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Limpopo welcomes Idols winner Thapelo Molomo in style

Limpopo Province will welcome Idols 18 winner Thapelo Molomo with pomp and ceremony fit for a king in Polokwane at the end of this week.

Thapelo Molomo confounded pundits by snatching the Idols 18 Competition under the nose of his closest rival Nozi Sibiya from KwaZulu Natal at a star-studded ceremony on Sunday, 13 November 2022 in Pretoria's Heartfelt Arena

The MEC for Sport, Arts and Culture, Ms Nakedi kekana and Mogalakwena Mayor, Cllr Ngwako Taueatsoala were present to cheer him and congratulate him on the night of his win.

Thapelo will be feted to a breakfast in Polokwane with the Premier of Limpopo, Mr Chupu Mathabatha and his Executive, Mayors from all Limpopo Districts, family and friends. He will thereafter join a Mapungubwe Arts and Culture Carnival march that starts at the SABC Park through the streets of Polokwane to Jack Botes Hall.

The Carnival led by MEC Nakedi Kekana, Polokwane City Mayor, John Mpe, Capricorn District Mayor Mmamedupi Teffo and all other MECs and Mayors is a confetti of cultures and traditions of Bapedi, Vhavenda, Batsonga, Afrikanners, Coloureds, Indians, Ndebele and many other traditions found in the Province. All traditions will actually colour Polokwane like never before.

From Polokwane, Thapelo will on Saturday be welcomed in Mogalakwena Local Municipality (Mokopane) with lots of activities which will culminate at his home village of Diretsaneng on Sunday, 04 December with a mini festival.

"We are so proud to welcome our son, our star in Limpopo, during the run up campaign to his win, we knew in our hearts that we have star here,"says MEC Nakedi Kekana.

"We are proud and excited for Thapelo's win, this will serve as an encouragement to our children who are residing in rural villages that their success cannot be determined by the background they are coming from. Even those who reside in deep rural areas are destined for greatness," said Mayor Ngoako Taueatsoala.

Speaking from Bakenberg Traditional Council, Acting Kgoši Madimetja Langa said, "A star can shine from a small village like Diretsaneng, that's why we are so excited to welcome our son this coming weekend."

DATE : 02 December 2022 (Friday) TIME : 08h00 PLACE : SABC PARK

Thapelo forms part of the 2022 Mapungubwe Arts Festival line up which has about 90 % of Limpopo's musicians.

The Media is invited to the breakfast and the Carnival march.

For confirmations and Accreditation to the Breakfast and Carnival please confirm with Ms Jermina Kaka at 060 997 7078

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