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### **STAR STRUCK! SIYABONGA** **TX Monday July 28** **Rhythm City, weekdays, 6.30pm**

Siyabonga (Clayton Misoya), the slick, smart, and ambitious executive producer of Star Struck! - the live reality TV talent show that's set to spark Rhythm City will make his debut on Rhythm City on Monday, July 28.

Seriously good-looking Siya got straight into the biz after graduating from film school. Flagged and fast tracked by his employers, he went from making tea to making deals within two years. He is very hands-on and has almost sole discretion as to who makes it through the first rounds of the contest.

Beautiful, brilliant, and reckless matric student, Tshidi Khuse (Nokuthula Ledwaba), will prove to be a main attraction during the run of the show, which is endorsed by David Genaro (Jamie Bartlett)'s 9Nine FM. The main prize is an exclusive recording contract with Redemption Records.

All initial auditions, heats, and call backs during the selection phase of 10 contestants – a six week period - will be held at the Kilowatt Club, owned by Suffocate (Mduduzi Mabaso). To handle the huge promotion, which is a great source of revenue, Suffo will form an informal partnership with his friend Fats (Mpho Molepo), who also manages the KO Sports Palace (whenever he remembers).

This particular storyline has the club also hosting the live broadcasts of the official episodes of Star Struck! These will be held over eight weeks, during which the 10 contestants will compete (with weekly eliminations) for the chance to win big time fame and fortune. The esteemed panel of judges includes dark David, the new head of Redemption Records. There will also be surprise guest performances by real-life celebs during the sparkling run of Star Struck!

Of course there are plenty scenes of the outrageously ugly backstabbing, petty jealousies, needle-shot nerves, exhausting rehearsals, frantic preparations, and red hot secrets that Dare Not Be Exposed - all pre-requisites before any finale and winner's announcement.

However, that's another tale for the telling (and we will!) nearer the climax of this competition.

Clayton's special skills are listed as presenting (Selimathunzi being one example), acting, martial arts, soccer, and table tennis. He has a Diploma in Dance from the New Africa Theatres' Association. Clayton has appeared in Interrogation Room, Generations, Hard Copy, and Tshisa. He's featured in the BBC production, Bones, and recently finished shooting a 65-episode series, Seduction 101, for a commercial channel.

He describes himself as a perfectionist who feels uncomfortable about watching himself on screen. His favourite movies are Training Day, Scarface, American Gangster, Miami Vice, and Goodfellas. Clayton likes playing pool and radio DJing. If he could date anyone on this planet, it would be international actress and model Stacy Dash. "It's really deadly to be that beautiful." His most challenging role was a couple of years ago, "when I had to slap my co-actor, who was female, and that was quite revolting."

The wildest thing he's ever done is to get on a bus to Jozi, from Gugulethu, five years ago, not knowing what to expect future wise. What moment would Clayton define as super special? "Every time my mother tells me she loves me, and I tell her I love her, too."

The maker and breaker of a (Star Struck!) career...it's all up to mover and shaker Siyabonga – from Monday July 28 - in Rhythm City, weekdays, at 6.30pm.