



Press Release

They do? They don't? They do! DUKE AND KATLEGO WADE IN TO WEDDED BLISS ON BACKSTAGE

TX: Thursday July 21 at 6.30pm

Is it a glorious celebration of love conquering all? Katlego, wooed and won by Duke, finally marries her man with family, friends and Vulindlela College students in attendance, during a simple yet elegant (the bride wears traditional dress) winter ceremony held in Johannesburg's Botanical Gardens.

A Love Story... From the beginning of the year Duke has been doing his utmost to find *the meaning of life*. "Who am I?" was the question he put to himself when he decided to sponsor Ziggy's (Charl Timotheus) film about... well, who else but himself? "Am I a common criminal? Am I a drug dealer? Isn't there more to life than this?" Duke decided that there was and became interested in not just the art of double dealings... but the Arts themselves.

Take his mentoring of Chippa (Loyiso Mangena), for instance. He has protected the young singer from Mike's blackmailing schemes and financed his CD launch. But a restless Duke (Carlo Radebe), with the most unsavoury past, still grappled with the fact that there was something missing in his life...

Love Is In The Air... And then, one night at his club, Katlego Rathebe (Baby Cele) sang about love and life and broken hearts. The chord she struck as she sang was more than just a musical chord... it was an emotional chord that resounded through Duke's entire being. In her he recognised his own loneliness. And it dawned on him then: *Duke Ngcobo Should Have A Wife*.

Love Hurts... (for whom does the bell toll?) Loneliness has a cunning way of overcoming any objections as to why two people should be together. So the careful courting began. Ipeleng (Grace Mahlaba), Katlego's closest friend, has serious doubts and concerns about the match and has bluntly said so - pushing their friendship to the limits. Mpumi (Sello Motloung), Katlego's previous, now pining suitor, usually a gentle and kind man, has been driven to plot and plan in a jealous frenzy... Mike Jennings (David Dukas), whose influence over Duke has diminished, is the dark shadow that keeps Duke's criminal ambitions alive: whether it's dealing drugs, diamonds or just maintaining an overt rule of fear and crime, our manipulative Mike is always at Duke's shoulder, goading him to return to a life of dangerous doings.

But A Match Made in Heaven? Katlego, a talented singer, teacher and spiritual mother to her music students, hoards her own secrets, including that of having an addictive personality (remember her coke habit?), with her previous attempts at finding love failing miserably. He is... Duke. Can Katlego change her man? Will she prove to the world that he is, beneath that dubious surface, a true humanitarian who only needs love and support to reveal his true worth? Will Katlego and Duke ever find true happiness?

***No matter what you believe, The Wedding is on!
(So is the reception afterwards)***

***And you're cordially invited to attend: Backstage - Thursday July 21 at 6.30pm
Only on e.***

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