BACKGROUND

Tshwane Gospel Choir is an initiative which was founded by Mr. Bheki Langa in 2009. The project was launched in March 2010 and is an ensemble comprising of approximately 50 young people, about 40 of whom are vocalists, and the 6 instrumentalists. Although the choir is based in Gauteng with members mainly from the townships of Tshwane, includes singers from Limpopo, Mpumalanga, KwaZulu-Natal and other African countries such as Zimbabwe, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Ghana.

COLLABORATIONS

Not only have these talented young people shared stages with Benjamin Dube, Jonathan Butler, Ntokozo Mbambo, Mahalia Buchanan and Nqubeko Mbatha, but have also collaborated with the Rebecca Malope on her 2012 Live Recording, Joe Niemand in 2012 and Israel Mosehla in 2014.

A MUSIC COMMUNITY

Tshwane Gospel Choir is not just a choir, but a unique community of like-minded youth who are passionate about music. Their music style combines beautiful harmonies with joyful rhythms flavoured with music styles from various South African cultures. The choir performs contemporary gospel music which interprets African sounds using a variety of musical instruments.

RESONANCE

With their style of music, the choir resonates well with South Africans of all cultures and language group, starting with the young right through to the old. This is evident in their packed live performances where loyal crowds of all ages can be seen dancing and singing along to almost every song with unrelenting energy.
MEMORABLE SHOWS

In 2010 the choir performed at the National Prayer Day for the 2010 FIFA World Cup and for 3 years has partnered with the Interfaith Chapter of the City of Tshwane in hosting impactful Prayer Days. The Choir has done various performances for both Local and National Government such as the State of the City Address, National Women’s Day, Nelson Mandela Day and Memorial Services, 20 Years Democracy Celebrations. In June 2015, the legendary Joseph Shabalala, founder of the multi Grammy Award winning Ladysmith Black Mambazo, became TGC’s patron, and was honoured by TGC at a special event in Ladysmith.

Just recently at The Edinburgh Festival Fringe (the largest arts festival in the world) in Scotland, they left an impression. The local media called them 'Slick, stylish and definitely cool, modern without diluting their roots and with a diverse repertoire taking in jazz, Afrobeat and gospel.' TGC was highly acclaimed at the Brighton Fringe Festival in the UK in May of 2015. TGC is due to tour internationally soon.
Since its inception, TGC has released two albums and one single. During these years TGC has achieved a lot and has also been recognised in various spheres of the South African and International entertainment industry. Although TGC has remained true to its roots, the choir has embraced the urban contemporary sound seamlessly into their repertoire and expanded its footprint both locally and abroad. TGC’s unrelenting energy and passion has earned this choir increasingly growing recognition and acceptance.

MODIMO WA MEHLOLO

Their 2011 debut album had tracks like Melodi Ya Tshwane, Jehova Modimo Wa Israel, Hallelujah, Ditshaba, Righteous Banner, Modimo Wa Mehlolo, Mahlo A Bona Ke Metsu, Nimwemwe, In Control, Amazing Grace and Ke Morena Jeso.

BRING BACK OUR GIRLS

In 2014, Tshwane Gospel Choir composed and released a song called "Bring Back Our Girls". The track was released on video and on iTunes, to send a message of support after the tragedy in Nigeria where Boko Haram abducted 200 school girls which sparked global outrage.

MBONGE (LATEST)

Launched in 2015, this is Tshwane Gospel Choir’s latest CD launched on 14 March 2015. It is filled with beautiful harmony and joyful rhythms, full of fresh tracks that are sure to inspire and excite not only the standing Tshwane Gospel Choir supporters and but new audiences as well.

Their latest offering, Mbonge, is a double CD, which is rich with diversity, Tshwane Gospel Choir worked with singer, songwriter and producer Brian Temba, as well as Joe Niemand and Israel Mosehla. The double album also features a host of TGC’s own lead vocalists and promises not to disappoint TGC’s loyal followers and supporters.
Tshwane Gospel Choir’s debut album was launched in 2011 and was nominated in 3 categories in the 2011 Crown Gospel Awards for Best DVD, Best Gospel Group, Best New Comer. It was also nominated for Best Urban Gospel in the 2012 Metro FM Awards. In 2012 the group won Best Community Outreach in the Crown Gospel Awards and in 2013 was again nominated for Best Community Outreach & Best Gospel Group.

This just goes to show that Tshwane Gospel Choir is fast becoming a well recognised brand in the Gospel Music industry, clearly evident as more and more artists are a reaching out to collaborate with the choir.

Tshwane Gospel Choir is all about giving back to the community, using their talents to help disadvantaged communities, using things such as Soup Kitchens for pensioners and school children, they give food hampers to more than 100 pensioners and school kids.

The choir also recently launched the White Balloons campaign in Limpopo, which aims to combat child abuse. Tshwane Gospel Choir has also distributed over 800 pairs of shoes to impoverished school pupils and visited various prisons around the country as part of their efforts to give back to the community.
BOOKINGS, RECORDINGS & APPEARANCES

TV SHOWS, FILM, ADVERTS & STUDIO

Tshwane Gospel Choir is available to feature or participate in your studio recordings as backing vocals or production as part of your cast or supporting act. TGC is currently the resident choir for Gospel Classics (a South African Gospel Show on SABC 2).

CONCERTS

Are you looking for a choir to headline or support your event? Look no further... We are happy to discuss your concert needs. Our recent concert Feature was Gospel Goes Classical which was staged at Rhema Bible Church by Dlophe Records in partnership with the Artist Company International. We shared the stage with Ntokozo Mbambo, Mahalia Buchanan, Jonathan Butler and Pastor Benjamin Dube under the musical direction of Nqubeko Mbatha accompanied by the JMI Orchestra (conducted by Dr Glen Caldwell).

CORPORATE EVENTS

Do you have a promotional event, store opening, business function, corporate dinner, staff motivational day or office party to organise? Look no further... book Tshwane Gospel Choir to place a stamp on your special event! We will certainly make your business event one to remember.

WEDDINGS

For something spectacular, subtle or elevating, or something bespoke, TGC tailor makes the perfect wedding offering - a custom made repertoire for the day to meet the needs the moment, whether a church or a traditional ceremony, Tor wedding reception.
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