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# 2023 VICE-CHANCELLOR'S CONCERT PROGRAMME

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We can all make  
this world **brighter!**



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## Message from the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, Prof Francis Petersen

It is my privilege and honour to extend a heartfelt welcome to you. I am delighted that you could join us for one of the highlights on the university's annual calendar.

The University of the Free State's (UFS) annual Vice-Chancellor's Concert was established in 2017 to showcase the extraordinary musical talent of our staff, students, and alumni.

This year's concert theme is 'We can all make this world brighter'. Music inspires, gives hope, makes us believe in something greater, and binds people and cultures together. Tonight, you will experience a variety of individuals and groups performing items from various genres.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the programme. To our sponsor, Absa – thank you for your continued support to the university; it is deeply appreciated and valued.

I invite you to enjoy the performance.

## Molaetsa o tswang ho Motlatsa Motjhanselara ebile e le Mosuwehloho, Moprosesara Francis Peterson

Ke tlotla e kgolo ho nna ho le amohela ka matsoho a mofuthu. Ke thabile haholo ha e le mona le tšile ho tla ba le rona moketeng ona wa mmimo wa selemo le selemo.

Khonsarete ena ya selemo le selemo, ya Motlatsa Motjhanselara, e qadile ka selemo sa 2017 ka sepheo sa ho bontsha talenete e tswileng matsoho ya basebetsi, baithuti ekasita le baithuti ba bileng teng pele.

Mookotaba wa khonsarete selemong sena ke 'Bohle re ka tliša kganya lefatsheng'. Mmino o a kgothatsa, o tliša tshepo, o etsa hore re dumela ho nthong e kgolo ho rona, mme o kopanya batho ba fapaneng le botjhaba ba bona bo fapaneng. Thapameng ya kajeno, le tla bona batho le dihlopha tse tla bina mefuta ya mmimo e fapaneng.

Ke leboha bohle ba bile le seabo katlehong ya mosebetsing ona. Ho batshehetsi ba rona, Absa – Ke lebohela tshehetso ya lona ya ka mehla mona yunivesithing, ke leboha le ho ananela tshehetso ya lona e le ka nnete.

Ha re ketekeng mmoho.

## Boodskap van die Visekanselier en Prinsipaal, prof Francis Petersen

Dit is my voorreg en eer om u hartlik te verwelkom. Ek is verheug dat u by ons kon aansluit vir een van die hoogtepunte op die universiteit se jaarkalender.

Die Universiteit van die Vrystaat (UV) se jaarlikse Visekanselierskonsert is in 2017 in die lewe geroep om die buitengewone musikale talent van ons personeel, studente en alumni ten toon te stel.

Vanjaar se konserttema is 'Ons kan almal hierdie wêreld ophelder'. Musiek inspireer, gee hoop, laat ons in iets groter glo en verenig mense en kulture. Vanaand sal u 'n verskeidenheid individue en groepe beleef wat nommers uit verskeie genres uitvoer.

Dankie aan almal wat bygedra het tot die sukses van die program. Aan ons borg, Absa – dankie vir u volgehoue ondersteuning aan die universiteit; dit word opreg waardeer en op prys gestel.

Ek nooi u uit om die uitvoering te geniet.

## Umyalezo ovela kuSolwazi Francis Petersen onguSekela-Shansela aphinde abe nguThishanhloko

Kuyilungelo nokuzigqaja ukunamukela ngenokomalo esuka ngaphakathi. Ngeneme kakhulu ukuthi nikwazile ukusijoyina kwenye yemcimbi ehlabahlolile esekhalendeni lenyuvesi nowenzeka minyaka yonke.

Umcimbi womculo kaSekela-Shansela waminyaka yonke weNyuvesi yase-Free State waqala ngonyaka wezi-2017 ngenhloso yokuqinisekisa ithalente elivelele labasebenzi, abafundi, kanye nalabo ababa yingxenyeni yenyuvesi phambilini.

Isiqubulo salo nyaka sithi 'Sonke singenza lo mhlaba ukhazimule'. Umculo uyagqugqezela, unike ithemba uphinde usenze sikholelwe ezintweni ezimangazayo, uphinde uhlanganise ndawonye abantu namasiko. Kulobu busuku uzozwa ingxubevange yamaqembu nomuntu ngamunye besina bededelana bekuzwisa amanoni omculo ohlukahlukene.

Siyabonga kubo bonke abenze lo mcimbi waba impumelelo. Kubaxhasi bethu okungu-Absa – Siyabonga kakhulu ngoxhaso lwenu oluhlezi luseka inyuvesi yethu; luyancomeka futhi luthathelwa phezulu.

Ngiyanicela ukuthi nithokozele konke okuzokwenzeka.

PROF FRANCIS PETERSEN

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## PROGRAMME DIRECTORS | Stefan Lotter and Laurika du Preez

### WELCOMING

Prof Francis Petersen

### ITEM 1

Odeion String Quartet

Samson Diamond – violin; Sharon de Kock – violin; Jeanne-Louise Moolman – viola; Anmari van der Westhuizen – cello  
**Kwela** | Composed by the Soweto String Quartet

### ITEM 2

Tasché Burger

Lisa se Klavier | Songwriter: Koos Kombuis

### ITEM 3

Naledi Mohapi, Jacobus Silwer, Minette Bowen, and Ella Kotze

Accompaniment: Anton Esterhuysen – digital piano; Angelo Mockie – electric drum kit; Dries Heymann – bass guitar  
**Sweet Caroline** | Songwriter: Neil Diamond

### ITEM 4

Emily Dangwa

Accompaniment: Anton Esterhuysen – digital piano; Angelo Mockie – electric drum kit; Dries Heymann – bass guitar  
**Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man** | Songwriters: Oscar Hammerstein / Jerome Kern

### ITEM 5

Jacobus Silwer and Thabo Hlongwane

Accompaniment: Anton Esterhuysen – digital piano; Angelo Mockie – electric drum kit; Dries Heymann – bass guitar  
**Nights in White Satin** | Songwriters: Justin Hayward / Keith Chan Siu Kei / Zhong Li Fang

### ITEM 6

Eunice Vitae Cantamus Choir from Eunice Girls' High School

Directed by Retha Visser | Accompanist: Anton Esterhuysen

**African Medley** | Arranged by Anton Esterhuysen

### ITEM 7

Khopotso Dibane

**Any Way You Want It** | Songwriters: Neal J Schon / Stephen Ray Perry

### ITEM 8

Thabo Hlongwane and Minette Bowen

**Leeftyd Net Soos Dit** | Afrikaans translation: Belinda de Jager

Songwriters: Original song: 99 Years | Written by: Bernie Herms, Josh Groban, Tobias Gad

### ITEM 9

Naledi Mohapi

Accompaniment: Anton Esterhuysen – digital piano; Angelo Mockie – electric drum kit; Dries Heymann – bass guitar  
**Crazy Little Thing Called Love** | Songwriter: Freddie Mercury

### ITEM 10

Zama Zulu and Bayanda Mkhize

**What About Love** | Songwriters: Brian Allen and Sheron Alton / Jim Vallance

### ITEM 11

Ella Kotze

**Apartment** | Songwriter: Rufus Wainwright

### ITEM 12

Tasché Burger

**The Story** | Songwriter: Phil Hanseroth

### ITEM 13

UFS Institutional Choir

Directed by Werner Stander | Composer: Christo Burger

### FINALE

**Survivor / I Will Survive** | Songwriters: Anthony Dent / Beyoncé Knowles / Mathew Knowles