

Delheim's mini-Jazz Fest returns!

Delheim Estate has announced the return of the mini-Jazz Festival and lineup of some of the best South African talent.



Image supplied: John Hassan will performat the Delheimmini-Jazz Festival on 3 July

Hosted in partnership with Cape Town Music Academy (CTMA), their popular jazz-and-fondue events will take place every Sunday from 3 July until 28 August this year.

"We're incredibly happy to welcome back fantastic musicians and the fans after the temporary, pandemic-related hiatus," says Delheim executive director Nora Thiel. "The jazz has certainly become as big a highlight, if not bigger, as the cheese fondues we traditionally serve as part of the event at this time of the year."

The hearty cheese fondues are served with relevant accoutrements and are popular not only for their flavours but also as a way to beat the chills of cold Cape winter Sundays.



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"Delheim is one of the mainstays of the Cape Jazz calendar," says Cape Town Music Academy projects director Luvuyo Kakaza. "With some of the hottest talent of the local scene scheduled to play, it is going to be another cracker for jazz-lovers."

Inevitably, it's the first act that sets the tone and there are few better to herald the season at Delheim than Hassan'adas. Under leader multi-instrumentalist John Hassan, this ensemble to perform on 3 July blends original African rhythms and sounds with influences from musicians all over the globe to create a unique jazz sound.

On 10 July, it's the turn of pianist and composer Ramon Alexander. This ensemble has performed at numerous local and international music festivals, notably the Cape Town International Jazz Festival, Borneo International Jazz Festival, The Darling Music Experience as well as a residency at No Black Tie Jazz Club in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2019. Alexander has two albums to his credit and in addition to his performances, is a jazz lecturer at Stellenbosch University.



Image supplied: Thandeka Dladla will perform at the Delheimmini-Jazz Festival on 14 August

iter Babalwa Mentjies follows on 17 July. She has performed in various venues and festivals, and with well-known musicians including Feya Faku, Neil Gonsalvies and Sazi Dhlamini. The Quartet at Delheim comprises George Werner (piano), Bongani Sotshononda (chromatic Marimba) and Carlo Fabe (drums).

The complete lineup

- · 3 July: Hassan Adas Quartet
- 10 July: Ramon Alexander Quartet
- 17 July: Babalwa Meintjies and Quartet
- 24 July: Mark Fransman Homage Quartet
- 31 July: Bongani Sotshononda Quartet
- 7 August: Sean Sanby Quartet
- 14 August: Thandeka Dladla and trio
- 21 August: Keegan Steenkamp
- 28 August: Nobuhle Ashant

Tickets to the Delheim Jazz & Fondue events are R450 per person with the cost covering the live entertainment, complimentary Glühwein on arrival, the cheese

fondue-for-two including bread and vegetables, as well as a decadent treat to end off on a high note. Tickets exclude all beverages and meal add-ons. Bookings will be per pot – serving parties of two of four.

Estate wines will be on sale and each lunchtime show runs from 12pm to 3pm. Reservations should be made via Quicket.

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