

Artscape celebrates 50 years with an exhibition showcasing costumes from past, present productions

The Artscape Theatre Centre in Cape Town is celebrating 50 years since it opened as the Nico Malan Theatre in 1971. To mark the occasion, it's currently showcasing a costume exhibition portraying moments from various productions dating back from 1971 to the present day.

The exhibition, located at the Opera House Chandelier Foyer, will be open to the public free of charge. This will be done with pre-arranged guided tours in strict accordance with Covid-19 lockdown regulations. Visitors and patrons will be able to enjoy a trip down memory lane and get a glimpse or reminder of the glitz and glamour of the costumes which graced the theatre's stages in multiple performances over the years.



Featured are more than 40 costumes seamed by the Artscape wardrobe department and includes costumes from the Opera, operetta, drama, ballet, musicals and jazz art. These would include the following productions such as *Aida* (1971), *Tartuffe*, *Petrouchka*, *Don Carlo*, *Die Fledermaus*, *Anastasia*, *Kismet*, *The Magic Flute*, *Evita*, *Rain In A Dead Man's Footprints*, *Cabaret*, *Fidelio*, *Showboat*, *Champ*, *The Sound Of Music*, *The Lady and The Fool*, *Madame Butterfly*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Mary & The Conqueror* and more.



Artscape to celebrate its 50th birthday throughout the year

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In addition, a 'design wall' also includes drawings of the many wonderful costume designs by artists and designers and includes originals and copies of well-known national and international works of Bruno Santini, Peter Cazalet, Dicky Longhurst, Jenny Gilles, Penny Simpson, Keith Anderson, Michael Mitchell, Raymond Schoop, Birrie le Roux, Peter Krummeck, Marthinus Basson and more.



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The exhibition will not be permanent but mutable throughout the year, with constant updates to include and showcase the various performing arts genres as well. Historically relevant productions that complement the Artscape flagship productions and performances presented by the affiliated companies; Cape Town Opera, Cape Town City Ballet, Jazzart Dance Theatre, Unmute Dance Company, Cape Town Philharmonic Orchestra and other events hosted in the Artscape building will all enjoy space and time during the exhibition.

Bookings opened on 4 May and can be done via the Artscape Box Office.

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