

Cape Town gets ready for its first Consular Ball



On 17 November, the who's who of Cape Town will gather at the Pavilion at the V&A Waterfront – the venue where the glittering Consular Ball will be held.

PREMIER HELEN ZILLE WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOUR AT THIS BLACK-TIE EVENT, WITH WELL-KNOWN TV PERSONALITY DR MICHAEL MOLL AS MC. AWARD-WINNING SINGER NIANELL WILL ENTERTAIN THE HIGH-PROFILE GUESTS WITH HER UNIQUE VOICE, AND THE WILLY VAN ZYL DANCE BAND WILL PROVIDE FEET-TAPPING MUSIC FOR GUESTS TO DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY.

The highlight of the evening will no doubt be the auction where unconventional items and well-known personalities will be auctioned to raise funds for the four charities that are the beneficiaries of the Ball. "We've tried to ensure the auction is unique in that the items cannot be bought from a shop," said Isabel Verwey, a member of the Consular Ball committee. "For instance, we will be auctioning a personal master-chef class with one of South Africa's top chefs,



For the golf enthusiasts there is a game at one of South Africa's most prestigious courses – De Zalze Golf Estate in Stellenbosch. As part of the package, they will have two former Springboks as partners, a golf cart, and accommodation on the Estate, as well as enough wine to keep them in high spirits.

And anyone who wants to treat his or her partner can bid on a romantic weekend away to Le Manoir de Brendel



an extra touch, supply the wine as well. Other auction items include an exquisite piece of jewellery designed by Uwe Koetter, and a dinner for eight people at the Grand Café in Granger Bay.

Rugby fans can look forward to a rugby game at Newlands in the hospitality suite of Dr Gerald Wolman, honorary Consul of Georgia, with Springbok legend Toks van der Linde to keep them entertained with a running commentary on the game.



in Franschhoek. This 5-star wine estate is the ultimate experience for wine lovers where treat upon treat awaits them, including massages at the spa and a wine tour with tastings at five different estates.

The Consular Corps consists of 48 countries that are represented in the Mother City by Consuls General and Honorary Consuls.

Share in the goodwill

The Consular Corps has decided to give the business community of Cape Town an opportunity to share in the goodwill and to become part of the event through sponsorship. Gold Tier and Silver Tier Sponsorships are available.

For further information about the benefits for your business, contact Johanna Strauss at 083 305 0472 or jstrauss@durbanvillekinderhuis.org.za

Dr Silviu Rogobete,
Consul General of Romania and Dean of the Cape Town Consular Corps, says:

"The Consular Ball will go way beyond being just another glamorous event. It will, by all accounts, become a yearly milestone in promoting and sustaining social justice and community development.

Social engagement is high on our agenda, and the power of over 40 states represented in the Mother City should be able to make a significant contribution."

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