

WHEN THE SUN RISES
WE WORK HARD TO DELIVER



A DECADE OF CELEBRATING
CULTURAL DIVERSITY

THE 10TH ANNUAL MPUMALANGA CULTURAL XPERIENCE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/ACTIVITIES
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“Mpumalanga, a province that works for all”

Introduction

The 10th edition of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience (MPUCE) marks a decade of celebrating our province's rich cultural heritage, artistic excellence, and diverse traditions.

This year's MPUCE Calendar of Events and Activities has been carefully crafted to:

- ✓ Ensure that all programme pillars are represented.
- ✓ Create synergy and alignment across activities.
- ✓ Strengthen the province's positioning as a leading cultural tourism destination.
- ✓ Celebrate our people, talent and cultural identity while promoting inclusivity and economic participation.

SECOND QUARTER

(AUGUST- SEPTEMBER 2025)

DATE	EVENT	EVENT DETAILS/ OBJECTIVE/ FOCUS AREA	VENUE/PLATFORM	TARGET
AUGUST 2025				
06-10 August 2025	Mpumalanga International Film Festival	A build-up event to the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience promoting the film industry and showcasing the work of local filmmakers.	Ilanga Mall/Mercure Hotel and Kruger National Park, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	Filmmakers and film enthusiasts
12-14 August 2025	MPUCE10 Anniversary Song Recording	Recording of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience 10 year Anniversary Song.	Dawsons Game and Trout Lodge, eManzana, Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality, Gert Sibande District Municipality	Music Creatives Artists
26 August 2025	Mpumalanga Gospel Music Awards Prize Reveal	Prize Reveal for the Mpumalanga Gospel Music Awards. An autonomous pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience.	Westvaal Mbomela, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District	Media

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SEPTEMBER 2025				
12 September 2025	013 Summer Blaze Launch	Launch of the 013 Summer Blaze Music Festival. An autonomous pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience.	The Capital Hotel, Mbombela, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	As per invited guest

THIRD QUARTER (OCTOBER- DECEMBER 2025)

DATE	EVENT	EVENT DETAILS/ OBJECTIVE/ FOCUS AREA	VENUE/TARGET	TARGET
OCTOBER 2025				
03 October 2025	MPUCE10 Anniversary Song Closed Listening Session	Listening session and signing off of the official Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience 10 year Anniversary song.	Tfokomala Hotel and Conferencing, Mbombela, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	As per invited guest
06 October 2025	MPUCE10 Media Xcursion	Media Activation of the 10 th edition of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience.	Pilgrim's Rest, Thaba Chweu Local Municipality, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	Provincial, National and International Media
07 October 2025	MPUCE10 Media Launch	Official Launch of the 10 th edition of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience.	Ndalo Lodge, Mbombela, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	As per invited guest



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NOVEMBER 2025				
07 November 2025	Mpumalanga Gospel Music Awards Announcement of nominees	Mpumalanga Gospel Music Awards Announcement of nominees. An autonomous pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience.	The Capital Hotel, Mbombela, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	As per invited guest
22 November 2025	KASI Xperience	A pillar and Grand Activation of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience showcasing township culture and talent.	Sasol Recreation Centre, eMbalenhle, Govan Mbeki Local Municipality, Gert Sibande District Municipality	ALL
27 November 2025	Comedy Xperience	An autonomous pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience showcasing comedic talent.	Emnotweni Arena, Mbombela, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	ALL
28 November 2025	Carnival Xperience	A pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience displaying the provinces' diversity.	Promenade Centre, Mbombela, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	ALL
TBC	Music Creatives Workshop	A workshop for creatives. An autonomous pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience.	City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	Music Creatives, Artists

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NOVEMBER 2025 (cont)				
29 November 2025	013 Summer blaze	013 Summer Blaze Music Festival. An autonomous pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience.	Mbombela Stadium, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	ALL
30 November 2025	Soul Session Xperience	A pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience showcasing soul, afrosoul and rnb artists.	Lowveld Botanical Gardens, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	ALL

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DECEMBER 2025				
06 December 2025	Marathon Xperience	A pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience promoting healthy living through running and other physical activities.	Dr JS Moroka Local Municipality, Nkangala District Municipality	Athletes
06 December 2025	Traditional Xperience	A pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience showcasing the provinces rich cultural talent.	Ndzundza Somphalali Tribal Authority, Nkangala District Municipality	ALL
06 December 2025	Choral Xperience	A pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience showcasing choral talent.	Mayor's Parlour, Ermelo, Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality, Gert Sibande District Municipality	ALL
07 December 2025	Mpumalanga Gospel Music Awards	An autonomous pillar of the Mpumalanga Cultural Xperience awarding greatness in the Gospel music genre.	Communio Auditorium, City of Mbombela, Ehlanzeni District Municipality	ALL



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MPUCE10 Calendar of Events

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