

# Three Tons of Fun

By Martin Myers

Entertainment is defined as "the action of providing or being provided with amusement or enjoyment", and that is exactly what Three Tons of Fun do in their 75-minute show. The trio of fantastic singers have also released their latest single, *Mmmmh*.

Their last show for 2021 is at the Kalk Bay Theatre in Cape Town on Saturday, 11 December. Join these strong glamorous women with their powerful voices and beautiful harmonies as they give you a fun night of entertainment and memories.

The trio, Sthe Mfuphi - Diva of Soul, Bulelwa Bee Cosa-Sakayi and Michelle Thomas, works hard and readers will remember them as singing the South African national anthem for the first Springbok and British and Irish Lions test this year.

I caught up with the Tons, as they are affectionately known, last week:

### III The new decade means...

Looking forward. We are positive people and we try and see the best in everything. We try and create positivity whenever we go on stage and make people feel good.

### **# Fame is about:**

Being known or talked about by many people for a notable achievement.

### III Retirement will happen when...

Our voices can't manage anymore.

# 🔣 We don't do...

Small change areas... Three large ladies trying to put on lashes in a small space is a struggle to behold!

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### **What does music mean to you?**

This is what we do. Music is our lives, there is no plan B.

### **III** Our music is about:

Everyday things and making people smile.



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### **We would love to co-write with:**

Adele.

### **What is the most enjoyable aspect of your work?**

We love that we give people a good time... Life is very serious and it is wonderful to see people shake off their troubles and get up and dance.

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### IThe song you must do in every show:

Our new single, Mmmmh. Audiences love the track.

### # Any funny moments on stage?

We have been together for nearly 15 years, so we are good at anticipating when one of us falters with lyrics or comes in at the wrong time, but we have had some strange audience members over the years hop onto stage, which is always fun.

### **Our heroes:**

Aretha Franklin, Diana Ross, Miriam Makeba and Brenda Fassie.

### **...** Our style icon:

Aretha Franklin.

### **Which living person do you admire most and why?**

We are Trevor Noah fans! He set himself a goal, plotted a path and set out on a journey... Such an inspiration!

### **What is your most treasured possession?**

Our voices.

### It's your round. What are you drinking?

The drink of divas, champagne, of course!

### **III** Dream gigs to do:

Madison Square Garden, Wembley Stadium and a packed O2 Arena in London.

# **What makes you stand out?**

We love life. We have big hair, big voices and positive personalities.

# III Nicknames:

Saxy Sthe, Mysterious Michelle and Beautiful Bee.

# Who would play you in a Hollywood Blockbuster and why?

Viola Davis, Jennifer Hudson and Queen Latifah. Strong ladies with a positive "don't mess with me" attitude.

# # Pick five words to describe yourself:

Entertaining, Fun loving, creative, kind and hardworking.

# I Five favorite SA albums:

Brenda Fassie - *Legends* Mango Groove - *Home talk* Miriam Makeba - *Goodbye to Africa* Black Coffee - *Africa Rising* Hugh Masekela - *No borders* 

# What song changed your life?

R.E.S.P.E.C.T by Aretha Franklin.

# III Who do you love?

We love our families, our children, our extended families and our fans - we have a core of unbelievable fans.



### **What is your favorite word?**

In the olden days!

## **#** Favorite fashion garment:

Our afro's and lashes.

# **III** Give us some real proper slang and what it means:

"Asidanse" - Let's party.

# I Top of your bucket list:

Gigs, gigs and more gigs!

# **W** Your greatest achievement:

Surviving Covid-19!

# III What do you complain about most often?

Changing in small places... Oh my!

# **What is your fear?**

When load shedding strikes in the middle of a gig.

# III Happiness is:

Sound technicians who are ready for our soundcheck.

# III On stage, we tend to:

Have fun!

# IThe best life lesson you have been taught:

This Covid-19 pandemic has taught us that tomorrow is not guaranteed.

### ... Do you get worked up whilst watching a sports game on TV?

Not really big into sports, but we became big rugby fans in 2019 singing at fan events around the Rugby World Cup and in 2021, we performed the national anthem ahead of the first British and Irish Lions match this year in Cape Town.

### **Where would you like to be right now?**

We want our new single, Mmmmh!, to do very well and be the hit of summer!

### I Do you do charity work? And if you do, what do you do?

We choose different projects during the year that we support by performing at minimum charge. We all have different issues that are close to our heart but we have done some memorable events with the Cansa association, Ikamva Labantu and Cape Town Pride.

### Wishes and dreams?

That we come through this pandemic wiser!

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