**MEDIA ALERT**

**JOIN US AS WE WELCOME THE FESTIVE SEASON AT THE NOËL TOUR!**

**The Festive Season is just around the corner, and it is almost time for the much-loved and uniquely popular South African Drakensberg Boys Choir's Noël Tour!**

The Drakensberg Boys Choir's Noël Tour is a Christmas tour where the shows are usually 60 – 80 minutes, and a large part of the show is beautiful Christmas carols. The first official Drakensberg Boys Choir Noël Tour started over 40 years ago, with the first official tour in 1982. The tour includes eight performances, four in **Gauteng (24 to 28 November)** and four in **KwaZulu-Natal (30 November to 4 December)**.

**We invite you to enjoy the spectacular performances that this tour will bring. We will gladly arrange media interviews with the Choir's Maestro, the School's Executive Head, the tour crew and some choir stars.**

The tour begins on 24 November 2023 in Johannesburg, Gauteng and concludes on 04 December in Durban. Ticket sales are underway, so contact us to secure your booking now to avoid disappointment.

Our tour programme is as follows:

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|  | **Date** | **Venue & location** |
| **GAUTENG** | 24November | Newton House School, Boskruin, Johannesburg |
| 25 November | Carols on the Piazza, Melrose Arch |
| 26 November  | Musaion, University of Pretoria, Pretoria |
| 28 November | Rosebank Union Church, Sandton |
| **KWAZULU-NATAL** | 30November  | Grace Church, Umhlanga |
| 2 December | Playhouse Performance Theatre, Durban |
| 3 December | Reddam House, Umhlanga |
| 4 December | Hillside Church, Hillcrest, Durban |

Click here to get a taste of our phenomenal Afro-Pop arrangements that had audiences on their feet at the recent Mauritius Tour; <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1709992439440723> and our heart-warming latest music video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6RWLLNWor1U>.

Audiences can book tickets and experience the versatility and uniqueness of these boys' voices live via [www.webtickets.co.za](http://www.webtickets.co.za) or the website: <http://www.dbchoir.com>.

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**To purchase DBC concert tickets, visit** [**www.webtickets.co.za**](http://www.webtickets.co.za)

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**More helpful website links for media reference:**

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* Please visit the Facebook page for views of the sold-out performances and activity during the four-day Music in the Mountains festival that took place on the Freedom Day long weekend and more information on the choir – <https://www.facebook.com/dbchoir>
* The photo page on the Facebook page gives a good view of the diversity, life and extraordinary talent of the boys at Drakensberg Boys Choir School – <https://www.facebook.com/dbchoir/photos>
* Visit these links for a glimpse of the world-renowned choir's international and local choral work, both in the classical and distinctly African genres – <https://www.youtube.com/user/DBCHOIR>, <https://youtu.be/C521O4XHO_I>, <https://www.facebook.com/dbchoir/videos/934329527988775/> and <https://dbchoir.com/web/videos/>