

The Killers declare December tour plans

Multi-award-winning alternative rock band The Killers has announced its first-ever South African tour, commencing on Friday, 4 December 2009 at the Coca-Cola Dome Johannesburg and Sunday 6 December at Val De Vie Estate, Cape Town. The tour is presented by Heineken and supported by regional radio stations 94.7 Highveld Stereo and 94.5 Kfm.



Formed in Las Vegas in 2002 the band is Brandon Flowers, David Keuning, Ronnie Vannucci and Mark Stoermer. They belong to the lineage of high energy rock bands that manage to be both commercially successful and critically acclaimed.

Flowers first met guitarist Keuning while perusing the classifieds for fellow musicians. When Dave's ad mentioned The Beatles and Oasis, Flowers knew he was one the right track. They claimed the name The KILLERS (taken from the bass drum of a fictional band in a New Order video) and then recruited Vannucci and Stoermer.

Their debut album release 'Hot Fuss' catapulted them onto the global stage upon its 2004 release going four times Platinum and spawning hit singles such as 'Mr Brightside', 'All These Things That I've Done' and 'Somebody Told Me'. The band toured extensively for two years straight, performing over 400 shows and eventually returning to Vegas to work on their second album 'Sam's Town' (2006) - a love letter of sorts to their hometown.

The KILLERS released their third album in 2008 entitled 'Day & Age', which experimented with different sounds from their previous releases. The hit single 'Human' was inspired by writings of Hunter S. Thompson. The song also had some help from producer Stuart Price (aka Jacques Lu Cont) known for his work with Madonna and Missy Elliot. Other singles include 'Spaceman', a glam rock number whose lyrics reference alien abduction and 'I Can't Stay' a more tropical sound with saxophone and steel drums and as Flowers puts it 'this could be the most perfect pop song we have ever written'.

Besides the incredible sales figures, The KILLERS have received seven nods from The Grammy's and won a variety of MTV, BRIT and NME Awards. They have headlined some of the biggest festivals in the world including Glastonbury, Reading/Leeds and Pukkelpop, and have sold out prestigious venues such as Madison Square Garden in New York. Fans in South Africa will be able to see some of The Killers biggest hits live including Mr Brightside, Somebody told me, Bones, When We Were Young, Read My Mind and Human.

"We are truly honored to be associated with yet another talented award winning band such as The Killers on their first ever South African tour. We as a brand are truly committed to bring to our Consumers and all music lovers in South Africa the most authentic and memorable music experiences that could only be Heineken®", said Franco Maria Maggi, Marketing Manager of Heineken® in South Africa.

TOUR ITINERARY

Johannesburg - The Killers presented by Heineken®, in association with 94.7 Highveld Stereo

Friday 4th December 2009

Coca-Cola Dome Johannesburg

Tickets from R269 - R526 (incl. service charges)

Cape Town - The Killers presented by Heineken®, in association with 94.5 Kfm

Sunday 6th December 2009

Val Di Vie Polo Estate Cape Town

Tickets from R269 - R526 (incl. service charges)

Tickets sales open on Friday 28th August 2009, at 09:00am. Tickets available only from Computicket, www.computicket.com, 083 915 8000.

The Victims - members of The KILLERS official fan club; will however have access to purchase exclusive pre-sale tickets from 09:00am on Wednesday 26th August 2009. To ensure eligibility to purchase these tickets, login to the www.TheKillersVictims.com, go to "The Road" section of the site, click on the event to view information, then click the "Buy Pre-Sale Tickets" link. The secret link for the pre-sale will become available on the event page shortly before the pre-sale begins. Tickets are available on a first-come first-serve basis. Tickets are non-transferable. Limit six (6) tickets per person. Purchase your tickets as soon as possible because quantities are limited. Pre-sale will end when allotment is exhausted or at the pre-sale End Time listed above.

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