

AKA, Sho Madjozi and more to perform at 2019 VW VIVOnation

The VW VIVOnation music and lifestyle festival will return to The Container Yard in downtown Johannesburg from 6 to 7 April 2019. Polo Vivo has curated a lineup of the biggest and hottest names in music from across the country: AKA, Sho Madjozi, Shane Eagle, Busiswa, DJ Maphorisa, Rouge, DJ Kent, Simmy, Sjava, Mlindo The Vocalist and DJ Zan-D.

AKA “The Supa Mega” is undeniably South Africa’s best rapper and entrepreneur who has spent the last six years pushing boundaries in the African hip-hop scene with a series of killer singles and albums. The “Vela in Versace” hitmaker will perform at VW VIVOnation on both festival days.



Sho Madjozi – a prolific rapper and poet. Known for rapping in her native tongue Tsonof, she gained prominence after releasing the hit single "Huku" and was featured on Okmalumkoolkat's "Ngyashisa Bhe" and "Gqi", as well as on DJ Maphorisa's "Probleme". Sho Madjozi released her debut album *Limpopo Champions League* in December 2018; it features a guest appearance from Kwesta, pH, Makwa.

After recording for over a year and a half and pushing himself to spaces that no hip-hop artist dared to go, Shane Eagle delivered his long-awaited debut album *Yellow*, which added a new dimension to the South African music industry.

Buliswa gained public recognition as a feature on DJ Zinhle's track "My Name Is", after being discovered by Oskido, Busiswa has since gone on to release hits such as "Ngoku" and "Lahla". Busiswa released her debut album, *Highly Flavoured* in 2017.

As a record producer, DJ Maphorisa blends house music and Afro-pop and has worked with and has received production credits from several local and international notable artists including Wizkid, Kwesta, Uhuru, Drake, Black Coffee, Major Lazer, Runtown, C4 Pedro Era Istrefi.

Rouge is a new school rapper, hip-hop artist and author and is a multiple award-winner. She won the Best Female 2017 at the South African Hip-Hop Awards.

DJ Kent is one of South Africa's most sought after producers and club DJs. He has also taken the clubbing experience to radio by enjoying radio residency as a mix DJ for just over ten years, gracing provincial and national radio stations with his "ultimixes".

Simmy, a neo-soul/neo-folk music artist, has carved out a distinctive position in the music industry. She's one of the country's future stars.

Sjava is an award-winning recording artist and actor from Johannesburg and rose to fame in 2015 after the highly successful release of Miss Pru's "Ameni". He won the 2018 BET Viewers' Choice Best International Act award.

Mlindo The Vocalist is best known for his hit album titled *Emakhaya*, which features hit song "Macala" featuring Kwesta and Thabsie.

DJ Zan-D (Zandi Ngwenya) is a radio and television personality. He has a weekly Thursday mix on YFM on their YTKO feature which he is doing now for the third year. DJ Zan-D has deejayed at events with international acts such as the Kendrick Lamar concert, 2 Chainz concert, Wale concert and Keith Murray concert, just to name a few.

In addition to the music lineup, over 100 containers will be moved around The Container Yard and repurposed to create a bespoke festival layout and experience. Fans will get to enjoy exhilarating rides around the Vivo autocross track and sing their hearts out to win a road trip in the Vivo lip sync competition. A few firsts will include a beach bar, lifestyle pop-up shops and a fresh selection of food and drinks stalls.

Tickets may be purchased at www.vvivation.co.za.

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