

# SAINTS ARTS FESTIVAL



*2009*

*Images from 2008 Festival*



Thanks to our event sponsor: Tempest Car Hire.

Entitled 'Fu Chu', this year's festival promises to be really exciting with **Prime Circle, Zebra & Giraffe, The Sick-Leaves and Cassette** in the line up and international actors **Paul Spence and Annie Robinson** performing for us.

'Fu Chu' is the Chinese word for 'giving' or 'to give' and we take this as our theme. The aim of the festival is to celebrate the Arts and not to raise funds but any profits generated by the festival, particularly through the Grade 8 businesses, will be donated to welfare organisations supported by St Stithians College.

### The 2009 Arts Festival Committee

Mrs Peta Hanly; Mr Michael Matthews; Danilo Acquisto (Chairman); Zhi Qiao; Duncan Earley; Jovy Abraham; Anthony Knowles; Madeleine Dymond; Larona Lebethe; Charlene Chitsa and Marie Botha.

*The festival takes place on:*

**Monday 22 June - Dinner - Drama Show (18:00 - 22:00); (sold out!)**  
**Tuesday 23 June - Dinner - Drama Show (18:00 - 22:00); (sold out!)**  
**Wednesday 24 June - Dinner - Drama Show (18:00 - 22:00); (sold out!)**  
**Thursday 25 June - Music Festival (17:00 - 23:00); (all parents & family welcome)**  
**Friday 26 June, Student Talent Festival and Workshops (7:30 - 12:00). (Students event)**

## MONDAY 22 JUNE - WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE THEATRE DINNER

Each night, Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, is an adult dinner theatre murder mystery event.

The evening starts at 18:00 with wonderful Jazz music played by the famous 'CLASSIC JAZZ MASTERS'. This is followed by 'The Strange Case of Hester Cilliers' a murder mystery. Dinner will be prepared and served by the Grade 8 Businesses.

### ABOUT THE EVENT

A DINNER THRILLER that is gripping theatre; a sophisticated mind-challenge and loads of fun. In a classic 'dinner theatre' setting and ambience – and woven through a delicious three-course meal - the Dinner Thriller is designed to challenge, delight and entertain. The actors initiate the evening with the Prologue, whisking the diners back a hundred years to a golden time and place in our country's past at a Randlord's mansion on the Parktown Ridge in Edwardian Johannesburg; 1909. Created and devised by Paul Spence, formerly of The Royal Shakespeare Company, in tandem with celebrated South African actress, Annie Robinson, Dinner Thrillers are an unforgettable, interactive experience. You will be superbly wine'd, dined and royally entertained!



## THURSDAY 25 JUNE : Music Concert. The line-up

TIME	VENUE
	QUAD: MUSIC
17:00 - 17:15	DJOD
17:15 - 17:30	DJOD
17:30 - 17:45	DJOD
17:45 - 18:00	DJOD
18:00 - 18:15	The Sick-Leaves
18:15 - 18:30	The Sick-Leaves
18:30 - 18:45	Setup
18:45 - 19:00	Zebra & Giraffe
19:00 - 19:15	Zebra & Giraffe
19:15 - 19:30	Zebra & Giraffe
19:30 - 19:45	Zebra & Giraffe
19:45 - 20:00	Break Dancing
20:00 - 20:15	CASSETTE
20:15 - 20:30	CASSETTE
20:30 - 20:45	CASSETTE
20:45 - 21:00	CASSETTE
21:00 - 21:15	Saints Music Teachers
21:15 - 21:30	Prime Circle
21:30 - 21:45	Prime Circle
21:45 - 22:00	Prime Circle
22:00 - 22:15	Prime Circle
22:15 - 22:30	Prime Circle



### 1. Prime Circle.

Prime Circle enter 2009 as the leading rock band in South Africa, buoyed by several explosive live performances, a gold-selling album, significant radio play and, waiting in the wings, a bold assault on the international market.

That Ross Learmonth, Dale Schnettler, Dirk Bisschoff, Neil Breytenbach and Marco Gomes have dominated the rock scene in South Africa is hardly surprising. After all, prior to 2008, the five-piece had supported the release of their first two albums with a commitment

to hard work and through a workmanlike approach to gigging and a brace of radio hits, rapidly built up a loyal fan base.

Still, with the release of third album, 'All or Nothing' and a new deal with EMI Music South Africa in place, Prime Circle have managed a most difficult feat over the past year: that is to elevate their standing in the South African music industry even further, at a time when tough economic conditions have issued artists with increasing challenges.



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## 2. Zebra and Giraffe.

Zebra & Giraffe win Best Rock Album (English) at the SA Music Awards at Sun City!

The 15th Annual MTN SA Music Awards were held at Sun City this past weekend and Zebra & Giraffe managed to beat off more fancied opponents to take the Best Rock Album (English) award for the debut album 'Collected Memories'.

It has been exactly a year since the release of Zebra & Giraffe's debut album which has seen the band's success sky-rocket in their home country of South Africa. The band recently performed alongside Oasis, Snow Patrol and Panic! At The Disco at the Coke Zero Fest in Joburg and Cape Town.



## 3. CASSETTE.

After a prolonged period of being under the radar, Cassette has finally re-emerged, and they have certainly come back with a bang. The new album Who Do You Trust? is different in both sound and form to the previous album, Welcome Back To Earth, which was nominated for 3 MTN South African Music Awards in 2007 including that for Best Group, and ended up taking the award for Best Rock Album. The band spent over 6 months in studio writing and recording the new album, which was then mixed in LA by Mark Needham who has worked

with the Killers and Chris Isaak, and produced by the Grammy Award winning producer, Danny Torr. Coinciding with the new album launch an extensive tour of South Africa has just been completed, along with a brief but highly successful UK tour. The new album has been extremely well-received in the country, and overseas, getting rave-reviews often noting how much more edgy the band has become and how much their sound has matured. About the album, lead singer, Jon Savage has commented that "We made this album for ourselves, we had to. People will either love it or hate it, but we in making this album also allowed all the members to express themselves, we allowed ourselves to go where the music wanted to go".

Cassette will be rocking the St Stithians cultural festival on the 25th of June.

## 4. DJOD.



Dj OD is the latest winner of the Stones Sister of Spin 2008 Competition. With her Dj career just taking off, she has already managed to rub shoulders with the likes of Ami-Lectrix and Dj Dizzy. Dj Dizzy from Dizzmania Academy is currently Dj OD's teacher, where all trade secrets are revealed. Dj OD has also played at private birthday parties, corporate functions, Stones Cresta & Black Orchid in North Riding.

With her passion and absolute love for music, Dj OD will entertain and keep any crowd going. Watch out Saints, because Dj OD is going to rock your school this June.



## 5. THE SICK-LEAVES

The Sick-Leaves perform live as a two piece with a drummer, Wayne Pictor. Eksteen Jacobsz formed his own project, The Sick-Leaves in 2004 following a two year stint in London where he played in the band The Infidels who toured the local scene extensively including opening for The Libertines.

The Sick-Leaves debut album, Tunnel Vision was produced by legendary underground producer Matthew Fink. It was released in April 2006 through independent label Sheer Music. Tunnel Vision and the subsequent second album: Stone the Crow are published by Sony/ATV music publishing. Both of The Sick-Leaves albums (Tunnel Vision & Stone the Crow) have been nominated for a SA Music Award in the category of Best Alternative Album (English), in 2007 and 2009 respectively.



## FRIDAY 26 JUNE: Student Talents. The line-up

TIME	VENUE	VENUE
26-Jun	QUAD: MUSIC	STAGE DOOR: THEATRE
07:30 - 07:45	Chapel	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
07:45 - 08:00	Individual Talents	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
08:00 - 08:15	Individual Talents	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
08:15 - 08:30	Dear Diary	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
08:30 - 08:45	Writing on the Wall	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
08:45 - 09:00	Writing on the Wall	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
09:00 - 09:15	The Moose and the Wolves	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
09:15 - 09:30	The Moose and the Wolves	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
09:30 - 09:45	Jarred & Dylan	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
09:45 - 10:00	Violent Pearl	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
10:00 - 10:15	Violent Pearl	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
10:15 - 10:30	WORKSHOPS	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
10:30 - 10:45	WORKSHOPS	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
10:45 - 11:00	WORKSHOPS	Matric Drama Prelim Pracs
11:00 - 11:15	WORKSHOPS	
11:15 - 11:30	Hip Hop Dancing	
11:30 - 11:45	Hip Hop Dancing	
11:45 - 12:00	Hip Hop Dancing	
12:00 - 12:30	Hip Hop Dancing	The Bald Prima Donna
<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR HALF TERM</b>		

### 1. The College Music Students

#### Friday 26 June ±7:45–8:15: Venue: Chapel Quad.

- Saxophone Ensemble: Shima Mojapelo; Nick Harrison; Michael Potter; Andrew Hellens; Stuart Wilson; Tim Mitchell & Aaron Servant [2 electric guitars, drum-kit, saxophone] Watermelon Man - Herbie Hancock; arr. Jamey Abersold.
- Voice & Piano Duet: Emmanuel Makgoka & Duveshan Naidoo  
Tis me oh Lord - African-American Spiritual.
- Guitar Ensemble: Matthew Bruynse; Dylan Jones; Rowan Spazzoli; Jonathan Wilks; James Hart & Lorenzo Spazzoli [acoustic guitars] Not Another Waltz - Bob Power.
- Voice, Piano & Guitar Ensemble: Jason Walden; Nick Harrison; Shima Mojapelo [electric guitar] No Matter What - Andrew Lloyd-Webber.
- Guitar & Voice Duet: Francois de Villiers & Richard Leigh [acoustic guitar] Save Tonight - Eagle Eye Cherry.
- String Ensemble: Philip Liedtke; Edward Ormond; Matt Jenje; Ben Walker; Matthew Leigh; Max Liebenberg (with Ute Liebenberg & Christo Jankowitz) Menuet - J. B. Lully.
- Voice, Piano, Guitar & Drum Ensemble: Nick Harrison; Michael Shires; Shima Mojapelo & Eljerel Naidoo [electric guitar] Ain't No Sunshine – Bill Withers
- Megan Nel sings solo.

### 2. Writing on the Wall

After months of careful preparation, *Writing on the Wall* is ready to burst onto the Saints music scene. Consisting of four of Saints' finest music students, *Writing on the Wall* embodies a passion for music and a love for performing. The band prides itself on its eclectic repertoire and high standards and is on a mission to spread the joy of music (and take over the world at some stage).

The band's line-up boasts the talented and experienced Eljerel Naidoo (DJ Saddam) on Drums, the versatile and diligent Shima Mojapelo (Ebony) on lead guitar, the brilliant and musical Michael Shires on keyboard and backing vocals, and the masterful all-rounder Nicholas Harrison on lead vocals and rhythm guitar. Having been individually tutored by South African musicians such as Brendon Gold and Lebo Mochudi from Voodoo Child, RJ Benjamin and Emile Hoogenhout and with the patronage of the Boys' College music department (under Dalene Hoogenhout), the band is ready to steal the show.

*Writing on the Wall* draws its influences from many spheres of contemporary music - from Jazz and Funk to Rock and Hip-Hop.



**3. WORKSHOPS FRIDAY 26 JUNE : 10:15 - 11:15**

<b>WORKSHOPS</b>	<b>CONTACT PERSON</b>	<b>NUMBERS</b>	<b>VENUE</b>
Hip Hop Dancing	Gavin Walmsley	30	Mrs Pretorius Class Room
Theatre Sports	Steyn Fourie	30	JB3
Film	Quinn Wobbe & Tim Mitchel	20	JB1
As the Cookie Crumbles	Emma Carpenter	150	Media Centre
Candle Dipping	Megan Rosslyn-Smith	30	Amphitheatre
Balloon Art	Nastashia Bhayroo	30	Art Room, Sculpture Area
So you think you can Dance	Larona Lebethe	200	Mears Hall
Debate	Natsai Shumba	200	Collins Amphitheatre
Learn Poker	Rowan Spazzoli	20	Bronx
The author of Spud - <b>John van de Ruit</b> – Talk.	Mrs. Reynolds	600	Main Stage



**EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!!**

*John van de Ruit is an actor, playwright and author who was educated at Michaelhouse and received an MA in Drama and Performance Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal. His highly successful stage production of Green Mamba and Black Mamba (in collaboration with Ben Voss) have performed to sell-out audiences around South Africa and have received numerous awards. His debut novel, Spud, was a publishing phenomenon in South Africa, smashing all local publishing records, and was awarded the Booksellers' Choice Award in 2006.*

*Hot on the heels of Spud's release in September 2005, Spud - The Madness Continues ... was released in April 2007 to rave reviews. Both books have since been published in the USA and UK to great acclaim, as well as being translated into Italian (renamed Patata), Russian and Portuguese.*

*The penultimate book in the side-splitting series, Spud - Learning to Fly, will be released in June 2009. John's keenness for travelling has seen him backpacking through South-East Asia and the Far East at various stages of his writing process (Spud - Learning to Fly was carefully mapped and thought out on the dusty roads of Vietnam!)*

*Spud has crept into the hearts of readers across the world and was recently placed 11th on Exclusive Books' list of 101 Books to Read Before You Die.*



**4. Hip Hop (11:15 – 12:30)**

*The Hip Hop department at the Boys' College is one of the more recent additions to culture at the school. However, in the short time that it has been around, it has become a smash hit and a massive success with its own club, department and annual shows. The club plays host to a variety of exceptionally talented hip hop dancers, song writers, rappers and producers. It focuses mainly on dancing whilst the poets & rappers section gets going.*

*Several of the club's more elite dancers have been asked to perform at prestigious school events e.g. The Matric B2K prize giving and huge cultural events such as the Arts Festival and Battle of the Bands. The club is lucky to have very talented boys, some dancing at high and even professional levels and some participating in major competitions and professional dance crews e.g. Madoda Gamede – Professional dancer & finalist at the 2007 Hip Hop World Championships; Juan Louw – Professional dancer & qualified dance teacher; Gavin Walmsley – high-level dancer & winner of the National School of the Arts freestyle dance competition.*

*These dancers and other talented dancers and rappers will be performing on both the 25th and 26th June at the campus Arts Festival. We are sure that our performance will once again be the major attraction of festival. Hope to see you there!*



## Grade 8 Business 2009

This year the Grade 8 businesses promise to be bigger and better than ever before. Join us in one of the heated sit down restaurants or grab a tasty treat from one of the many take-away stalls.



The Beach Boyz is a company whose main aim and satisfaction, is to provide food of excellent quality and flavor, great service, and reasonable prices. We are a restaurant who provides take-outs as well. We will be selling delicious burgers, scrumptious Prego rolls (chicken, and beef), our tasty wraps (chicken, and beef), soft drinks, and water.

### Jozi Bois



We will be in a shack on the days that we are selling. On the night of the Arts Festival we will surround ourselves with Christmas lights. We are going to be selling Boerewors rolls, Steak rolls, mini Boerewors rolls, Soup in a cup on the night and bacon rolls in the morning. We will be selling the best meat you have ever tasted so come down to Jozi Bois.

### Portuguese Prego Pros

We are the Portuguese Prego Pros and we will be selling delicious and juicy Portuguese Prego Rolls, Boerewors rolls, Columbus's Cokes and other soft drinks. We know you want them so come to the Prego Pros stall to get them.



Viva La Mexico, come and enjoy the wonderful and exciting ambiance of a true Mexican restaurant. Where you can see the true of side of Mexico and taste some real food, the Mexican way. Our prices are really reasonable, and the food is made from the freshest products and ingredients true quality. We are selling on the 25<sup>th</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2009, in the St Stithians boys' college Chapel Quad, please come and support us during these wonderful days

Other companies at the Festival this year:

Amigos	Big L's	French	Krab Shack	Las Vegas	Lil Rasta
Portuguese	Saints Steak House	Shwarma Arabia	Soulja		
Swiss	Wacky World of Wonka	Wafflers	Sweden		

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