

Vusi Nova

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Vusi Nova is currently one of the biggest artists in South African music with a plethora of awards behind his name.

He has just released his new album called *Manyan-Nyan* and the song of the album *As'phelelanga* (featuring Jessica Mbangeni) is in line to be one of the biggest songs of the summer.

I chatted to him, last week.



■ ***When are you happiest?***

Honestly, it has to be when I am on the stage. Whether it's for 10 people or 10,000 people, I am elated just performing for those who love my music.

■ ***What does music mean to you?***

Everything. It's the foundation of who Vusi Nova is. It's something I don't think I can live without. It's a spiritual calling and it runs through my veins.

■ ***What is the most enjoyable aspect of your work?***

Seeing the people you make the music for singing my music back to me word for word. All the effort time and emotion that goes into making a song comes together and makes it all worth it at that point.

■ ***What drives you: ego or humility?***

A little bit of both, honestly. But I would change ego for confidence 'cause without it, I wouldn't be able to achieve the goals I have set out for myself. Once a person is confident with themselves they can be confident in their gifts too. Humility helps me remain there and keeps me grounded.

■ ***Any funny moments on stage?***

There are too many to mention. But the one that sticks out the most is when one of my band members needed to use the toilet really badly, while I was on stage and we were only halfway through the performance. He held it in like a champion though.

■ ***What is your most treasured possession?***

My voice. It's something I take with me wherever I go, It has helped me get to where I am today. I nurture it, train it, take care of it and sometimes it even surprises me.

■ ***It's your round, what are you drinking?***

Double whisky and Appletiser.



■ ***What makes you stand out?***

My live performances. I have always been told that when I am on stage no matter how many times people have watched me they always feel like it was the first time watching.

■ ***If you were not a musician what would you do?***

I never had a plan B.

■ ***Pick five words to describe yourself?***

Committed, driven, passionate, loving, talented.

■ ***Favourite fashion garment?***

Anything designed for me by David Thlale.

■ ***Give us some real proper slang and what it means?***

"It's a jump", it means it's really happening at a spot.

■ ***Top of your bucket list?***

Go on an island holiday in the Maldives.

■ ***Your greatest achievement?***

Double platinum status with my previous album.

■ ***What do you complain about most often?***

Wishing to have more time on stage.

■ ***On stage, I tend to?***

Be in the moment, I forget where I am 'cause the music tends to take me somewhere else.

■ ***Wishes and dreams for 2019?***

I'm looking to scoop some more awards and perform abroad more often. Take Vusi Nova to the world and to be healthy and happy.

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