

The 17th annual South African Film and Television Awards winners announced

The winners of the 17th annual South African Film and Television Awards (Saftas17) ceremony were announced at a two-night awards ceremony this weekend Gallagher Convention Centre, in Midrand, Johannesburg.



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The awards, under the theme “Our stories flow together”, honour and celebrate the best of the South African film and television industry, from films, soapies, telenovelas, presenters, actors and actresses.

This follows three years of virtual events, due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The ceremony was attended by the Honourable Minister of Sport, Arts, and Culture, Zizi Kodwa and many from the South African entertainment industry.

The hosts for the main awards show were Lawrence Maleka and former Miss Universe turned host, Zozibini Tunzi.

The awards were live on S3 (channel 193) and Mzansi Magic (channel 161) with the red carpet hosted by award-winning multimedia entrepreneur Pamela Mtanga and award-winning Afternoon Express host Thabiso Makhubela.

The craft awards ceremony, held on Friday 29 September 2023, was hosted by *Expresso* hosts Kuhle Adams and Carl

Wastie.

“The NFVF congratulates all the winners for this year. You represent the best of the South African film and television industry,” says NFVF Acting CEO, Thobela Mayinje.

“We are excited by all the films now showcasing in international festivals and markets. Feature films like Sihle Hlophe’s *Lobola, A Bride’s True Price?*, an NFVF-funded film which also won an award today, showcases the depth of the South African film and television discourse and has been a conversation starter across the continent and the world since its release,” adds Mayinje.



All the National Film & TV Awards South Africa nominees

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The Multichoice Group scooped 45 awards, with its telenovela, *Legacy*, taking the award for Best Telenovela. Hela Media took home two Golden Horns, Best TV Drama and Best Achievement in Wardrobe for *Lavish*, while the critically acclaimed feature film *Gaia* worked away with multiple awards for Best Feature Film, Best Achievement in Original Music/Score (Feature Film) and Best Achievement in Cinematography (Feature Film) and Best Achievement in Directing (Feature Film).

All the winners

BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SOUND – DOCUMENTARY		
KUSASA – Cape Town TV	Practitioner: Tim Pringle	Production House: Optical Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN EDITING – DOCUMENTARY		
KUSASA – Cape Town TV	Practitioner: Joe Krenzer	Production House: Optical Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN CINEMATOGRAPHY – DOCUMENTARY		
Changemaker – Simphiwe Rorwana – ETV	Practitioner: Yolisa Qwabaza	Production House: Train. Create. Innovate (TCI)
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN DIRECTING – DOCUMENTARY		
Lobola, A Bride’s True Price? – SABC	Practitioner: Sihle Hlophe	Production House: Passion Seed Communications
BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT		
A camera on my Lap – Encounters Film Festival	Production House: twospinningwheels	
BEST MADE FOR TV DOCUMENTARY		
Senzo: Murder of a Soccer Star – Netflix	Production House: Storyscope	
BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE		
Lobola, A Bride’s True Price? – SABC	Production House: Passion Seed Communications	
BEST NATURAL HISTORY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME		
Crocodile’s Revealed – DSTV (NATGEO)	Production House: Earth Touch	
BEST CHILDREN’S PROGRAMME		
Nick Music Africa – NickToons (NICKELODEON)	Production House: VS Studios	
BEST EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME		
MTVShuga: What Makes A Man – MTV Base	Production House: Taung Film Studios	
BEST FACTUAL PROGRAMME		
Rebounders: Grizelda Grootboom – SABC 2	Production House: Red Sugar Productions	
BEST COMPETITION REALITY SHOW		
Tropika Island of Treasure All Stars – SABC 3	Production House: Cardova Productions	

BEST STRUCTURED SOAP/IE REALITY SHOW		
Life With Kelly Khumalo Season 3 – Showmax	Production House: GOAT (Originals)	
BEST STRUCTURED OR DOCU – REALITY SHOW		
Sex in Afrikaans – Showmax	Production House: Provoco	
BEST YOUTH PROGRAMME		
TREND Season 1 – KykNet	Production House: Green Planet Productions	
BEST ONLINE CONTENT		
Lunch With Hitler – YouTube	Production House: Argento Holdings	
BEST LIFESTYLE PROGRAMME –		
Homegrown Taste South Africa Season 1 – DSTV 174 (BBC LIFESTYLE)	Production House: Rapid Blue	
BEST CURRENT AFFAIRS PROGRAMME		
Carte Blanche Mining Takedown – DSTV 101 (MNET)	Production House: Combined Artists	
BEST MADE FOR TV MOVIE		
Whatever It Takes- eVOD	Production House: RHP International	
BEST INTERNATIONAL FORMAT		
Survivor South Africa: Return of the Outcasts – MNET 101	Production House: Afrokaans Film & Television	
BEST ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMME		
Miss South Africa 2022 Live Finale – DSTV 161 (MZANSI MAGIC)	Production House: Black Swan Media	
BEST VARIETY SHOW		
Sunday Sexy Love – DSTV 161 (MZANSI MAGIC)	Production House: Media24	
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN MAKE-UP AND HAIRSTYLING – TV COMEDY		
How to Ruin Christmas Season 3 – NETFLIX	Practitioner: Silindile Dladla	Production House: Burnt Onion Productions
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN WARDROBE – TV COMEDY		
Tali's Joburg Diary – ShowMax	Practitioner: Erin Simon	Production House: Sketchbook Studios
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SOUND – TV COMEDY		
Hotel Season 5 – KYKNET	Practitioner: Tim Pringle, Giles Heesom-Green & Melani Robertson	Production House: Nagvlug Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN ART DIRECTION – TV COMEDY		
Hotel Season 5 -KYKNET	Practitioner: Merishen Wessels	Production House: Nagvlug Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN EDITING – TV COMEDY		
How to Ruin Christmas Season 3 – NETFLIX	Practitioners: Bongzi Malefo, Khulekani Zondi & Melanie Golden	Production House: Burnt Onion Productions
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SCRIPTWRITING – TV COMEDY		
Tali's Joburg Diary – ShowMax	Practitioners: Julia Anastasopoulos, Ari Kruger, Gilli Apter, & Daniel Zimble	Production House: Sketchbook Studios
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN CINEMATOGRAPHY – TV COMEDY		
Hotel Season 5 – KYKNET	Practitioner: Dino Benedetti	Production House: Nagvlug Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN DIRECTING – TV COMEDY		
Tali's Joburg diary – ShowMax	Practitioners: Ari Kruger	Production House: Sketchbook Studios
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN MAKE-UP AND HAIRSTYLING – TV DRAMA		
Desert Rose – MNET	Practitioner: Marika Weber Collop	Production House: Quizzical Pictures
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN WARDROBE – TV DRAMA		
Lavish – 1 MAGIC	Practitioner: Brenda Khambule	Production House: Hela Media
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SOUND – TV DRAMA		
Donkerbos – ShowMax	Practitioner: Jozua Loots	Production House: Nagvlug Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN ORIGINAL MUSIC/SCORE – TV DRAMA		

LUDIK – NETFLIX	Practitioner: Peach Van Pletzen	Production House: Rose and Oaks Media
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN ART DIRECTION – TV DRAMA		
The Brave Ones – NETFLIX	Practitioner: Jacobus Smit	Production House: Ochre Media
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN EDITING – TV DRAMA		
Justice Served Season 1 – NETFLIX	Practitioner: Nick Costaras, Blessing Khulekane Zondi, Megan Gill & Lucian Barnard	Production House: Meraki SA and Ochre Media
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN CINEMATOGRAPHY – TV DRAMA		
Blood Psalms – ShowMax	Practitioner: Willie Nel	Production House: Yellowbone Entertainment
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SCRIPTWRITING – TV DRAMA		
Good Men – SABC 1	Practitioner: Portia Gumedde, Steven Pillemer, Christo Davids, Duduzile Zamantungwa, Mabaso & Sunni Faba	Production House: Ochre Media
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN DIRECTING – TV DRAMA		
Donkerbos – ShowMax	Practitioner: Nico Scheepers	Production House: Nagvlug Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN MAKE-UP AND HAIRSTYLING – TV SOAP/TELENOVELA		
House of Zwide – ETV	Practitioner: Mna Shembe, Itumeleng Ledwaba, Nakedi Makgato & Musa Misi	Production House: The Bomb Shelter Film Company
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN WARDROBE – TV SOAP/TELENOVELA		
House of Zwide – ETV	Practitioners: Bevely Mogorosi & Teddy Geldart	Production House: The Bomb Shelter Film Company
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SOUND – TV SOAP/TELENOVELA		
Suidooster – KykNet	Practitioner: Lloyd O'Connor	Production House: Suidooster Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN EDITING – TV SOAP/TELENOVELA		
Diepe Waters – KykNet	Practitioner: Paul Martin van Wyk, Marthinus van Rhyn, Khathu Mudau, Wynand Verster, Rick Dodgen & Daniel de Villiers	Production House: Penguin Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN ORIGINAL MUSIC/SCORE – TELENOVELA		
The Blackdoor Season 1 – ETV	Practitioner: Mandla N, Jamela Vuma & Kurt Slabbert	Production House: Black Brain Pictures
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN CINEMATOGRAPHY – TELENOVELA		
The Blackdoor Season 1 – ETV	Practitioner: Lavhelani Mudau & Gaopie Kabe	Production House: Black Brain Pictures
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN ART DIRECTION – TV SOAP/TELENOVELA		
Legacy – MNET	Practitioner: Amanda Scholtz	Production House: Tshedza Pictures
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SCRIPTWRITING – TELENOVELA		
DiepCity Season 2 – Mzansi Magic	Practitioner: Nontuthuzelo Magoxo, Mandla N & Mpumelelo Nhlapo	Production House: Black Brain Pictures
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN DIRECTING – TELENOVELA		
The Wife S3 – ShowMax	Practitioner: Fikile Mogodi, Luthando Mngomezulu, Tebogo Mkhabela & Thandokazi Msuza	Production House: Stained Glass TV
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SCRIPTWRITING – TV SOAP		
SCANDAL! – ETV	Practitioner: Ameera Patel, Grace Mahlaba, Thomas Hall, Paul Grootboom, Nonhlanhla Simelane, Omphile Mblusi, Rosalind Butler; Teresca Muishond, Themba Mahlangu & Kelly Robinson	Production House: Ochre Media
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN DIRECTING – TV SOAP		
Suidooster – KykNet	Practitioner: Erina Niemand, Shirley Ellis, Romano Gorlei & Richard September	Production House: Suidooster Films
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN MAKE-UP AND HAIRSTYLING – FEATURE FILM		
Silverton Siege – NETFLIX	Practitioners: Nicola Roodt	Production House: Pambilimedia
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN COSTUME DESIGN – FEATURE FILM		
Silverton Siege – NETFLIX	Practitioners: Ruy Filipe	Production House: Pambilimedia
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SOUND DESIGN – FEATURE FILM		

Silverton Siege – NETFLIX	Practitioners: Barry Donnelly	Production House: Pambilimedia
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN EDITING – FEATURE FILM		
Silverton Siege – NETFLIX	Practitioners: Richard Starkey	Production House: Pambilimedia
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN PRODUCTION DESIGN – FEATURE FILM		
Silverton Siege – NETFLIX	Practitioners: Chantel Carter	Production House: Pambilimedia
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN ORIGINAL MUSIC/ SCORE – FEATURE FILM		
Gaia – DSTV/Box Office (KYKNET)	Practitioners: Pierre-Henri Wicomb	Production House: Film Initiative Africa
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN CINEMATOGRAPHY – FEATURE FILM		
Gaia – DSTV/Box Office (KYKNET)	Practitioner: Jorrie van der Walt	Production House: Film Initiative Africa
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN SCRIPTWRITING – FEATURE FILM		
The Umbrella Men – eVod	Practitioners: John Barker and Philip Roberts	Production House: Known Associates Entertainment
BEST STUDENT FILM		
Shumba – AFDA	Production House: AFDA	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS IN A TV SOAP		
Odelle De Wet (Delia Ritcher) – Binnelanders – KykNet	Production House: Stark Films	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR IN A TV SOAP		
Charlie Bouguenon (Jacques Neethling) – Binnelanders – KykNet	Production House: Stark Films	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS IN A TELENODELA		
Deli Malinga (MaNgema)- Redemption – DSTV: BET	Production House: Burnt Onion Productions & Seriti Films	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR IN A TELENODELA		
Thulani Mtsweni (Bongani) – Gomora – Mzansi Magic	Production House: Seriti Films	
BEST ACTRESS IN A TV SOAP		
Cindy Swanepoel (Dr Annelize Roux) – Binnelanders – KykNet	Production House: Stark Films	
BEST ACTOR IN A TV SOAP		
Melusi Mbele (Jojo Kubeka) – SCANDAL! – ETV	Production House: Ochre Media	
BEST ACTRESS IN A TELENODELA		
Michelle Botes (Angelique Price) – Legacy – MNET	Production House: Tshedza Pictures	
BEST ACTOR IN A TELENODELA		
Lawrence Maleka (Zolani) -The River – MZANSI MAGIC	Production House Tshedza Pictures	
BEST TV SOAP		
SCANDAL! – ETV	Production House: Ochre Media	
BEST TELENODELA		
Legacy – MNET	Production House: Tshedza Pictures	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS IN A TV DRAMA		
Nthathi Moshesh (Grace Bhengu) – Savage Beauty – NETFLIX	Production House: Quizzical Pictures	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR IN A TV DRAMA		
Craig Urbani (Ezra) – Makoti Season 2 – SABC 1	Production House: Urban Brew Studios	
BEST ACTRESS IN A TV DRAMA		
Lerato Melase (Mampho Mashaba) – Justice Served Season 1 – NETFLIX	Production House: Meraki SA and Ochre Media	
BEST ACTOR IN A TV DRAMA		
Morné Visser (Allan Harvey) – Justice Served Season 1 – NETFLIX	Production House: Meraki SA and Ochre Media	
BEST TV DRAMA		
Lavish – 1 MAGIC	Production House: Hela Media	

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS IN A TV COMEDY		
Kate Normington (Michelle Shapiro) – Tali's Joburg Diary – ShowMax	Production House: Sketchbook Studios	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR IN A TV COMEDY		
Desmond Dube (Shadrack Sello) – How to Ruin Christmas Season 3 – NETFLIX	Production House: Burnt Onion Productions	
BEST ACTRESS IN A TV COMEDY		
Thando Thabethe (Beauty) – How to Ruin Christmas Season 3 – NETFLIX	Production House: Burnt Onion Productions	
BEST ACTOR IN A TV COMEDY		
James Borthwick (Ferdie) – Hotel Season 5 – KYKNET	Production House: Nagvug Films	
BEST TV COMEDY		
How to Ruin Christmas Season 3 – NETFLIX	Production House: Burnt Onion Productions	
BEST SHORT FILM		
Cogito Ergo Sum (I Think Therefore I Am) – Africa Rising International Film Festival	Production House: S.S.L Studio's	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS IN A FEATURE FILM		
Awethu Hleli (Tiny) – You're My Favourite Place – ETV	Production House: Yellowbone Entertainment	
BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR IN A FEATURE FILM		
Chris Chameleon (Wilhelm Jooste) – Wild is the Wind – NETFLIX	Production House: Known Associates Entertainment and MYD88 FILMS	
BEST ACTRESS IN A FEATURE FILM		
Noxolo Dlamini (Mali Terra) – Silverton Siege – NETFLIX	Production House: Pambilimedia	
BEST ACTOR IN A FEATURE FILM		
Jarrid Geduld (Theo Abrams) – Indemnity – Ster-Kinekor	Production House: Gambit Films	
BEST ACHIEVEMENT IN DIRECTING – FEATURE FILM		
Gaia – DSTV/Box Office (KYKNET)	Practitioner: Jaco Bouwer	Production House: Film Initiative Africa
BEST FEATURE FILM		
Gaia -DSTV/Box Office (KYKNET)	Production House: Film Initiative Africa	Discretionary Awards
EMERGING FILMMAKER AWARD		
David Franciscus		
OUTSTANDING PERSON WITH DISABILITY CONTRIBUTOR AWARD		
Jabaar Mohamed		
YOUTH ACHIEVER AWARD		
Xolisa Mpafa		
LIFETIME ACHIEVER AWARD		
Derek Watts		
Koos Roets		
BEST TV PRESENTER (PUBLIC VOTE)		
Tshegofatso Mbsupye – Yo MTV Raps Uncapped (DSTV – MTV/BASE)	Production House: VS Studios	
MOST POPULAR TV SOAP OR TELENOVELLA (PUBLIC VOTE)		
SCANDAL! – (e.TV)	Production House: Ochre Media	