



PRESS RELEASE

Rhythm City: The uninvited (umlungu) guest!

Wednesday 10 October at 6.30pm

Chanelle Candice Rudder visits Rhythm City, as of Wednesday October 10, in the guest role of Roxanne Bannon, the new best friend of Tshidi (Nokuthula Ledwaba).

Roxanne invites herself into the Khuse household and immediately makes herself at home with the family. She's rich. She's umlungu (white). She's also emotionally needy.

Flirty-flighty Roxanne only started attending St Magdalene Convent a couple of months ago. She and Tshidi have become really close friends during rehearsals for their school play, My Fair Lady. Roxanne is an only child. Her parents have their own busy work and social schedules - in and out of the country. They don't pay much attention to her, so with only a housekeeper for company at home, Roxanne seeks outside sources for attention and affection. She is an excellent student and has an outgoing personality (make that loud and extremely sexually aware).

To prove a point: watch her hit on Suffocate (Mduduzi Mabaso) and Tshidi's brother, Stone (Zenzo Ngqobe). Fats (Mpho Molepo) fast becomes a friend, too.

Mamokete (Connie Chiume) and Kop (Setlhabi Taunyane) will provide spoilt Roxanne with the family atmosphere of warmth, security, and discipline that she craves. Roxanne, in turn, will teach Tshidi to understand the value of being a member of a strong family unit like the Khuses.

"Playing the role of Roxanne has provided me with a wonderful opportunity to depict a view of the township and African culture, of which, in reality, a lot of people are still unaware," says Chanelle.

CC (that's her nickname!) left her home in KZN to make it big in Jozi. She first studied at Crawford College and then enrolled at the National School of Arts to study Drama. She matriculated in 2005.

She loves motor biking, scuba diving, stunt performing, rock climbing and abseiling. She also enjoys listening to live bands, comedy performances and poetry readings. Her favourite holiday destinations include Tibet, the Amazon, Egypt, The Red Sea, Brazil, Japan, and anywhere in Africa. In her music collection you will find anything from Nina Simone to Linkin Park. She'll dance to any tune by Johnny Clegg, Lady Smith Black Mambazo, Aretha Franklin, and Faithless.

CC, 20, has appeared in Footskating 101, Angels Song, One Way, and Soul City. Her favourite restaurants are Moyo, Orient, and the Meat Company, "but nothing beats my mother's cooking". Her taste in meals: a good tropical salad, a well-done fillet and veggies, chicken and chips - and fish from the Cape Town Market.

Her top movies: Irreversible, Conversations on a Sunday Afternoon, Old Boy, Yesterday, Blood Diamond, and Hostel. Her best books: Race, Anatomy of South Africa; Steve Biko - I Write What I Like, Art of War; Political Philosophy and Political Management of HIV & AIDS.

For photos of stunning Chanelle and the Khuse family, please contact:

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