



## JUANITA KRUGER



**Juanita Kruger** is a popular and seasoned performer, having sung in countless productions, musicals and corporate showcases across South Africa, and as far as New Orleans, St. Petersburg, Helsinki, Stockholm, Frankfurt, Accra and many other international cities.

Juanita was educated at the University of Natal and made her professional debut in 1987 in "It's Better with A Band", directed by the late Geoffrey Sutherland. A number of revues followed, and in 1991 she shared the lead role with Kate Normington in "My Fair Lady". She continued to work in musicals, pantomimes and revues for Napac as well as in corporate theatre, and she was in demand as a session singer and jingles vocalist.

Juanita can be heard on various CD's including the SAMA winning "Lorraine Shannon", as well as "Sonder Gense" and "Jannie Moolman".

### **SOUTH AFRICAN NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCES**

- Performed alongside Joseph Clark at numerous large scale events:
  - with the National Chamber Orchestra at the Spier Festival in a number of sold out concerts, performing a broad spectrum of showstoppers from the musicals, movies, and pop charts (1999)

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- "A Night with the Stars" with which the duo re-opened the Port Elizabeth Opera House, received wonderful reviews for their versatility and vocal performance (2000)
- "Queen - The Concert" with the Johannesburg Philharmonic Orchestra
- "Simply Irresistible" at the Sneddon Theatre
- Juanita has performed as soloist / guest artist with some of the country's top orchestras, including
  - New Arts Philharmonic Orchestra
  - National Chamber Orchestra
  - National Symphony Orchestra
  - Kwa-Zulu Natal Philharmonic Orchestra
- "Pretoria Pops" with Andre Shwartz (conducted by Graham Scott)
- "The Best of Broadway" with the National Symphony Orchestra (conducted by Michael Hankinson) at their annual Picnic Proms at the Johannesburg Botanical Gardens
- Guest artist at the Jacaranda Pops, alongside artists like Dawney, PJ Powers and Robin Walsh
- "Sonder Gense" with Gloria Bosman, Zwai Bala (TKZ), Jannie Moolman and Joseph Clark at the KKNK 2003
- Performance alongside PJ Powers, Judith Sephuma and Yvonne Chaka Chaka at the opening ceremony to the Sixteen Days Against violence against Women and Children Campaign.

### **Musical Theatre Highlights**

Juanita has performed lead and/or featured roles in numerous musicals across the country, including Oklahoma!, The Sound of Music (for which she received an FNB Vita nomination), Tropical Rhythm, New York State of Mind, Broadway Babes, Hair, The Best of the Best, Heaven Can't Wait, Magic of Walt Disney, Rodgers and Hammerstein, West Side Story (also FNB Vita nominated), Crazy For You, and The King and I

### **NOTEWORTHY BOOKINGS WITH FIVE SEASONS**

- Annual SPAR Convention, Sun City