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A NEW ERA BECKONS

We don't know about you, but we're filled with lots of hope this month especially with news of the Covid-19 vaccine rollouts across South Africa. With this said, a new era across all your favourite eMedia content is upon us, and we present to you, our love language!

THE MORNING SHOW

In this issue of ePages, please join us in welcoming seasoned broadcaster Pabi Moloi to one of South Africa's best loved breakfast shows, The Morning Show. The stunning and super talented Moloi joins a stellar cast and a new set that will surely make The Morning Show the best part of waking up Mondays-Fridays between 6AM - 8.30AM.

SCANDAL!

We have a Kasi Shakespeare in the streets of Scandal! and he is here to mesmerise, steal from the rich and give to the poor. In what has been to some, an unusual casting for one of South Africa and e. tv's top performing daily soaps, Scandal! has introduced us to Nhlamulo, an exciting character played by Matthews Rantsoma. Nhlamulo uses his "sePitori" lingo not only to get into Lindiwe's heart, but to leave some searching their pockets in disbelief.

IMBEWU

South Africa's popular soapie, IMBEWU will continue entertaining all of us with another exciting season. The weekdays 9:30PM drama-filled soapie saw exciting storylines in 2020 which will continue in 2021 to ensure they hold on to their number 1 spot made possible by loyal viewers of the show. The leads, played by the formidable Leleti Khumalo, Thembi Mtshali and Jailoshini Naidoo, have seen the show introducing other young exciting talent with an injection of new and thrilling storylines. Join us Mondays-Fridays, at 9:30PM to watch your favourite soap.



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To all our readers, we say jump onto the bandwagon and ride with us as a new era has begun with loads more content to come. Enjoy reading the third issue of ePages packaged with much love, for your leisure.

BRIEF BIO

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- Makatseng Mokome

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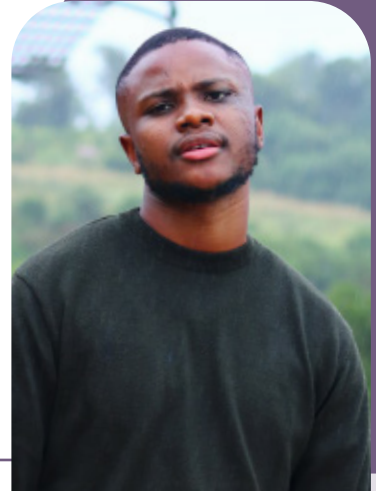
TENDANI MATHAGU

"Wiggle your big toe", this is a quote that sums up Tendani's outlook on life. What this quote means to Tendani, is to just start. Whatever it is you would like to achieve, just start. Tendani is a proud Venda man, and was born in Thohoyandou. He is also a lover of the fine arts, and is a painter himself. If it were up to him, every moment in life would have a soundtrack like they do in the movies.



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Thapelo is an integral part of the eMedia Investments Marketing Team. He is from the East Rand of Gauteng and considers himself a "beverage" and food aficionado, a content creator, liker of things, and a football enthusiast with an infectious smile and a positive "can do" energy. Thapelo's current portfolio includes integrated marketing strategies for e.tv local shows as well as driving publicity.

THE MORNING SHOW

New Look, New Member - The Morning Show Revamped.

The month of March brings new beginnings for The Morning Show as they welcome a new family member, and a brand-new set. Pabi Moloï, renowned broadcaster joins The Morning Show as a key anchor and will be working alongside Will and Neli providing the audiences with a fresh new face, fresh new opinions, and a brand-new set. When asked what prompted the move from radio back to television, she elaborated on a personal need for expansion and the pursuit of new challenges.

At the grassroots level, Pabi's love for television presenting lay in her ability to communicate well. This ability has since evolved into a passion for producing content. The world of media exposed her to more than she anticipated when she started. She cites skills, discipline and routine for keeping her intrigued and inspired to go further in this world she is firmly part of. Pabi brings a new atmosphere to The Morning Show with her quest for the perfect balance between lifestyle and news. Pabi says she is looking forward to bringing the essence of radio content that resonated with listeners to the television screens. She also looks forward to working with her new co-anchors, William and Nelisiwe, describing the energy between the production team - writers, editors and camera operators - as beautiful.

Pabi's final remarks were the words of a lady who is excited and looks forward to her new journey with The Morning Show. When asked if she considers herself a morning person, she responded by describing herself as an all-day person thanks to her four years experience of early mornings being a mother. Pabi looks forward to forging deep and meaningful connections with her co-workers and audience.





A WHOLE NEW SET

Turns out Pabi isn't the only thing that's new about The Morning Show. They've just upped the ante by building an entire new set based in Sandton, Johannesburg.



The new set was inspired by the desire to provide the audience with an all-round experience. This led the production company Cheeky Media to design and produce a brand-new rustic and modern set intended to be aspirational and to set the tone for a great start to the day for the audiences.

After lockdown, The Morning Show had been filming in a greenscreen studio. Needless to say, the designing of a new set was a welcomed step. It was designed from scratch in order to create the perfect space to complement the show's new look and feel. Dubbed the best set in the country, The Morning Show set is unrivaled.

It took an intense two weeks to complete, some days working round the clock. The construction was an all-round team effort that gave birth to a studio space with multiple setups - a green screen, functional kitchen, change room, make-up room, green room and a performance area on the same floor. This allows the crew to constantly change things up and add games and guests as needed.

Be sure to wake up bright and early for The Morning Show weekdays from 6AM - 8:30AM.

- Tendani Mathagu

BREAKFAST TRIO UNFILTERED

The Morning Show is hosted by the ever-so-grand breakfast trio which includes William, last name Lehong, Nelisiwe Mmape plus the latest addition and broadcast sensation Pabi Moloi. It's no secret that these anchors wake up bright and early in the morning to keep viewers informed on the latest in news, sports and lifestyle - But how much do we really know about them?

So here are a few questions that will keep you up to speed on who's really who, what they get up to and if they really like getting up early in the morning, or not.

THIS OR THAT?

Get to know what Pabi, William and Nelisiwe's preferences are:



Pabi Moloi

- Hmmm trucks, really.

TV or Radio?

Both.

Cats or Dogs?

Dogs.

Coffee or Tea?

Coffee.

Text message or Call?

Text.

Love or Money?

Money for doing what I love.

Coca-Cola or Pepsi?

Water.

Comedy or Horror?

Comedy.

Piercings or Tattoos?

Piercings.

Family or Friends?

Family.

Cars or Trucks?

Trucks.



Nelisiwe Mmape

- Seems like Neli is not the type for any sort of beverage.

TV or Radio?

TV. I think TV has the ability to be much more engaging with the viewer in the sense that they see whoever they are listening to and can connect with emotions through the visuals. Now more than ever, especially with the various ways of viewing content, TV/visual content has become an inescapable part of modern-day culture.

Cats or Dogs?

Uhm...neither. I'm not a big fan of animals. Sorry to all the animal lovers.

Coffee or Tea?

Tea. I don't do well with lots of caffeine. I also do tea a favour, from time to time. I'm just not that into hot beverages.

Text message or Call?

Text, please. I can read and respond to a text even if I'm in a meeting or just having a busy day. I don't have to stop what I'm doing, move to a quiet place, just to hear you say exactly what you could have texted to me. Even better, you can send me a VN.

Love or Money?

Why can't I have both? You shouldn't have to live without either one.

Coca-Cola or Pepsi?

Andizi.

Comedy or Horror?

Comedy. There's nothing I enjoy quite like laughing. A good laugh heals a lot of hurt and in such hard times, we are reminded that laughter is probably the one contagious thing you'd want to catch.

Piercings or Tattoos?

Piercings, and this is only because I had a tongue ring, once upon a time.

Family or Friends?

Family. These are my true friends.

Cars or Trucks?

Cars. I'm too small for a truck and I can parallel park, so truck for who?



William Lehong

- Not an animal guy.

TV or Radio?

TV. I get to form a real connection with our audience who actually see what I look like.

Cats or Dogs?

Neither. I'm not a cat or dog person. I'm scared of both. I've been scratched and bitten by both on numerous occasions.

Coffee or Tea?

Tea. I love honey gingered tea every morning, it helps with soothing and warms my voice up.

Text message or Call?

Text message. I still obsess over correct spelling, punctuation marks in texts. Bad habit.

Love or Money?

Definitely love. I'm driven and inspired by it, plus I exist because of it. Love wins. All the time.

Coca-Cola or Pepsi?

Coke. Coca-Cola slaps different every time.

Comedy or Horror?

Comedy. I'm naturally a funny guy, sometimes without thinking about it, I'm always laughing - at myself mostly.

Piercings or Tattoos?

Tattoos. I love tattoos on others. I still have to sum up the courage to tattoo my sleeve. Wish me luck.

Family or Friends?

Family. I've created family from the friends I've made over the years because we've become family.

Cars or Trucks?

Cars. Full stop. I love big cars, sporty rides, fancy wheels. All of it. I'm here for it.

Be sure to catch The Morning Show weekdays from 6AM - 8:30AM for your morning tea.

- Thapelo Ramatsui



5 WITH MXOLISI "ZULUBOY" 20 IN MAJOZI AKA MACGYVER. 20 20 QUESTIONS IN A 5-MINUTE READ.

To a few he's known as Mxolisi Majozi, some know him as Zuluboy but most know him from Durban Gen as MacGyver - the paramedic always looking for a get rich quick scheme. ePages caught up with the prolific actor so he could answer 20 questions in 5 minutes. So let's get to who Mxolisi really is!



1. Describe Mxolisi Majozi in one sentence?

As an entertainer.

2. Describe MacGyver in a sentence?

S'Gudi S'Naysi.

3. When did the acting bug bite?

It started in school, I used to love acting like Joe Mafela from S'Gudi S'Naysi, however, I got my break when I was given the opportunity to audition for the role of Zakes on Soul City 9 and since then I never looked back.

4. What inspired your love for music?

I see music as something one is born with, but what really inspired my love for music was back in 1994 when I first walked into a club and I heard loud music, saw people dancing and all the lights. But growing up I didn't spend much time with many people so I would always be in my room. And from all that time spent in my room that's when I started writing lyrics to music.

5. What was your first ever job?

Between washing cars in Kwa-Mashu or being a taxi conductor.

6. If you weren't an actor or musician, which career would you opt for and why?

I'd probably be in a foundation, changing people's lives because I believe we do more in changing the lives of others.

7. What's your favourite genre of music?

For me music is mood, it is based on what I'm feeling in that moment, but if I had to put a name to the type of music I listen to I'd call it thought provoking music. That would range from classical music because I've been classically trained at school, or if I feel like Hip Hop, I would listen to Black Thought, or if I'm feeling like Zuluboy I would listen to Maskandi.

8. What has been your most favourite Durban Gen episode thus far?

That would have to be the episode where I had to fetch my loins from the fridge at the sperm bank, that was my most favourite to shoot.

9. What is the best piece of advice you've ever received?

It would have to be from Chief Albert Luthuli's late grandson who was a dear friend, we met at Zola 7's house and he told me something really profound, "The day you stop listening is the day you stop growing and the day you stop dreaming is the day you stop living".

10. What advice would you give to your younger self?

Stay in school. As much as we are destined for certain career paths, I believe it would be beneficial to have a certain qualification to sustain myself. We all know that the industry I'm in has its ups and downs, one day I'll be employed, the next I won't.

11. What similarities do you share with MacGyver?

I am MacGyver - I feel like when they wrote this character, they had me in mind because we share so many similarities, hence I say I am MacGyver.

12. Do you have a hidden talent?

I play a few musical instruments like piano, drums and bass.

13. Let's say a book was written about you, who would you want to write your biography?

My daughters, I feel like it would give them the opportunity to find out more about their dad because I've given myself to the whole world and it would give them the chance to find all the bread crumbs I left behind for them.

14. On average how many hours of sleep do you get every night?

Roughly 7 hours but I wish I had more like 10.

15. What's the first thing you think about in the morning?

Mostly work - my call times are usually at 5AM so most of the time I think about work first before anything else.

16. What lessons have you learned from playing MacGyver?

It has to be the relationship between MaCele, BabGumede, Calvin and MacGyver - most people don't appreciate their parents while they are still around. Currently in the story MacGyver doesn't have any parents but he sees MaCele and BabGumede as parental figures in his life and he is always there for them.

17. How would you describe your perfect Sunday afternoon?

Chilling with my fiancé resting and sipping on wine.

18. How has your experience on Durban Gen been?

It has been interesting and cool, I believe we bring calm and ease to families because I was picked to play this role during a difficult time in the country, we were on level 4 of lockdown. And when we started, we had an energy that was unshakeable on set from cast to crew.

19. Any interesting medical terms that you've learnt?

Yes! So there are terms that a paramedic would say when there's been a car accident, and this is how they would speak on their walkie talkies - they separate everything into P's starting from P1 - P4, with P4 being where no one responds except for the pathologist and P1 being someone who is critically injured and needs advanced life support. Also, I have new-found respect for paramedics.

20. What can viewers expect from MacGyver in the upcoming weeks?

Well all I can say is expect to see MacGyver and Calvin getting rich soon.

Be sure to not miss Mxolisi as MacGyver on Durban Gen, weekdays at 6:30PM on e.tv.

- Thapelo Ramatsui

MONEY MAKES THE WORLD GO ROUND!

Matthews Rantsoma enters Scandal! as Nhlamulo Maseko

The popular, most-watched e.tv drama Scandal! has done it again as it continues to pave the way for new talent with the introduction of actor, Matthews Rantsoma who plays Nhlamulo Maseko - the infamous "Kasi Shakespeare".

He is one that walks the walk and talks the talk, the moneymaker through Forex trading with all the ladies wanting to be with him and all the gents wanting to be like him. He finally finds his soul mate, one he can never let go, Lindiwe. With his charm and charisma, he ensures that he wins her over with gifts and his Shakespearean lingo.

WHO IS MATTHEWS?

Matthews Rantsoma's first major role took Scandal! by storm - ePages arranged an exclusive interview with Mr. Rantsoma himself just to find out a little bit more about the man behind the character.

Rantsoma's love for the arts started 10 years ago, when he graced the theatre stage. Describing those days as "difficult yet very rewarding", Rantsoma offers personal advice, "I guess the best way I can encourage someone is to let you know that patience while working is your biggest commodity. It's a long journey, just teach yourself to enjoy it", he said.



FUN FACTS ABOUT MATTHEWS

- Nhlamulo on Scandal! is his biggest role to date.
- Perfect Sunday afternoon: Listening to jazz and going over scripts.

WHAT TO EXPECT?

Nomvelo who plays Lindiwe says that the Scandal! drama will only escalate. Expect the unexpected. Things will get tricky when we find that Nhlamulo is actually a father of two. And, he will involve Lindiwe and her mother in what seems to be a run-in with the law. This begs the question: Is Nhlamulo in Lindiwe's life for all the right reasons?

- Karabo Nkabinde

SCANDAL! INTRODUCES ITS FIRST DEAF ACTOR – THANDO PLAYED BY MXOLISI NODOM

On Friday 5th of March, highly-rated e.tv soap Scandal! introduced its first-ever deaf actor, Thando, played by the talented Mxolisi Nodom.

Although he was born in Durban, Mxolisi actually grew up in Kimberley. But his passion for acting was ignited when he moved to Cape Town. Storytelling is what he loves most and this prompted Mxolisi to enter an arts competition hosted by the Deaf Schools of South Africa called "Zwakala". Then, when he heard Scandal! was looking for a deaf actor, he immediately jumped at the opportunity and never looked back.

Thando comes onto the scene as Violetta's brother. He is alerted to the sudden disappearance of his sister when he fails to receive payment for his school fees which Violetta always paid on time. Thando proves himself to be a fearless character who is not afraid to face the notorious Mamba to find out his sister's fate. As his suspicions grow, it becomes clear Thando will stop at nothing to find his sister, despite Mamba's efforts to derail his quest.

Stay tuned to see Mxolisi Nodom shine in his first professional TV role. With a debut like his, expect to see a lot more of this talented rising star.

Scandal! airs weekdays, at 7:30PM, only on e.tv

- Karabo Nkabinde



IMBEWU - SEASON 4



The much-loved South African drama Imbewu has graced our screens for a good three seasons on e.tv. Every night at 9:30PM.

The Grapevine Productions show has delivered stories that are authentic, riveting and mirror the reality of many. Leading up to the fourth season of the show, ePages caught up with Imbewu's senior staff writer Daniel Webster to find out all things Imbewu, with a glimpse of season 4.

THE WORLD OF IMBEWU

We take a look at IMBEWU's journey from inception and what the future holds. IMBEWU is a show set in Durban, KwaZulu-Natal, and rooted in traditional isiZulu and Hindu customs and practices.

IMBEWU seeks to explore the beauty, the challenges and the niche elements within the cultures and relate to the families in its world, in a personal way. IMBEWU is centred around the conflict between the Bhengu and the Rampersad families, with deceit, betrayal, infidelity, death, love, and secrets prevalent in these two families' interactions. Duma Ndlovu sought the creation of a show based on an old isiZulu custom that suggests - should a man in a family be found to be infertile, it is then expected of his brother to sire offspring on his behalf. This custom or practice is undertaken without the infertile brother's knowledge and is meant to remain a secret. The story has evolved from the revelation that Phakade, Zimele's biological brother fathered Zimele's children whom he thought were his own for all his married life.

EVOLUTION OF MAZULU

MaZulu, played by Leleti Khumalo, was first seen as just a rich, traditional housewife who wanted nothing but the best for her family and was devoted to her husband, Zimele. MaZulu has since evolved beyond being a meek, agreeable woman after suffering the loss of her eldest son Nganono. She's gone from fracturing her marriage and rupturing her entire family, to being cursed by dark magical forces, to losing her husband in a tragic assassination intended for her, to almost losing her mind completely. The flawed character of MaZulu has undergone the worst form of penance in all of South African television. Somehow she managed to rise above it all and continues to grow to the great heights where she is now contesting to run Maluju oil and is a shareholder in a rival company Shongololo oil, which is owned by her son Zithulele.

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM SEASON 4?

With season 4 on the way, one cannot help but wonder what the series has in store for its devout viewers. With a reputation for pushing boundaries in the stories told, IMBEWU seeks to continue its legacy of giving the audience dramatic, entertaining and unusual stories. This anticipated season, is centred around history repeating itself with more riveting and dramatic stories than any of the previous seasons. Viewers will see characters transform into new beings, and some returning to their old ways. We will have some new faces, and some old ones returning too. Battle-lines will be drawn and family will turn against family, while new alliances will be born and old ones broken by betrayal and deceit. The angel of death is ever-present in the show, as well as the cupid of love. But, all will take unexpected turns, proving that IMBEWU is the best show on South African television.

THE MOST MEMORABLE STORY

The story of MaZulu and Phakade, a relationship born out of practicality, became romance, then turned into a co-dependent relationship and a second affair which ultimately lead to them turning on each other. This has been one of the most difficult stories to tell as they were never intended to be portrayed in a bad light, since they were both married. The question of whether Phakade and MaZulu loved each other more than their respective partners plagued the writers. They deliberated whether officially bringing them together would be what audience wanted and the most natural thing for the characters. In true IMBEWU fashion, the two characters' first affair brought life, and the second affair brought death.

WHEN IMBEWU SHOOK THE WORLD

IMBEWU shook the world from its inception with the very secret the show was built on coming to light. This revelation was important for IMBEWU and is still the reason we remain glued to our screens today. The leaking of this secret resulted in the explosion of stories birthed from this revelation. Nkululeko's arrival into the world of IMBEWU heightened emotions and caused confusion as he was introduced as the biological son of Zimele who was believed to be infertile at the time. Nkululeko's arrival came at a time when our lead character's life was unravelling. He hated his family and most of them hated him when he unleashed his wrath, after the secret was revealed. When Nkululeko arrived, everyone's plans to take revenge on Zimele were instantly derailed and it started a panic. Once again Zimele had a legacy to work towards but only now, his family wasn't included. And threatened by Nkululeko, they all suddenly wanted a piece of the legacy. This was a massive moment on so many interpersonal levels for the other characters in the story but more so for Zimele. The quintessential moments, the atom bombs of the story thus far are the deaths of Zimele and Pranav, the two oil tycoons and the leaders of the families. The death of these two characters begged the question - when the two patriarchs of the families and business are gone, where does that leave everyone else? We witness how it shook our world, but it produces some of the best character development and most entertaining stories. As one example, everyone loves to hate Thokozile, she is the cause and result of that.

COVID AND PRODUCTION

COVID caught us all off-guard. However, we were blessed to have shot many episodes in advance to see us through the hard lockdown. But when we got back, it was a totally different set of working protocols. We had to adjust many of our stories to suit COVID regulations, which meant tonnes of script re-writes, while still shooting to make up episodes in case of another lockdown or in the event an actor or crew member contracted the virus forcing us to shut down production for two to three weeks.

Also, the way we shoot the show had to be adjusted because we were racing against the clock, trying to get ahead of broadcast dates and the countrywide curfews. The risk of not being able to deliver the story because of the COVID constraints was a reality the production team had to face every day.

WORDS FROM IMBEWU'S SENIOR STAFF WRITER AND SCRIPT WRITER DANIEL WEBSTER TO ASPIRING FILMMAKERS

"If you're passionate enough, if you love tv and movies or performing arts enough, and there's nothing else you could possibly see yourself doing, then do it. But understand that it is very difficult, and low down the tv production food chain is where you will start, no doubt. You have to have the integrity, perseverance, determination and work ethic to be successful in this business. It isn't glamour and flashing lights like it looks on TV. It's sitting in a dark room, quietly for 12 hours a day, watching grown-ups play pretend, LOL. Be open to learning new things and taking constructive criticism. It isn't a field for the faint of heart, it's high intensity, go, go, go, everyday chaos. But it is the most beautiful and rewarding at the same time. Be the person who finds solutions, not problems because every set is dealing with some kind of problems, every second of the day and it requires assets, not liabilities. Most importantly, find and tell the stories that are authentic, true, and engaging. Pick your audience and worship at the altar of giving them everything that they need for life, in your story. That's what it has to feel like. Once you have a great entertaining story with compelling and unique characters and an audience... then you have a show. The next part is to find a broadcaster (luckily, we have e.tv) who believes in you and your story. That is always the hardest part. It will mean being rejected a lot, and failing a lot. But you have to give your audience this story because their lives depend on it. So, you have to keep pushing forward until you get that "YES" no matter what. Lastly, have fun, I know it sounds cliché but it's true. This is art and creation, meant to entertain or inform. The best creations come to life when it's fun to do."

- Thapelo Ramatsui



Stay glued to your TV screens weeknights at 9:30PM and be on the look out for Season 4 of IMBEWU which airs from the 9th of April 2021.

OPENVIEW CONNECT

The easiest connection you'll ever make.

Openview, the free satellite television service and part of the eMedia Investments Group, is pleased to announce the launch of its very own Wi-Fi enabler (dongle) - Openview Connect, in partnership with Vodacom as the prepaid mobile data provider.

Openview Connect will enable, through the Openview set-top box, Wi-Fi connectivity in homes that remain unserved by fibre networks. It is poised to provide first access with a simple, practical solution that brings immediate benefits to any Openview household that is not yet connected through fibre or other means. Target homes can also benefit from Wi-Fi connectivity on a pay-as-you-go basis. The Openview Connect data dongle will drive increased connectivity for families across South Africa and subsequently act as a plug-and-play hotspot for Openview-enabled homes that wish to Get Connected and Stay Connected. For a once-off fee of R599, Openview customers can enjoy up to 10 devices simultaneously connected with operating data rates of up to 150 Mbps speed on 4G LTE – lightning-fast compared to most home fibre connectivity options. The tangible benefits this connectivity can bring to communities across South Africa are multifold and life-changing.

On a social level, Openview Connect can help households stay in touch with friends and family. Besides providing instant access to news and information, eLearning platforms like Vodacom e-school, free-to-browse career websites for job seekers, and even parenting advice are all available free of data charges. Openview customers can RICA their Vodacom prepaid SIMs by downloading the My Vodacom App and clicking on the 'RICA a Friend' tab. They also have the option to RICA in person at any Vodacom participating outlet.

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DURBAN GEN EPISODES: 129-150

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EPISODE 129

TX: THURSDAY - 01 APRIL 2021

Pressure mounts as Mbali prepares herself for virginity testing ahead of Umemulo while, back at the hospital, everyone finds out that Ngcobo needs treatment.

EPISODE 130

TX: FRIDAY - 02 APRIL 2021

Mbali passes a huge test but the victory is bittersweet. It's confrontation time as Zondo learns the truth about a fellow colleague. A hand becomes a subject of interest, again.

EPISODE 131

TX: MONDAY - 05 APRIL 2021

Mrs. Dlamini decides to take charge of the traditional wedding preparations. Lindelani stumbles upon new information about Mbali, while a famous socialite's husband gets admitted at Durban Gen.

EPISODE 132

TX DATE: TUESDAY - 06 APRIL 2021

The Dlaminis prepare Mbali to be a wife, while Lindelani makes the decision to pack up at the hospital. Sne annoys a patient's family member.

EPISODE 133

TX: WEDNESDAY - 07 APRIL 2021

Lindelani makes a daring and bold move for Mbali at her wedding with Sibusiso. Precious finds a way to get what she wants from Thabo. The Doctor Luthuli makes a grand entrance at the hospital.

EPISODE 134

TX: THURSDAY - 08 APRIL 2021

Mbali comes face to face with an old enemy. When Luthuli Snr arrives, it's chaos at the hospital. Calvin has his eyes on another man's treasure.

EPISODE 135

TX: FRIDAY - 09 APRIL 2021

Lindelani is all bruised up from trying to stop Mbali and Sibusiso's wedding and Mrs. Dhloomo wants Calvin to do her a huge favour.

EPISODE 136

TX: MONDAY - 12 APRIL 2021

What will Calvin do when faced with the choice of being the heroic nurse or changing his financial situation?

EPISODE 137

TX: TUESDAY - 13 APRIL 2021

While word gets around that Luthuli has decided to up and leave, Calvin only has one thing on his mind; Mr Dhloomo's death. On the other side, Precious bites the bullet and spills the beans to her family.

EPISODE 138

TX: WEDNESDAY - 14 APRIL 2021

Calvin lets MacGyver in on his little secret. Sinqobile is happy to hear that she can keep her butt implants, but is this for the best?

EPISODE 139

TX: THURSDAY 15 APRIL 2021

Thabo is not taking Precious' pregnancy well. A patient dares to escape the hospital and Calvin finds himself spending the wrong money.

Episode 140

TX: FRIDAY - 16 APRIL 2021

Dudu threatens to put Sinqobile out of work should she put her health first instead of her profession. Precious finds out that Thabo knows the truth. MacGyver convinces Calvin to start blowing the money.

Episode 141

TX: MONDAY - 19 APRIL 2021

Tension rises in the Dlamini house and Thabo starts to investigate Precious' pregnancy. Sne's past just doesn't want to stay hidden. Calvin and MacGyver become crime victims.

Episode 142

TX: TUESDAY - 20 APRIL 2021

Precious enlists Sibusiso's help to throw Thabo off-trail. Lindelani and Ndlovu's friendship is strengthened. Calvin and MacGyver are thrust into a quest to find a missing ambulance.

Episode 143

TX: WEDNESDAY - 21 APRIL 2021

Mbali's slight oversight causes a patient's death and Bab'Gumede taps into unfamiliar territories to deal with his money woes.

Episode 144

TX: THURSDAY - 22 APRIL 2021

Phumeza reveals shocking information about Mbali. Lindelani twists Ndlovu's arm in making a huge decision about a VIP patient. Bab'Gumede gets a surprise visitor that has him running for his life.

Episode 145

TX: FRIDAY - 23 APRIL 2021

Qwabe deals with Ndlovu and Lindelani for taking matters into their own hands. Mr Radebe wants to do things right by his late wife. And Bab'Gumede comes face to face with his unwelcomed guest.

Episode 146

TX: MONDAY - 26 APRIL 2021

There is a go-slow at the hospital while Qwabe wants to revive an old talent.

Episode 147

TX: TUESDAY - 27 APRIL 2021

The nurses threaten a go-slow. Bab'Gumede's financial troubles mount. Qwabe takes a decision that might put her life in danger to save the hospital.

Episode 148

TX: WEDNESDAY - 28 APRIL 2021

Thabo dismisses Precious's pregnancy talk. Qwabe's symptoms return. MacGyver gets a beating on behalf of Bab'Gumede.

Episode 149

TX: THURSDAY - 29 APRIL 2021

Qwabe performs her first surgery in years and something goes horribly wrong. Thabo continues to give Precious the cold shoulder. Bab'Gumede deals with a pest.

Episode 150

TX: FRIDAY - 30 APRIL 2021

Lindelani and Ndlovu butt heads on what to tell Qwabe about her health. Sne takes pleasure out of seeing the doctors squirm without the help of nurses.

RHYTHM CITY EPISODES: 3584 - 3605

APRIL EPISODES: 3584 - 3605

EPISODE 3584

TX: THURSDAY - 1 APRIL 2021

Pearl is feeling sidelined by Sonto and asks to resume her Biblical training and conversion course. Sonto takes the opportunity to abase and humiliate her. Pule teases Mzi, but realises the depth of his feelings for Pearl.

EPISODE 3585

TX: FRIDAY - 2 APRIL 2021

When Pearl doesn't show up for her lessons with Sonto, Sonto pitches up at Red and finds Pearl and Ziyanda drinking and tipsy. Sonto reports the matter to Pastor Makoro, who doesn't take it very well.

EPISODE 3586

TX: MONDAY - 5 APRIL 2021

Suffocate tells Sonto that Mzi has been spending time with Pearl and she wastes no time making sure that Makoro hears about it. He struggles to keep his insecurity in check and asks her not to have any more 'secret' meetings with Mzi.

EPISODE 3587

TX: TUESDAY - 6 APRIL 2021

Pearl tells Ziyanda she's starting to suspect that Makoro has someone spying on her. Sonto assures him he's not wrong for having doubts about Pearl and she continues to use the conversion lessons to humiliate Pearl. The mounting pressure causes Pearl to defy Makoro and head straight to Mzi.

EPISODE 3588

TX: WEDNESDAY - 7 APRIL 2021

Pearl resists the thought that she is bouncing back towards Mzi, and resolves to make it work with the pastor. Just as Mzi is falling back in love with her, the pastor makes their engagement public, and says they are getting married in two weeks.

EPISODE 3589

TX: THURSDAY - 8 APRIL 2021

Sonto feigns support for Pastor Makoro's engagement, but privately she puts the pressure on Suffocate, and he passes the pressure down onto Mzi, encouraging him to declare his love to Pearl.

EPISODE 3590

TX: FRIDAY - 9 APRIL 2021

Mzi pulls out of the scam with the Ndlovus, refusing to do anything that will hurt Pearl. Pule and Suffocate are not at all happy with him. Pearl is honest with Makoro, telling him about Mzi's confession. He appears to take the news calmly but later goes to threaten Mzi.

EPISODE 3591

TX: MONDAY - 12 APRIL 2021

Suffocate tells Khulekani that their business together is concluded now that Makoro has decided not to proceed with his megachurch in DK. However, things are far from concluded for Sonto. She confronts Suffocate about his failure to destroy the pastor's relationship with Pearl.

EPISODE 3592

TX: TUESDAY - 13 APRIL 2021

Makoro and Sonto deliberate on what to do about the David Genaro issue that is clouding Pearl's past. Sonto deftly plants the idea to have David's body exhumed and consecrated. When Makoro tells Pearl of their intentions, she is horrified.

EPISODE 3593

TX: WEDNESDAY - 14 APRIL 2021

Pearl tells the pastor that she cannot agree to the exhumation of David. Ziyanda agrees with Pearl that this plan to consecrate her father's remains is a very bad one. Despite this, in a full church, Makoro announces to everyone that he will cleanse David. Pearl is stunned.

EPISODE 3594

TX: THURSDAY - 15 APRIL 2021

Pearl is angered by the decision Makoro has made about David's body without her consent. After a conversation with Mzi, Pearl realises she needs to stand up for herself. However, during a heated confrontation with the pastor, Pearl realises she will never be good enough for him.

EPISODE 3595

TX: FRIDAY - 16 APRIL 2021

After a heated confrontation, Pearl breaks it off with Pastor Makoro. When she returns to him to fix things, she finds the pastor in a compromising position with Deaconess Sonto. She decides to drown her sorrows and invites Mzi to join her, much to Pule's intrigue.

EPISODE 3596

TX: MONDAY - 19 APRIL 2021

The Pastor realises the error of his ways and tries to make amends. Pearl gets drunk and an intimate situation with Mzi develops. Pule uses the moment to explode Pearl's relationship with the pastor once and for all.

EPISODE 3597

TX: TUESDAY - 20 APRIL 2021

A furious Mzi takes his rage out on Pule and punches him to the ground. Mzi tries to explain to Pearl that he had nothing to do with what happened but she will not hear him. And the Pastor will not let Pearl explain herself either. Pule tells Suffo that he is not unhappy with what has happened, he did what had to be done, for the family and he will continue to do that.

EPISODE 3598

TX: WEDNESDAY - 21 APRIL 2021

Pearl confides in Ziyanda about her messy love triangle with Mzi and Busang. Makoro allows Pearl to explain herself, but ultimately decides to end their relationship for good. Mzi is still upset with Pule. Puleng confronts Pule about his self-serving reasons for betraying Mzi, but Pule denies it all.

EPISODE 3599

TX: THURSDAY - 22 APRIL 2021

Suffo and Puleng have a disagreement about Mzi and Pule. Sonto goes behind Makoro's back and outs Pearl's "affair" to the tabloids. Pearl vows revenge, thinking the Ndlovus are behind it all. Zak has his first day on campus.

EPISODE 3600

TX: FRIDAY - 23 APRIL 2021

Mzi remains resistant to peace efforts by Suffo. Pule takes his father's mind off things by putting together an impromptu celebration at Kilowatt. Mzi approaches Makoro's journalist in an attempt to make right with Pearl. However, Pearl channels her father when she reveals to Mzi that she has the power to destroy his family.

EPISODE 3601

TX: MONDAY - 26 APRIL 2021

Mzi is shaken after his encounter with Pearl. He shoots down a peace offering from Pule and snaps at his father when Suffocate confronts him about it. Meanwhile, Puleng tells Pule he better start treating her with more respect.

EPISODE 3602

TX: TUESDAY - 27 APRIL 2021

Puleng is angry when Pule brings a strange woman into the house. She tells Suffocate who promises to have a word with him. Meanwhile, Sonto takes one last opportunity to gloat over Pearl about the break up. Fired up, Pearl amps the pressure on Mzi to do what she has demanded and we see him sending a nude pic to a journalist.

EPISODE 3603

TX: WEDNESDAY - 28 APRIL 2021

The journalist has tweeted Mzi's offensive photo of his private parts on cyberspace and a bruhaha is building.

EPISODE 3604

TX: THURSDAY - 29 APRIL 2021

Pearl enjoys her moment of triumph over Mzi and commands him to action a second stage of humiliation. Patrick instructs Mzi to do damage control and he suffers through an excruciating interview on 9-Nine FM.

EPISODE 3605

TX: FRIDAY - 30 APRIL 2021

Pearl puts Mzi in another impossible situation and the strain takes its toll on the Ndlovu family. When he refuses to steal cash from a wealthy client, Pearl assures him that she won't hesitate to put Suffo away for life.



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EPISODE 3792

TX: THURSDAY - 1 APRIL 2021

Kgosi's mission to protect a friend gets some unexpected results. Gloria has a hard time convincing anyone that she is going through a mid-life crisis.

EPISODE 3793

TX: FRIDAY - 2 APRIL 2021

Mamba's rival reveals her secret motivation and he makes a mistake which could cost him. Lindiwe tries to sell her idea to Zinzile's stokvel, oblivious to a shocking revelation. Gloria gets proactive about her future.

EPISODE 3794

TX DATE: MONDAY - 5 APRIL 2021

Mamba is certain that his follow up interview with Hlengiwe will restore his image. Lindiwe receives news that might disrupt her world but she chooses to ignore it. Gloria is on a high when she gets an idea that will change her life.

EPISODE 3795

TX: TUESDAY - 6 APRIL 2021

Mamba's biggest critic has a miraculous change of heart and raises red flags for two suspicious bystanders. Tensions between Kgosi and Lindiwe reach an all-time high and the resolution promises even bigger fireworks. Gloria executes a diabolical plan to get on Izigigaba.

EPISODE 3796

TX: WEDNESDAY - 7 APRIL 2021

Gorbachev teams up with a rival to expose a traitor. Nhlamulo finds himself trapped in his own lie. A disappointment gives Gloria an opportunity to pitch an idea that could change her life forever.

EPISODE 3797

TX: THURSDAY - 8 APRIL 2021

Boniswa tries to prevent herself being caught out but the tables are turned on her. The carpet is pulled out from under Lindiwe's feet but she refuses to believe it. Gloria has a new zest for life which is not necessarily good news for her colleagues.

EPISODE 3798

TX: FRIDAY - 9 APRIL 2021

Mamba is outraged by a betrayal but is then taken with a surprising solution to the problem. Lindiwe thinks all is lost on both financial and emotional levels. Gloria begins her hopeful journey to long-term success.

EPISODE 3799

TX: MONDAY - 12 APRIL 2021

A reconciliation is proposed between family members, but will the peace offer be accepted? Zinzile asks for financial advice to make her dream a reality. Gloria discovers that not everyone is rushing to get onboard with her latest idea.

EPISODE 3800

TX: TUESDAY - 13 APRIL 2021

Duma is confronted with a decision that could be life changing but also comes with uncertainty for his future. Lindiwe presents her parents with an expensive gift but one of their responses is not what she expected. A new woman on the block gives Gloria a run for her money.

EPISODE 3801

TX: WEDNESDAY - 14 APRIL 2021

Family members are back under the same roof - with very different intentions. Lindiwe gets a nasty shock when Kgosi catches up with her. Nervous Gloria kicks off her special night.

EPISODE 3802

TX: THURSDAY - 15 APRIL 2021

A poignant moment between father and son is used as ammunition on live TV. Nhlamulo gives a heartfelt closing argument about his 'career', but will Lindiwe be receptive? Gloria's latest ambush of Dintle saves the day but crosses a line.

EPISODE 3803

TX: FRIDAY - 16 APRIL 2021

Conflicted response to a situation causes a rift, and Simo realises what is standing in his way. Lindiwe receives an ultimatum which could break her heart. Gloria decides to leverage the facilities at hand to her advantage.

EPISODE 3804

TX: MONDAY - 19 APRIL 2021

Simo makes a strategic alliance and Duma battles his demons. Lindiwe struggles with her knowledge and makes a tough decision. Gloria promises a group of people the world but can she deliver?

EPISODE 3805

TX: TUESDAY - 20 APRIL 2021

Temptation is placed in the path of someone not strong enough to resist it. Cee-Jay becomes an unlikely confidante in matters of a breaking heart. Gloria hustles to deliver on her promises.

EPISODE 3806

TX: WEDNESDAY - 21 APRIL 2021

A sister's sense of urgency intensifies a sibling dispute. A daughter's broken heart stands in the way of a mother's dream. Gloria pulls dodgy stunts behind Dintle's back.

EPISODE 3807

TX: THURSDAY - 22 APRIL 2021

Mamba issues a task to a family member which Gorbachev doesn't agree with and Aya is contacted by a friend with incredible news. Zinzile learns the truth is a bitter pill to swallow and Dintle out-hustles Gloria's side hustle.

EPISODE 3808

TX: FRIDAY - 23 APRIL 2021

A son puts his morals on the line for his father's respect. Lindiwe's surprised by some advice on the Nhlamulo situation, but will she heed it? The ancestors are finally smiling on Gloria.

EPISODE 3809

TX: MONDAY - 26 APRIL 2021

Aya makes an admission which pleases her father and Duma proves that the apple can fall very far from the tree. Nhlamulo makes a major sacrifice for love. Gloria proves that she is made for the red carpet, big lights and cameras.

EPISODE 3810

TX: TUESDAY - 27 APRIL 2021

A need to mend a past failure causes a son to embarrass his father in public. Nhlamulo makes a big sacrifice to rescue his love for Lindiwe. A misrepresentation turns Gloria's world upside down.

EPISODE 3811

TX: WEDNESDAY - 28 APRIL 2021

An incident goes viral and history repeats itself in the Mamba household. Lindiwe is happy about the choice she has made but will it end in tears? Dintle is forced to be hard line and end someone's dreams.

EPISODE 3812

TX: THURSDAY - 29 APRIL 2021

A master manipulator turns a son's pain of rejection into a quest for revenge. Lindiwe gets an unsettling lesson in how to break the law. Timothy is surprised by a face from the past.

EPISODE 3813

TX: FRIDAY - 30 APRIL 2021

Duma changes his mind and takes a less destructive road to revenge. Nhlamulo's activities raise suspicion and someone is determined to get to the bottom of the matter. Gloria sneaks into a shocking surprise.

IMBEWU EPISODES: 774 – 795

APRIL EPISODES: 774 – 784

EPISODE 774

TX: THURSDAY – 01 APRIL 2021

KaMadonsela is harassed and intimidated by a prison guard and inmate. The prison warden urges her to form alliances to survive the duration of her sentence.

EPISODE 775

TX: FRIDAY – 02 APRIL 2021

Maluju employees are unimpressed about MaZulu's changes to the company. MaZulu gets news that the Maluju drivers are protesting.

EPISODE 776

TX: MONDAY – 05 APRIL 2021

Sli warns KaMadonsela of what the violent Mzion is planning for her. Phakade and Sebenzile go all out for their 'date' even whilst protesting that it's not a date.

EPISODE 777

TX: TUESDAY – 06 APRIL 2021

Nomusa and Lindiwe learn that Sibongile has officially been charged with assault.

EPISODE 778

TX: WEDNESDAY – 07 APRIL 2021

Phakade tries to trap Bheki by making a recording of him accepting a bribe and giving it to Nokuzola to take to the prosecutor.

EPISODE 779

TX: THURSDAY – 08 APRIL 2021

A very drunk Buhle arrives home to her unimpressed family. Shongololo Oil looks like they may have won the Middle East deal back.

EPISODE 780

TX: FRIDAY – 09 APRIL 2021

Macingwane gets a terrible premonition. The police arrest Nkululeko for assaulting MaZulu.

EPISODE 781

TX: MONDAY – 12 APRIL 2021

KaMadonsela is reprimanded for getting Bheki arrested and warned about what awaits her after Bheki is gone.

EPISODE 782

TX: TUESDAY – 13 APRIL 2021

Nkululeko ditches his little family for his lover. Nkululeko finds out that Fikile has been mugged. Zethu doesn't care about the mugging and calls out Fikile for taking Mepho's shine.

EPISODE 783

TX: WEDNESDAY – 14 APRIL 2021

Nokuzola tries to talk her way out of the cleansing, but Zithulele won't budge. Her panic grows when Macingwane arrives with a cryptic message.

EPISODE 784

TX: THURSDAY – 15 APRIL 2021

Nokuzola is tormented about the abortion, and Zithulele thinks she's just anxious about the cleansing ceremony.

EPISODE 785

TX: FRIDAY – 16 APRIL 2021

MaNdlovu looks at old photographs of herself in her younger years with a man. She tries on some dancing shoes sent to her as a gift. MaGogo's got her groove back.

EPISODE 786

TX: MONDAY – 19 APRIL 2021

Zola's womb gets blessed as part of the ritual. The prayers gets Zola emotional she runs off. Zithulele gets shocking news.

EPISODE 787

TX: TUESDAY – 20 APRIL 2021

Zithulele is a wreck of emotions after finding out about Nokuzola's abortion. Phakade conducts a lovely service for baby Mmemezi.

EPISODE 788

TX: WEDNESDAY – 21 APRIL 2021

KaMadonsela has an ancestral experience in prison. Nokuzola turns to her sister for support, but receives none.

EPISODE 789

TX: THURSDAY – 22 APRIL 2021

Celiwe hears about MaNdlovu's history with Walter, and she advises MaNdlovu to pursue the relationship.

EPISODE 790

TX: FRIDAY – 23 APRIL 2021

KaMadonsela is accused by Harriet of faking her condition – Ancestral calling.

EPISODE 791

TX: MONDAY – 26 APRIL 2021

Anxious, dejected Nokuzola waits up for Zithulele who is busy getting drunk with Thu Sheleni. MaZulu and Phakade step in and instruct Zithulele and Nokuzola to come to a decision about their commitment to each other.

EPISODE 792

TX: TUESDAY – 27 APRIL 2021

MaNdlovu tells her family about the concert, and they are all excited and want to take part. Zethu skips her meds again.

EPISODE 793

TX: WEDNESDAY – 28 APRIL 2021

While in solitary confinement KaMadonsela has a dream of a mysterious figure approaching, spelling danger and we soon discover that the mysterious figure is real and is planning something.

EPISODE 794

TX: THURSDAY – 29 APRIL 2021

Fikile bonds with Mepho and discovers that a mysterious, unidentified woman is watching her. She alerts Nkululeko of the mysterious watcher. Who could this mysterious figure be?

EPISODE 795

TX: FRIDAY – 30 APRIL 2021

Zithulele accuses Nokuzola of trying to trap him into marriage. MaNdlovu says if Nokuzola wants to leave, it must be handled according to traditional protocol.



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