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## Tamia in three-city tour of South Africa

Multi-Grammy-nominated artist Tamia is to perform in a three-city tour in April 2014, namely: Grand Arena, GrandWest, Cape Town on Saturday, 26 April; Big Top Arena, Carnival City, Joburg on Sunday, 27 April; and the Boardwalk Convention Centre, Port Elizabeth on 30 April.

Soul singer and six-time Grammy-nominated performer Tamia Hill began honing her voice when she was still a child growing-up in Canada. Living near the boogie down city of Detroit, the then-budding talent was exposed to that city's rich musical history through its deep gospel tradition and booming Motown sound.



"I feel a connection to all types of music," Tamia said from her home in Florida. "From soul to country to gospel, as long as the song has a good story, I'm hooked." Citing Phyllis Hyman and Chaka Khan as influences, Tamia strives to bring freshness to the soul arena.

From her debut single You Put A Move On My Heart, produced by Quincy Jones in 1994, to her more recent song cycle, Tamia possesses both a hypnotic charm and timeless voice.

## Fifth studio album released

Tamia has collaborated with a diverse roster of artists, including Babyface, Barry White, Missy Elliott, Rodney "Darkchild" Jerkins, Gladys Knight, Eric Benet and Gerald Levert. In 2003, she recorded the number four Billboard Hot 100 Chart hit Into You with rapper Fabolous.

blending her special passion with each style and making them her own. Having recruited two-time Grammy-nominated songwriter/producer Claude Kelly (Bruno Mars' Grenade and Kelly Clarkson's My Life Would Suck Without You) as her coexecutive producer on "Beautiful Surprise", the two worked hard to create a project that is as diverse as it is soulful.

Tamia will travel to South Africa with her band and perform hits from all her albums.

## **Ticket prices:**

- Cape Town: From R225 to R425
- Joburg: From R290 to R60
- Port Elizabeth: From R195 to R500

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