



MEDIA STATEMENT

METRO FM LINE-UP CHANGES

Johannesburg –Saturday 30 March 2019 - METRO FM is proud to announce its 2019/20 lineup, as it aims to continue raising the industry bar. The station will effect slight changes to its lineup on 1 April 2019, in line with continuous delivery to its mandate and business strategy.

With the new line-up, METRO has signed four big names to its stable. The station has built onto the successes of the station's currently strong line-up, by bringing on board **Ayabonga Cawe**, **Relebogile Mabotja**, **Moshe Ndiki** and **Andile Ncube**.

Ayabonga Cawe takes over '**METRO FM Talk**', between 19h30 and 21h00 on Monday to Thursday. **Ayabonga** possess all attributes to rebuild METRO FM Talk offering, aligning it to core audience needs and the changing broadcast landscape.

Joining the '**#FreshBreakfast**', which airs between 05h00 and 09h00, at the beginning of May 2019 is seasoned broadcaster and media personality, **Relebogile Mabotja**. She will add her voice to the freshest breakfast team on radio with her smart thinking, wittiness and ability to have diverse views and in-depth knowledge of current affairs content as well her relatability and appeal.

Another addition to the METRO FM family is one of South Africa's most loved personality, **Moshe Ndiki** who joins the 15h00 to 18h00 '**The Drive**' show as a contributor. He will be bringing the station's listeners his take on 'the past week in the news' every Friday on '**The Drive**', putting a light hearted and fun spin on top news items that made headlines in the past week.

The last addition to the team is sports fanatic, **Andile Ncube** who joins METRO FM as the sports presenter for the weekend breakfast show '**#TheWKNDR**', which broadcasts from 06h00 – 09h00. He will be presenting sports bulletins, ensuring the station's listeners know what to expect in the world of sports on weekends. **Andile** brings with him a wealth of experience from SABC Sports having anchored many TV sports shows as well as hosted a radio sports show on Radio 2000 and being part of many international sporting events.

The new changes will see **Somizi Mhlongo** joining '**#TheBridge**' team, bringing his own version of fun, charisma and more fun to the show, whilst **Sentle Lehoko** takes over the Monday to Thursday

21h00 - 00h00 slot on the new show '**#NineteenMidnightWithSentle**'. **Marian Nyarko-Lartey** will follow with '**#TheWindDown**' from 00h00 - 02h00 with **Ismail Abrahams** taking over the baton, keeping METRO FM listeners company from 02h00 -05h00 on Monday to Friday with the show '**#EarlyMorningsWithASmile**'.

Dynamic rising star **Khanya 'Kyezi' Siyengo** takes over the '**#METROFMTOP40COUNTDOWN**' with his energetic, knowledgeable and entertaining presenting style on Saturdays between 09h00 – 13h00, whilst his former partner in crime **Phind'Gcobe Madubela** aka **DJ PH** rides solo on '**#CruiseControl**' Saturdays 13h00 – 15h00. **Bujy Bikwa** joins **MoG** on the '**#TheWKNDR**', Saturdays 06h00 – 09h00.

The Station Manager for Metro FM, Ms Sibongile Mtyali stated that “this year’s line-up schedule is a continuation of our commitment to deliver quality programming and maintain top-of-mind awareness as the best commercial radio stations in the country. We are pleased that we have managed to secure some of the country’s top radio personalities joining brand METRO FM. All our personalities fit in well with what Metro FM stands for and where it’s heading”.

The Full METRO FM Lineup for the 2019/20 year is as follows:

MONDAY TO THURSDAY		
TIME CHANNEL	RADIO SHOW	TALENT
00h00 – 02h00	TheWindDown	Marian Nyako-Lartey
02:00h – 05h00	#EarlyMorningswithASmile	Ishmael Abrahams
05h00 – 09h00	#FreshBreakfast	DJ Fresh Relebogile Mabotja Angie Khumalo
09h00 – 12h00	The Bridge	Dineo Ranaka Lerato Kganyago Somizi Mhlongo Kgopedi Lilokwe
12h00 – 15h00	Lunch With Thomas & Pearl	Thomas Msengana Pearl Modiadie Lebo Motsoeli Melanie Bala
15h00 – 18h00	The Drive	MoFlava (Moeti Tsiki) Pearl Shongwe

		Owen Hannie
18h00 – 19h30	MSW	Robert Marawa
19h30 – 21h00	METRO FM Talk	Ayabonga Cawe
21h00 – 00h00	#NineToMidnightWithSentle	Sentle Lehoko
FRIDAY		
00h00 – 02h00	TheWindDown	Marian Nyako-Lartey
02h00 – 05h00	#EarlyMorningswithASmile	Ishmael Abrahams
05:h00 – 09h00	#FreshBreakfast	DJ Fresh Relebogile Mabotja Angie Khumalo
09h00 – 12h00	The Bridge	Dineo Ranaka Lerato Kganyago Somizi Mhlongo Kgopedi Lilokwe
120h00 – 15h00	Lunch With Thomas & Pearl	Thomas Msengana Pearl Modiadie Lebo Motsoeli Melanie Bala
15h00 – 18h00	The Drive	MoFlava (Moeti Tsiki) Moshe Ndiki Pearl Shongwe Owen Hannie
18h00 – 19h30	MSW	Robert Marawa
19h30 – 22h00	Audiogasm	Naked DJ (Quinton Masina) Lulo Cafè (Skhululo Maliwa)
22h00 – 02h00	Urban Beat	DJ Mlu (Mlu Dlukulu)
SATURDAY		
02h00 – 06h00	Official After Party	Siphokazi January
06h00 –	#TheWKNDR	MoG (Mpho Madise)

09h00		Bujy Bikwa Andile Ncube
09h00 – 13h00	METRO FM Top 40 Countdown	Kayeeze (Khanya Siyengo)
13h00 – 15h00	Cruise Control	DJ PH (Phind’Gcobe Madubela)
15h00 – 18h00	I Believe	Oskido (Oscar Mdlongwa)
18h00 – 22h00	Absolute Hip-Hop	DJ Speedsta (Lesego Nkaiseng) Lootlove (Luthando Shosha)
22h00 – 01h00	Urban Beat	DJ Mlu (Mlu Dlukulu)
SUNDAY		
01h00 – 03h00	Official After-Party	Siphokazi January
03h00 – 06h00	Epic Sundays	Ntombi Mzolo
06h00 – 09h00	Sacred Space	Thami Ngubeni Khaya Mthathwa
09h00 – 12h00	Sounds & Stuff Like That	Wilson B. Nkosi
12h00 – 15h00	Sunday Soul Therapy	Msizi Shembe
15h00 – 18h00	Romantic Repertoire	Sentle Lehoko
18h00 – 21h00	Sunday Night Love	MoG (Mpho Madise)
21h00 – 00h00	Urban Jazz	Nothemba Madumo

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