements, the Department continues to promote the province's rich cultural heritage, artistic talent and creative industries while creating platforms for local artists to showcase their abilities.

The Mapungubwe Arts Festival is a significant platform for celebrating Limpopo's cultural diversity and bringing people together through music, dance, performance and other creative expressions. The build-up activities are intended to generate enthusiasm ahead of the main festival and encourage participation from communities across the province.

The Department recognises that the creative sector plays an important role in local economic development, job creation and social cohesion. By taking festival promotions to shopping centres and community spaces, the Department seeks to ensure that residents

are informed about the festival and the opportunities it presents for artists, entrepreneurs and other stakeholders in the creative economy.

The 2026 Mapungubwe Arts Festival promises an exciting celebration of talent, culture and entertainment, with a programme designed to attract audiences from across Limpopo and beyond. The festival will also feature international artist Syleena Johnson, who is scheduled to perform on 12 December 2026 at Polokwane Cricket Club.

The Department calls on residents of Capricorn District and surrounding communities to support the build-up activities, celebrate local talent and look forward to the Mapungubwe Arts Festival as a platform for showcasing Limpopo's cultural excellence.

Through the festival, Limpopo continues to strengthen its position as a destination for arts, culture and major entertainment events, while promoting the province's identity and creative potential beyond its borders.

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