



Press Release

PARTY BACKSTAGE! **FRIDAY DECEMBER 23 @ 6.30PM**

Life ain't always sweet, but Backstage presents an array of Christmas (eye) candy with our Christmas show that debuts Vulindlela College's Girl and Boy bands.

The party night takes place at Emanzini (the old Duke's Bar) and has boy band (Gyles, Duma and CJ) and girl band (Lerato, Melissa and Frankie) pitching against each other with songs like "White Christmas (featuring the Girl Band)", "Love Is All Around" (featuring the Boy Band), and "Christmas Carol Funky Sing-off" (featuring the Boy Band vs the Girl Band).

This all takes place at Emanzini, where the new-look image is unveiled. (Club partners, Chippa, Sgolwane and Zinzi have finally agreed on the theme, décor and marketing plan).

Pieter Du Plooy, Backstage Art Director, says it's a complete redesign. "It took me and the team approximately two weeks to complete - but we delayed the showing of the set on purpose - we had to make it look like a work in progress, to accommodate the Backstage storyline.

"It was a bit tricky not to reveal the final result as we wanted to surprise our viewers by having the launch of Emanzini and the Christmas show in one episode. We finally had to work through the night on the day before we shot the Christmas episode in order to achieve just that.

"The vibe we wanted was an Afro chic, retro, contemporary club feel. A funky colourful venue where young - or more mature customers - can have a good time, whether watching bands at night or having breakfast in the early hours of the next morning! "

But a new set and Christmas medleys are not all our special show is about. In true Backstage style, there's drama amidst the Christmas cheer (rather like the annual family get together) when Roxanne learns shocking facts about Ziggy's past, Duma gets BAD news and Sebastian is confronted with a troublesome choice.

Indulge yourself (responsibly now!) this Christmas
Switch on Backstage...and every festive light in the house...
Friday December 23 @ 6.30pm

For festive photos of our guys and gals, please contact:

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