

Department of Arts and Culture backs commemorative publication

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In 1994, South Africa shook off the shackles of discrimination and inequality, paving the way for the country to become a unified and democratic example for the rest of the world. To celebrate this milestone Topco Media will be launching the *South Africa 20 Years of Success: Business & Government* publication at the 13th Annual Oliver Empowerment Awards with the official backing of the Department of Arts and Culture.



"Our young nation has faced a myriad of challenges on the way, but has faced those issues head on. Topco Media is honoured to be documenting South Africa's miraculous growth from segregation to the thriving and empowered country it is today," says Nick Krige, group editor of the *20 Years* book.

The book is due to be launched at the 13th Annual Oliver Empowerment Awards at Emperors Palace in Gauteng on 25 April 2014. The Olivers, as the awards are affectionately known, is run in conjunction with Topco's Impumelelo publication, which seeks to acknowledge and celebrate companies at the forefront of empowerment and transformation in South Africa. This makes it the perfect occasion to unveil *South*

Africa 20 Years of Success: Business & Government.

The Department of Arts and Culture has been tasked by government to be the driving force behind the 20 years of democracy celebrations, making its endorsement a significant feather in the cap of Topco Media's South Africa 20 Years of Success: Business & Government book.

The *South Africa 20 Years of Success: Business & Government* project has been officially endorsed by Brand South Africa and Wesgro. "When our democracy was born in 1994, it was a dream of the rainbow nation to have the privilege of living and doing business in a truly free and fair society. Since then, two decades have past, and we can look back upon our many successes with pride. We are honoured to endorse Topco media's 20 year tribute publication," says Nils Flaaten, CEO of Wesgro, the official Tourism, Trade and Investment Promotion Agency for Cape Town and the Western Cape.

Former Bafana Bafana, Leeds United and Kaizer Chiefs captain Lucas Radebe will be at the 13th Oliver Empowerment Awards for the launch of the book, making it an occasion worthy of a book celebrating the first two decades of our nation.

"On 27 April 1994, South Africa cast off the shackles of oppression once and for all and embarked on its journey of freedom and enlightenment. We wish Topco Media all the best in their endeavour to document the upliftment of our country," says Miller Matola, CEO of Brand South Africa.

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