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NELSON MANDELA THEATRE

Braamfontein

Established in 1962 and rejuvenated in 1992, the Johannesburg Civic Theatre, renamed the Joburg Theatre in 2009, honours Nelson Mandela's legacy with its main auditorium. Endorsed by Mandela, the Nelson Mandela Theatre stands as a cultural beacon, offering diverse performances from Broadway musicals to local productions, symbolising a commitment to artistic excellence and societal transformation. Hosting the Nelson Mandela Annual Lecture in 2023 amplifies its role in promoting global peace and social justice. With 1,069 seats, it's the largest venue in the complex, fostering a sense of community through the arts. The theatre's design, blending modernity with tradition, reflects South Africa's rich cultural tapestry and the enduring impact of Mandela's legacy. It is a pivotal point for Johannesburg's cultural diversity, encouraging artistic engagement and contributing significantly to its status as an arts and entertainment hub.

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FACT

"The colour red extends beyond its usual association with the entertainment industry, symbolising the profound sacrifices and struggles endured during South Africa's fight for independence, a sentiment echoed in the hues of the national flag."

South African Tourism, 2024

ARCHIVE LINKS

See the 'Awards, Tributes and Honours' record of the theatre in the Archive at the Centre of Memory (AcoM) and the record of the play 'Mandela Mandela' directed by Sisil Gunasekera depicting his life story and the struggle of South Africans here.

Awards, tributes and honours

Photograph

Minor Arterials

Local Streets

Walkways

Special Pavements and/or Access Roads

NELSON MANDELA THEATRE

A – Nelson Mandela Theatre (also called 'The Mandela')
B – The Lesedi at the Joburg Theatre
C – Peoples Theatre
D – Space.com Theatre
E – Joburg Theatre
F – Joburg Theatre Garden
G – Theatre Park
H – Joburg Metro-Link Reception Centre
I – City Council of Johannesburg
J – Civic Centre Braamfontein
K – Greater Johannesburg Metropolitan Council Supply Chain Management
L – City of Johannesburg Town Planning
M – FNB Bank Braampark Offices
N – National School of the Arts
O – National School of The Arts Theatre
P – Commercial Space
Q – The South African Human Rights Commission
R – Retail Space
S – Thuso House

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Lecture
Invitation

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Nelson Mandela Theatre

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the mandela
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of live entertainment
the mandela at
THEATRE
complex

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