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### **MAROPENG WELCOMES LOCAL MUSIC LEGEND**

Local veteran and world-renowned musician Siphó “Hotstix” Mabuse took time out of his busy schedule this week to visit and experience the Maropeng Hotel. The well-loved and respected entertainer enjoyed a mid-week break at the luxurious 4-star Hotel, situated in the beautiful and tranquil Cradle of Humankind.

Over the course of his illustrious career Siphó has become an integral part of the entertainment industry and his contributions to the musical landscape of South Africa are appreciated and honoured by music lovers the world over.

“It was an honour having a musician of his status stay at our hotel,” says Tony Rubin, Managing Director of Maropeng. “The Cradle is a peaceful, great break-away spot so we hope his visit to Maropeng will result in some new and inspired music in the future. A visit to the Cradle is a real journey back to the beginnings of humankind. We hope Siphó “Hotstix” Mabuse enjoyed his visit and the glimpse he had of the place in which civilization began.”

A mere 45 minutes drive from Johannesburg or Pretoria, Maropeng offers an ideal escape from the hustle and bustle of the city. Facilities include an award-winning visitor centre, a 24-bedroom 4-star hotel, conference facilities for smaller niche corporate groups, an outdoor amphitheatre housing up to 10000 people, budget accommodation at the Hominid House, and four restaurants.

The Cradle area is one of only eight World Heritage sites in South Africa and the only one in Gauteng, declared because of its contribution to our understanding of humanity. More than 1000 hominid fossils have been found in the 47 000 hectares area – more than any other place on Earth.

*Caption: (From left) Siphó Hotstix Mabuse, Khathu Negondeni, Maropeng Hotel Manager, and Tony Rubin, Managing Director of Maropeng, during Mabuse’s visit to Maropeng.*

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