

WORKSHOP EMPOWERS LOCAL ARTISTS

North West Platinum Jazz Festival

Rustenburg - A workshop that was organised under the auspices of the North West Platinum Jazz festival was held at the Rustenburg Civic Centre on Tuesday, December 6 with the aim of empowering up and coming music artists.

The MEC of Sport, Arts and Culture, Honourable Patrick Chauke and the Bojanala Platinum District Municipality MMC for Local Economic Development, Cllr W. Moleko were amongst those who attended the workshops together with artists such as KB, Mphoza and Cuebur. During his keynote address, MEC Chauke explained that Mmabana - which is supposed to nurture and develop artistic talent in the North West - was no longer serving its purpose.

"I am sure you will agree with me that Mmabana has collapsed," he said. "We are in the process of making sure that we put in place a leadership that will serve the interests of young artists in the Province because the government cannot continue pumping money into Mmabana without the artists benefiting anything from this. "Our artists should be able to benefit from Mmabana because this is the ultimate purpose of the organization. There is a lot of talent in the Province." MEC

Chauke said. He added that artists who are based in the North West should return to the Province and also help with the revival of the arts industry. "We are setting up an arts school and in February or March next year it should be ready. We want our artists to be honed and developed." he said. MMC Moleko also encouraged young artists to derive as much benefit as they could from the workshop. "You should all use the skills you get here to improve yourselves," MMC Moleko said. The people who attended were taken through sessions by Vick Lavender, KB, Mphoza and Cuebur focusing on various aspects of music production.



Cllr. Louis Diremelo,
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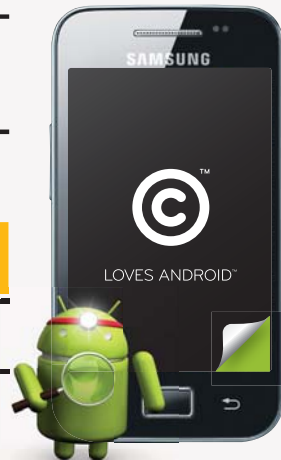
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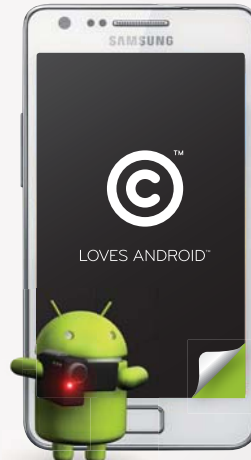
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