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EXCLUSIVE STORY

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THE WAIT IS
OFFICIALLY OVER

PRESENTED BY STORY

CRAFTING A CREATIVE LIFE ROOTED IN RAW
AUTHENTICITY

BUHLEBENKOSI JAFTA

TODAY ON MONDAYS MAG



DIGITAL COVER

BUHLEBENKOSI JAFTA

DIGITAL CREATOR

STORY BY

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2025 has been a remarkable year for Mondays Magazine, filled with compelling stories, vibrant content sharing, inspiring contributions, and fruitful networking opportunities. We are delighted to announce the results of our annual Content Awards, celebrating the exceptional work shared throughout the year. Every Monday, our readers were treated to a diverse range of captivating narratives, each demonstrating creativity, insight, and skillful storytelling.



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A PORTABLE CONTENT MAG

YEAR IN REVIEW

This year, we witnessed creativity flourish and voices inspire, proving that when we share our stories with courage and passion, we shape a brighter, more connected world. Let’s carry that momentum forward into the year ahead.”



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WON??





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COVER OF THE YEAR

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BEST INSPIRING STORY

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BEST FASHION STORY

STORY OF THE YEAR

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In a world where digital perfection reigns supreme, Buhlebenkosi Mongezi Jafta born and raised in Kokstad stands firm in his truth: authenticity above all else. For Buhlebenkosi, raw authenticity means never letting go of who he is at the core. It's a lesson hard-earned in an industry that thrives on trends and image. "Being inspired is good," he shares, "but it's so easy to get intimidated when you're new.

You end up taking on things that are out of character because they seem to work for others." Yet, he returns to this powerful reminder people support him for who he truly is. That self-awareness grounds him, even as the creative space constantly evolves.



BUHLE

HIS STORY

His storytelling is shaped by his personal journey—from dropping out of university to navigating his modeling career and embracing simple joys like trying a new restaurant. For Buhlebenkosi, the heart of a good story lies in the everyday lessons, not just big milestones. He wants his audience to see themselves in his journey, even if the paths they walk differ. Success, in his eyes, isn't about numbers. It's about resonance. "If I am relatable, then the project is a success." Through this journey, one thing stands out: being seen and affirmed. "This feels affirming. It's showing me that there is an interest and that I am on the right track. It motivates me to keep going."

CONTENT SHARING
BUHLEBENKOSI JAFTHA

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**A CREATIVE LIFE ROOTED IN
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A CREATIVE JOURNEY

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MODEL/CONTENT CREATOR

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REDEFINING CREATIVITY, ONE POST
AT A TIME

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FASHION CONTENT CREATOR

**JAY
NJABULOW**



FASHION AS A NARRATIVE: THE ART
OF FASHION

DIGITAL CREATOR

**LETHABO
MOHASWA**



THREADS OF AMBITION

CONTENT CREATOR

2PANA



THE CREATIVE VISION GUIDED
BY FAITH AND FASHION

CONTENT CREATOR

SKYWALKER



SKY WALKER FROM EKASI
TO THE WORLD

NOMINEES

STORY OF THE YEAR

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WINNER

BUHLEBENKOSI JAFTA

137 VOTES

RESULTS

2ND - SKYWALKER (111) Votes

3RD - PHO (1 1) Votes

4TH - 2PANA (83) Votes

5TH - JAY NJABULO (52) Votes



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BUHLE JAFTA

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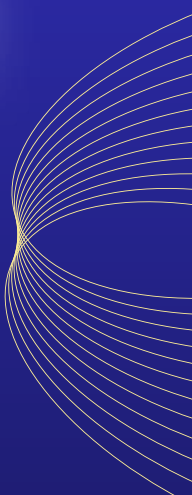


BUHLE JAFTA

134 votes

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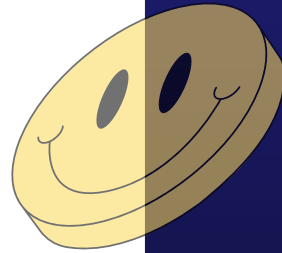
RESULTS

TOP 5

2ND - SKYWALKER
(111) Votes

3RD - PHO
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TH AY N A O

+550 VOTES

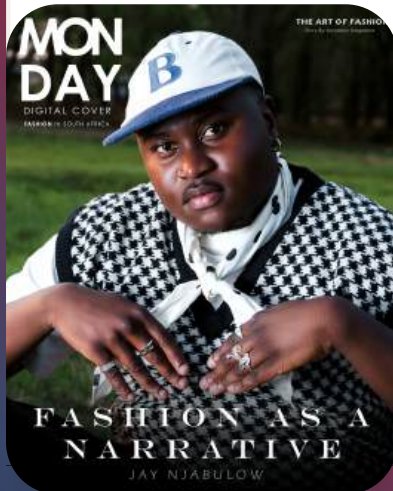
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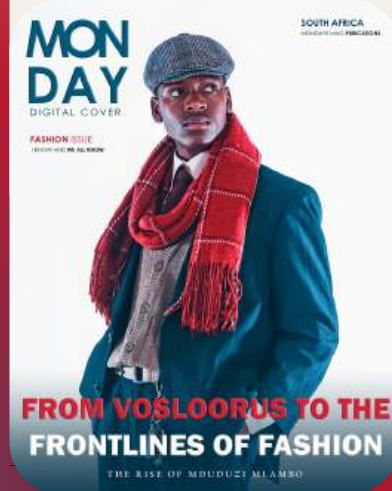
CONTENT CREATOR

JAY NJABULOW



CONTENT CREATOR

MDUDUZI MLAMBO



CONTENT CREATOR

OGEE



MUSICIAN

ZANI SIZANI



RAPPER/MUSICIAN

BADAS REY



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PRESENTED BY OGEE

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There are creators, and then there are curators of magic & Storytelling . Meet Arrol Mthembu (Ogee) — the visionary behind the Instagram gallery @ogee_ar, a name that reverberates with meaning and mystique. "I am Ogee," he proclaim, "a curator of beautiful things, where fashion becomes art, and creativity knows no bounds." But Arrol is more than a stylist. He's a boundless muse, a vessel of transformation, and a soul translator who turns fabric into feeling. Through carefully sculpted looks and deep emotional resonance, Ogee brings forward a radical truth: fashion is more than aesthetics — it is poetry, emotion, and the architecture of identity





To Ogee, beauty isn't polished or predictable. "Beauty in fashion is not perfection : it's resonance," He says. It's found in the swish of a skirt that mirrors a memory, or the collision of vintage silhouettes with futuristic dreams. His process begins with a whisper of soul : an unspoken feeling, a vivid mood that blooms quietly within. From this seed, styling grows like storytelling, shaping a narrative that speaks without saying a word. Each look is more than fabric and thread, it's a stanza in an ongoing poem. Ogee treats fashion as visual poetry, using texture, silhouette, and color like verbs, punctuation, and rhythm. The result? Ensembles that don't just impress; he speak, he linger, he transform.



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DIGITAL COVER

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THE SOUL OF STYLING

WHERE FASHION BECOMES
SOULFUL STORYTELLING



TURNING THE ORDINARY INTO EXTRAORDINARY

Fashion In South Africa

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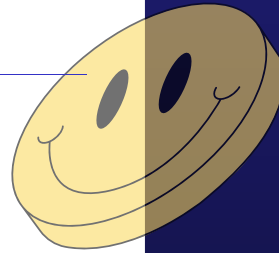
TOP 5

2ND - DUDUZI
(1 8) Votes

3RD - JAY
(1 1) Votes

4TH - ZANI SIZANI
(84) Votes

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+500 VOTES

COMBINED VOTES

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FASHION CONTENT CREATOR

**MDUDUZI
MLAMBO**



FROM VOSLOORUS TO THE
FRONTLINES OF FASHION

MODEL / CONTENT CREATOR

**BUHLE
JAFTA**



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FASHION AS A NARRATIVE: THE ART
OF FASHION

DIGITAL CREATOR

**SIBUSISO
"WEIRDHUMAN"**



EMBRACING THE UNUSUAL

CONTENT CREATOR

2PANA



THE CREATIVE VISION GUIDED
BY FAITH AND FASHION

CONTENT CREATOR

**AALIYAH
LETUMA**



EMBRACE YOUR UNIQUENESS

GRAPHIC DESIGNER /
CONTENT CREATOR

**NDUDUZO
DLAMINI**



WHERE DO ARTISTIC
DISCIPLINES INTERSECT?

NOMINEES

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winner
2pana



BEST CONTENT STORY

THE CREATIVE VISION GUIDED BY FAITH AND FASHION

In a world where originality is often overshadowed by trends, few creatives stand out for their authenticity and divine sense of purpose. One of them is Maredi Thupana, better known on social media as 2pana_ — a name born from his surname, Thupana, meaning a thin stick used to whip. “It might historically suggest a connection to someone known for their strength,” he explains. The ‘2’ in his handle came from a family twist. “I got the idea from my brother who had similarly played around with the number two in his username.”



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2nd winner 2paha

2ND - BUHLE JA TA
(1 1) Votes



3RD - JAY NJABULOW
(9) Votes

4TH - SIBUSISO
(94) Votes

5TH - PHO LEKHOEHLA
(51) Votes

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2 P A N A

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2 P A N A

132 votes

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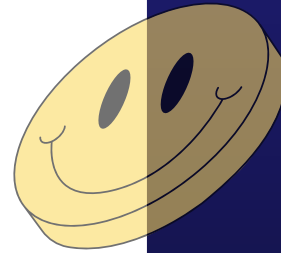
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+450 VOTES

COMBINED VOTES

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CONTENT CREATOR

SKYWALKER



SKYWALKER FROM EKASI TO THE
WORLD

FASHION CONTENT CREATOR

**JAY
NJABULOW**



FASHION AS A NARRATIVE: THE ART
OF FASHION

DIGITAL CREATOR

**SIBUSISO
"WEIRDHUMAN"**



EMBRACING THE UNUSUAL

FASHION DESIGNER

**ATLEGANG
KGAGUDI**



THE RISE OF ZANIACOUTURE-
ZANIAK

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FASHION AS A NARRATIVE:
THE ART OF FASHION





In the buzzing streets of Middelburg, where weekend markets brim with colour and pavements often double as runways, a young creative discovered the art of making clothes talk. For Jay Njabulow, fashion is more than fabric — it's language, storytelling, and a celebration of identity.

Jay's love affair with style began early, inspired by the bold street looks, vintage gems, and raw creativity of everyday people. What started as mixing and matching outfits for fun became a medium for self-expression and confidence. Whether curating photoshoots or styling friends, Jay realised fashion was about more than looking good — it was about communicating culture, mood, and individuality without uttering a word.



WINNER

JAY NJABULOW

RESULTS

2ND - SIBUSISO
(115) Votes

3RD - BUHLE JA TA
(9) Votes

4TH - SIBUSISO
(94) Votes

5TH - O EE
(59) Votes



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128 votes

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(115) Votes

3RD - BUHLE JA TA
(9) Votes

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+500 VOTES

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CONTENT AWARDS

PHOTOGRAPHER

**KGOSIETSILE
ROSARUS**



FRAMES OF FAITH & FASHION

MUSICIAN/RAPPER

**THEOTHER
PERSON**



BREAKING THROUGH BORDERS

MUSICIAN/ RAPPER

SOLO SAE



THE VOICE OF A GENERATION
IN SOUTH AFRICA

MUSIC PRODUCER

DJ MREMZ



FROM SOWETO BEATS TO GLOBAL
STAGES

DIGITAL CREATOR

SKYWALKER



SKYWALKER FROM EKASI TO
THE WORLD

FASHION DESIGNER

**ATLEGANG
KGAGUDI**



THE RISE OF ZANIACOUTURE-
ZANIAK

CONTENT CREATOR

**AALIYAH
LETUMA**



EMBRACE YOUR UNIQUENESS:

CONTENT CREATOR

**DR CHISALA
CHEWE**



BEYOND THE WHITE COAT

NOMINEES

BEST INSPIRING STORY

SKYWALKER

INSPIRING STORY YEAR 2025



SKY WALKER FROM EKASI TO THE WORLD

The Birth of a Creative Force

From the heart of the East Rand, a new voice in fashion and art has emerged. That voice is Philani Khoza, better known as Sky Walker. He's not just a name on a runway or an Instagram handle to follow; he's a movement. With every step he takes and every image he shares, Sky Walker uplifts a vision rooted deeply in eKasi, yet universal in its creative power. "Hood Works," he often says. And in his case, the hood is working wonders.



Growing Up in the East Rand

Sky Walker's journey began not on a red carpet or under the flash of runway lights, but in the vibrant, rhythm-filled streets of the East Rand. His earliest inspirations came from his environment: music, dance, and the visual arts provided a creative refuge and a world of imagination. "Growing up, I was always drawn to creative expression," he recalls. "I found solace in it."

East Rand wasn't just home; it was and still is, the foundation of his artistic identity. "The culture, the colors, the people, it all shaped me," Sky Walker says. From thrift store treasures his mother used to find, to the bursts of street-style fashion on every corner, the local scene continues to drive his creative output.





SKYWALKER

2ND - ATLE AN
(115) Votes

3RD - DJ RE Z
(7) Votes

4TH - THEOTHERPERSON
(2) Votes

5TH - ILES ATUNYA
(51) Votes



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NUMBER OF
VIEW

113 views

INSPIRATION &
IMPACT

78%

CREATIVITY

69%



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SKYWALKER

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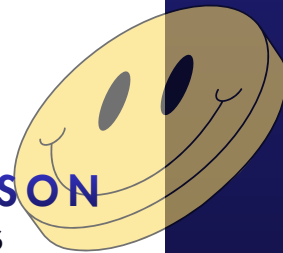
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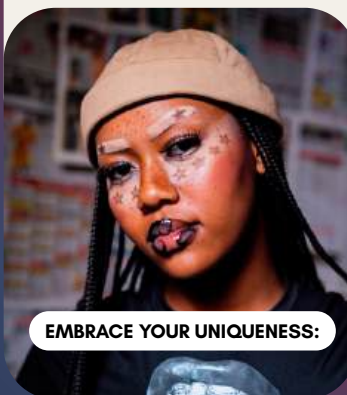
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**AALIYAH
LETUMA**



EMBRACE YOUR UNIQUENESS:

MUSICIAN

**MILES
MATUNYA'S**



THE STAR ALBUM: MILES
MATUNYA'S LO-FI
MASTERPIECE

NOMINEES

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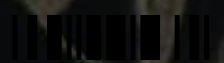
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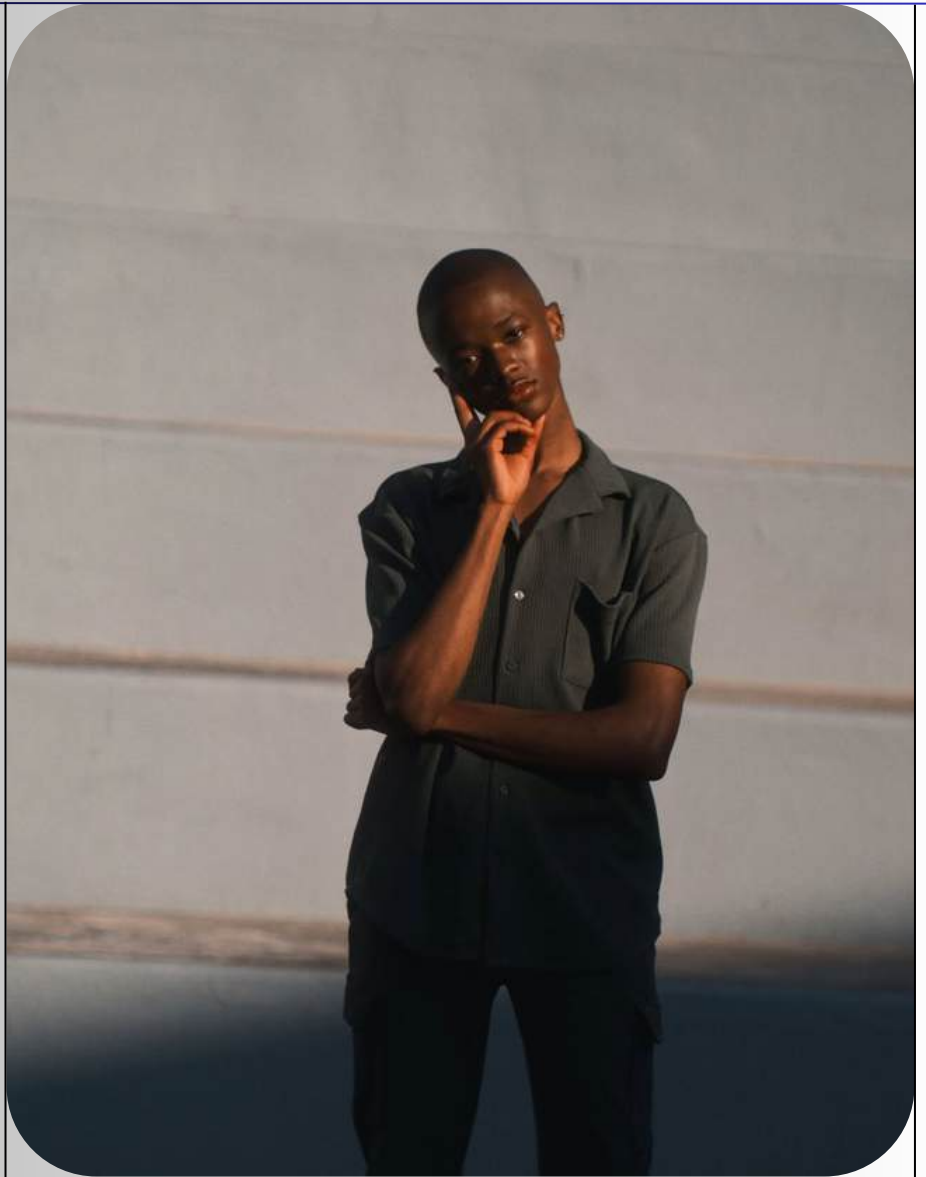
Mpho

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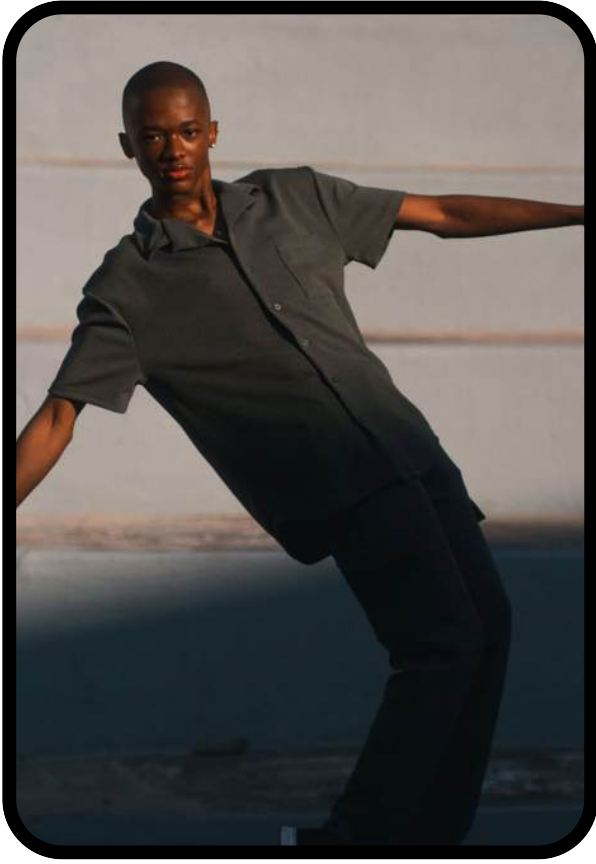
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At just twenty years old, Mpho Lekhoehla known online as @mpho.ix has grown into one of the most promising young creators in South Africa's digital scene. In less than a year, he has managed to carve out a unique lane in both modelling and content creation, gaining traction on TikTok and Instagram without the backing of management, agencies, or viral gimmicks.

"I honestly didn't see this coming," Mpho says with a laugh. "I would say that not conforming to specific niches is what put me in a position to grow so quickly. I'm just content with doing what I love, which could be different next week than it is today and that's part of the fun."



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It all started unexpectedly during a family holiday. “I was in Durban on holiday last December,” he recalls. “My sister, Refilwe, thought it would be cool to use her camera to fool around and see what could happen. Looking at those pictures made me realise, ‘Hold on, I don’t look half bad in these.’ That’s when I decided to look into modelling and from there, I adopted content creation.”

What began as a playful experiment quickly turned into purpose. Mpho describes it as an ‘about time’ moment: “I’ve always been told that with a personality such as mine, I should’ve been in the creation space a long time ago, but I didn’t see what others saw until now.”

Balancing Two Worlds



Mpho’s life now exists at the intersection of technology and creativity. As an IT student, he spends much of his week in lectures, but he’s also juggling content shoots, brand collaborations, and promotional work. “Balancing varsity with content creation and modelling hasn’t been easy at all,” he admits. “There have been times where I’ve had to attend modelling meetings that clashed with my lectures or film TikToks while dealing with creative blocks.”



WINNER MPHO



RESULTS

**2ND - 2PANA
(99) Votes**

**3RD - SKYWALKER
(83) Votes**

**4TH - ZANI SIZANI
(73) Votes**

**5TH - JAY NJABULOW
(51) Votes**



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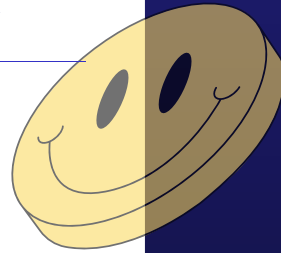
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BLUE



TONIC BLUE UNVEILS SOULFUL NEW
ALBUM 'IMIZAMO'

MUSICIANS

BABY XSA
& UNCLE D



DYNAMIC DUO

MUSICIAN/ RAPPER

TALLRICKY
WORLD



RIISING STAR: THE
UNSTOPPABLE MXHOSA

MUSIC PRODUCER

INQFIVE



THE RISE OF A MUSIC MAVERICK

MUSICIAN/ RAPPER

STELLENIO



WHERE TRAP MEETS SOUL

MUSICIAN

ZANI SIZANI



'FOR PLAY': A SOULFUL
EXPLORATION OF LOVE, GROWTH
AND QUEER JOY

MUSICIAN

ANGEL M



THE SOULFUL STORY BEHIND
"LIES"

MUSIC PRODUCER

SAWCE



NO RECIPE, JUST SAUCE

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DYNAMIC DUO: UNCLE D AND BABY XSA'S RISE TO STARDOM

Another hot, blazing performing artists in Durban? In the vibrant heart of South Africa's music scene, a new flame has been lit. Durban has birthed countless talents, but few have captured the raw energy and authentic storytelling quite like Uncle D and Baby XSA.



BABY XSA



Dynamic Duo: Uncle D and Baby XSA's Rise to Stardom

UNCLE D



Dynamic Duo: Uncle D and Baby XSA's Rise to Stardom

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BABY XSA & UNCLE D

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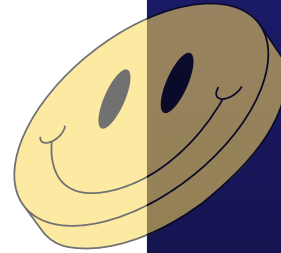
TOP 5

2ND - SAW E
(72) Votes

3RD - AN EL
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4TH - 9U BA
(1) Votes

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+350 VOTES

COMBINED VOTES

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BY US TO THE WORLD FOR YOU. YOU CAN SHARE
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