

A group of people, likely a marching band or a parade group, are walking down a city street at night. They are holding up various traffic signs. In the foreground, a person is holding a large red circular sign with a white horizontal bar, which is a 'No Entry' sign. To their right, another person is holding a yellow diamond-shaped sign with a black border and a black arrow pointing straight up, which is a 'One Way' sign. Further back, a person is holding a red circular sign with a white border and a black bicycle symbol, which is a 'No Bicycles' sign. Other signs visible include a red circular sign with a white border and a black U-turn symbol, a yellow diamond-shaped sign with a black border and a black arrow pointing straight down, and a red triangular sign with a white border and a black symbol of a person walking, which is a 'Pedestrian Crossing' sign. The people are wearing colorful costumes, and the street is illuminated by city lights.





As the 1.2km [Cape Town Carnival](#) corridor came alive with music and colour, VIPs such as Premier Helen Zille, Mayor Patricia de Lille, along with Cape Town Carnival brand ambassadors, Siv Ngesi and Liezel van der Westhuizen were in the center of the action.

Jay Douwes, CEO of Cape Town Carnival, said: “After the success of last year, we were aiming to make this year’s Carnival bigger and better. A goal we achieved with flying colours. Anticipation was high and there were more spectators than ever before, testament that the city loves this event as much as we do. It was a beautiful Cape evening and the Fan Walk was the perfect setting to celebrate both our diversity and unity.”

More than 50 talented community groups performed dances and acts that represented their interpretation of the Street Life theme – celebrating the people and dynamics at play in a public space. Towns and cities are built of people and relationships, not bricks and concrete, and this was so apparent in the vibrancy of the city’s streets this evening.

Local law enforcement task forces like the Firemen and SAPS also made a special appearance and had the crowd going wild. Spectators, who dressed up in Cape Town Carnival paraphernalia – including masks, feathers, glow sticks and fascinators – were in awe of the mesmerising parade and excellent performers.