

The Jacksons to play at DStv Delicious International Food & Music Festival

The DStv Delicious International Food & Music Festival will be held on 8 and 9 October, 2016, and the headline act for Sunday, 9 October will be The Jacksons.

Following a short reunion of the band in 2010 for the Unity Tour the group played its last show together on 9 December, 2010, in Osaka, Japan. The previous reunion of the band, nearly 17 years after the group originally disbanded, was in September 2001 - at which time all six Jackson brothers reunited for two performances at Madison Square Garden for a 30th anniversary special commemorating Michael's solo career.

The 'King of Pop', last played in South Africa during the HIStory Tour at King's Park Stadium, Durban, 19 years ago, on 15 October, 1997, but this will mark the first performance of the original Jackson brothers as a group in South Africa.



On Saturday, fans can enjoy Grammy Award-winning producer/artist/DJ, 'Little' Louie Vega of Elements of Life fame. Elements of Life is a combination of jazz, Latin, R&B, gospel, soul, blues, Brazilian and world music - all woven with Vega's golden touch as part of his live orchestral project, which was released in 2013.

Big billings on Saturday's main stage line-up also goes to Arrested Development, Rolling Stone Magazine's band of the year in 1992, who went on to collect two Grammy Awards in 1993 for Best New Artist & Best Rap Single (album, 'Tennessee'). They were the first and last rap group to date to win the Grammy's Best New Artist award.

Mi Casa

South Africa's triple-Platinum-selling trio Mi Casa will be one of the headlining acts on the main stage. The award-winning group shot to fame in 2011 with 'These Streets', and has continued to reach new heights with every single and album released since. Their unique and relatable sound has ensured they keep the number one spot on South African radio charts; their latest single, Don't Wanna Be Your Friend, being the number one most Shazam'ed song in South Africa for six consecutive weeks. Their broad popularity has ensured that they perform at sold-out concerts all over the world: from Portugal, to Canada, to Holland and Kenya to name a few. They are now focussed on tapping into more of their African market with their tour Mi Casa Unlock Africa.

De La Soul rounds out Saturday's performance. The original hip hop trio from New York City, who besides their musical style delivered us the iconic rapper style of baggy pants and hiker boots, also went Platinum in the US and the UK on their debut album '3 Feet High And Rising' in 1989. This original rapper group brought us top hits such as Ring Ring Ring and Me Myself and I. Since the 80s they have continued to influence many other rap and hip hop artists.

Sunday sees Louie Vega and Elements of Life on the main stage again. They are joined by SA music star Lira – the multi-Platinum-selling and 11-times SAMA-winning Afro-soul vocalist who refers to her music as "a fusion of soul, funk, elements of jazz and African soul" – and Roy Ayers. Ayers, known as the 'The Godfather of Neo Soul', is a pioneer of jazz-funk and is a key figure in acid jazz, which is a mixture of jazz into hip hop and funk. He is most well known for his signature compositions Everybody Loves The Sunshine and Searchin, and is famous for having more sampled hits by rappers than any other artist.

For a local flavour, our home-grown jazz and Afro-pop vocalist Judith Sephuma will help to get you in the mood for the big act of the weekend. Sephuma is known as South Africa's Best Jazz Vocalist, having won this title at the Old Mutual 'Jazz into the Future' competition.



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"The DStv Delicious International Food and Music Festival presented by Nedbank is part of our ongoing commitment to bringing world-class experiences to our customers. To this end, we are pleased to announce that we will be offering current DStv customers a 20% discount on tickets to the festival. Customers can use their unique customer number to redeem their discount on Delicious Lounge and General Access tickets until midnight on 3 July and enjoy the amazing DStv Delicious Festival 2016 with us," said Nomsa Chabeli Mazibuko, GM marketing of MultiChoice.

DStv Delicious takes place this year for the first time at the 73ha 55-year-old Kyalami Grand Prix Circuit, which has

recently undergone a massive multimillion-rand upgrade. The prime location, international recognition, world-class facilities, along with its nine entry and exit points make Kyalami the perfect venue choice.

The main stage will offer live performances presenting iconic music artists, while the Kaya FM Dance Stage will present a line-up of some of the hottest local and international DJs available.

Couple all this to the Nedbank Green Wine Garden, a decadent food market offering the finest foods and delicacies, great gourmet chef food restaurants, including Reuben Riffel, J'Something, Sarah Graham, Somizi, Callie-Anne and Let's Call it Brunch Banquet, and a bigger and better than ever DStv Kid Zone.

With multiple entrances and exits, a central location and oodles of parking, Kyalami will be a superb location for the DStv Delicious Food & Music Festival and with over 40,000 festival-goers expected over two days it looks set to be a festival weekend of a lifetime.

Gates will open at 10am each day; patrons can bring their own camping chairs and umbrellas. No picnic baskets, drinks or alcohol are allowed through the gates. Nedbank will provide ATM cash machines, but organisers advise visitors to plan and bring cash.

Tickets are available from www.ticketpro.co.za:

• General Access Day Pass: R475

• General Access Weekend Pass: R810

• Kids Zone: R100

Delicious Lounge Day Pass: R1250

• Delicious Lounge Weekend Pass: R2100

Decadance Luxury Lounge: R3705
Decadance Weekend Pass: R5925

• Jeep Luxury Ticket: R3950

• Let's Call It Brunch Day Pass: R2470

• Let's Call It Brunch Weekend Pass: R3970

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