

# ACT and Nedbank fund more projects

The Arts & Culture Trust (ACT) and Nedbank Arts Affinity are pleased to announce ten projects that will receive developmental funding. The ACT Board of Trustees has selected projects nationally from Visual Art, Heritage, Music, Theatre, Dance, Multi-Disciplinary, community and arts education disciplines, to support through the ACT Development Programme during the current funding cycle.



"Supporting such projects not only ensures the development of arts, culture and heritage in South Africa, but it also contributes to social development" says Pieter Jacobs; ACT's chief executive officer.

Beneficiaries of the new funding cycle include:

- ShakeXperience, an adaptation of "Animal Farm", to be produced by Nobulali Productions.
- "Boesman and Lena", a theatre production by Prompt Side Productions in KwaZulu-Natal.
- The Musho Youth Performers Development Project in KwaZulu-Natal.
- Gugulethu Maboneng Township Arts Experience that will also take place in KwaZulu-Natal.
- A Classical Concert to tour Gauteng.
- The Flute and Fife Foundation programme, which will be hosted in Mpumalanga.
- National School of the Arts learners to tour to the National Arts Festival in 2014.
- The Diepsloot Youth Festival will be hosted in Gauteng.
- The SANCTA Educational Programme, culminating in a mini festival, will be presented in the North West.
- The Treatwell Art Studio receives support for arts education in Mpumalanga.

Nedbank, together with the Arts & Culture Trust (ACT), has proudly supported arts, culture and heritage projects since 1994. The main objective is to provide ongoing support to the development of arts and culture in South Africa.

"South African arts and culture provide a potent force for the promotion and preservation of South African creativity, history and heritage whilst also serving as a platform for job creation. Through the Nedbank Arts Affinity, customers contribute to the growth of the arts and culture industry every time they use their Nedbank products, at no cost to the customer." says Maseda Ratshikuni, Head: Cause Marketing.

Grants are provided through an application process which is reviewed every four months. The programme supports projects aimed at developing the youth and professionals within the arts and culture industry. The programme makes provision for all expressions of art, including but not limited to: craft, dance, music, theatre, literature, visual art and new media.

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