

'1999 The Ultimate Prince Experience' comes to Cape Town in May

Production company Showtime will present its Prince tribute show, *1999 The Ultimate Prince Experience*, at the Artscape Opera House in Cape Town from 27-31 May 2020. The stage show experience pays tribute and reverence to the genius, innovation and grandeur of the one-and-only Prince.

1999 The Ultimate Prince Experience is a new theatre-style tribute concert celebrating Prince's catalogue of music with dedicated live performances from talented South African multi-instrumentalist, Dale Ray, on vocals, guitar and piano, and an eight-piece dance band in support.







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Johannesburg-based singer and musician, Dale Ray, says he is excited to bring the iconic legacy of Prince to life on stage for the very first time. "I intend on giving the people an unforgettable Prince tribute experience, as close to the real deal as possible."

He adds: "I hope to portray Prince as the multi-instrumentalist that he was, the agile, energetic performer that he was, and the generous entertainer that he will always be remembered for."

In preparation for the tribute show, Ray says impersonating a musical icon such as Prince, who influenced a generation of artists, is "a massive honour".

"Prince played virtually every instrument and what he brought to this life through his performances and his music, is an absolute blessing and privilege for me to bring to other fans of his music," says Ray.

Showtime Australia CEO and show producer, Johnny Van Grinsven, admits that *1999 The Ultimate Prince Experience* is “a must-see for all die-hard Prince fans”. He adds that the show is “electrifying, full of energy, flawless, and will leave you wanting more.”

“It’s a fitting commemoration in this world-class production that evokes the wondrous and quixotic realm of Prince – his music, his art, his vision. This show brings all the magic of Prince’s great music and quirky costumes to the stage and we are so thrilled to launch the production in Cape Town.”

Expect a sensory spectacular, bespoke costuming and production as well as a raft of iconic songs – “Purple Rain”, “When Doves Cry”, “Kiss”, “1999”, “Little Red Corvette”, “Raspberry Beret”, “Diamonds and Pearls”, “Cream”, “The Most Beautiful Girl in the World”, “Let’s Go Crazy!” and more.

Tickets – which range between R250 and R390 each – may be purchased via [Computicket](#) or via Checkers and Shoprite retail stores, countrywide.

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