

Feather Awards announces 2020 winners

The winners of the LGBTIQ+ supportive 2020 Feather Awards were recently announced at Constitution Hill in Johannesburg.

Dedicated to uplifting the names of LGBTIQ+ activists who are doing important work in communities across the country, the Feather Awards also pays homage to supportive media bodies, LGBTIQ+ student movements and selected role models who enrich and back the community.



Having to adapt to the new 'norm' the awards observed social distancing with an intimate evening filled with electrifying performances, emotional acceptance speeches and plenty of energy. Synonymous for its colourful live entertainment and witty commentary, the carefully scaled-down affair did not fail to deliver with an outstanding live performance from the super talented legendary songstress and Simon Nkoli Award recipient Gloria Bosman

Guests flew the LGBTIQ+ flag high and played out this year's theme 'Turn Up the Love' in all its glory.

“ With the current ongoing global pandemic, we made a call that the show must go on, obviously respecting all government regulations. Now in our 12th year, the main reason for hosting these awards during this trying period was to continue celebrating the LGBTIQ+ community and turn up the love. Every year, we come together to celebrate our diversity and also inclusion for all and we felt we need it even more so in 2020,” said co-founder of the Feathers Thami Kotlolo. ”



Tharri Kotlolo



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And the winners are:

- Best Styled Individual - Thishiwe Ziqubu
- Hunk of The Year - Gorata Nzimande
- Hot Chick of The Year - Siphesihle Ndaba
- Sports Personality of The Year - Siya Kolisi
- Best Rainbow Parenting - Napo Masheane
- Best LGBTIQ Student Movement - Rainbow UCT
- Best LGBTIQ Initiative: Public Sector - Constitution Hill
- Best LGBTIQ Initiative: Private Sector - Engage Men's Health
- Diva Extraordinaire of The Year - Refilwe Modiselle
- Media Award of The Year - *Motswako*
- Social Media Personality of The Year - Coconut Kelz
- Cutest Couple of The Year - Vaivi Swartz and Sape Maodi-Swartz
- Role Model of The Year - Dr Dulcy Stapler Rakumakoe
- Drama Queen of The Year - Somizi and *Dinner Kwa Somizi*
- Socialite of The Year - Olwethu 'Olwee' Mlotshwa
- Musician of The Year - Master KG
- Fag Hag of The Year - Shumi Dantile and Siv Ngesi
- African Feather of the Year - Frank Mugisha
- Simon Nkoli Award - Gloria Bosman

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