

# CityViews

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## THE CBD'S LITTLE BLACK BOOK OF DESIGN



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**SAFE, CLEAN, CARING AND OPEN FOR BUSINESS**



## FROM THE CEO

Things are looking up in town. About 80 % of the 230 retailers surveyed in the CCID's latest Business Confidence Index say they are "satisfied" with business conditions and are hiring more staff and extending their trading hours. Commercial landlords also report an influx of smaller fintech start-up tenants and have waiting lists for co-working spaces.

Tourism in the greater Cape metropole is also on the up. Wesgro reports the Port of Cape Town welcomed 145 000 cruise passengers during the 2022/23 cruise season which ended in May 2023, and a total of 67 747 tourists passed through Cape Town International Airport in April 2023. This bodes well for the inner-city economy.

A big part of our mandate is driving investment into the CBD. Maintaining a safe city centre is crucial to its success. Our Safety & Security teams work 24/7, and they are now being led by new manager Jurie Bruwer, who brings a wealth of experience to the position. Read our story on p. 3.

Helping to uplift the CBD's homeless community is equally important and we share this responsibility with you. And so I encourage you to once again contribute generously to our Winter Readiness Campaign, outlined in *The Tough Times* supplement, included in this issue, which also highlights our work-rehabilitation projects.

We also reveal unique CBD function venues (p. 6) where you can celebrate in style, discuss the rise of the upmarket design sector in town (pp. 4-5), and uncover the best "staycations" (p. 7). Enjoy.

**TASSO EVANGELINOS**  
CEO of the CCID

## DON'T LITTER! PUT WASTE WHERE IT BELONGS

This is the mantra of the CCID's **Keep Town Clean anti-litter campaign, aimed at encouraging people to "put litter in its place".**

CCID Urban Management is known for keeping the Cape Town CBD in tip-top shape. In May, it deviated and dumped hundreds of bags of stinking garbage in St Georges Mall and on Thibault Square. This disruption was part of its ongoing

campaign to encourage people "to put waste in its place" and to educate CBD retailers about illegal dumping. The message is clear: don't trash our town!

Over 1 226 tonnes of litter and illegally dumped waste is removed to landfill by the CCID annually. "We remove over 100 000 kg of litter from town every month," says Kally Benito, head of CCID Urban Management.



ABOVE: CCID Urban Management's activation on Thibault Square.

"The damage to the environment is enormous."

Benito says the campaign also highlights illegal dumping. Get involved by reporting illegal dumpers to the CCID's 24-hr control centre on 082 415 7127 and email [wastewise@capetown.gov.za](mailto:wastewise@capetown.gov.za) to apply for new, additional or the replacement of stolen black refuse bins.

## Numbers THE CCID AT WORK FROM FEBRUARY TO APRIL 2023

### SAFETY & SECURITY

<b>111</b> Made 111 arrests with law enforcement agencies	<b>24</b> Dealt with 24 illegal trading offences	Responded to <b>417</b> alarm activations and secured <b>15</b> premises	City Law Enforcement issued <b>1 243</b> fines for non-moving traffic infringements to the value of <b>R1 322 600</b> & <b>250</b> fines for bylaw and non-moving – and certain moving – violations to a total of <b>R266 400</b>
Conducted <b>246</b> crime-prevention initiatives and issued <b>1 987</b> warnings	Responded to <b>125</b> medical & rescue callouts	<b>2 425</b> Traffic wardens issued <b>2 425</b> fines to a total of <b>R1 528 000</b>	
<b>617</b> Rendered public assistance 617 times	Assisted with <b>187</b> motor vehicle accidents		

### COMMUNICATIONS

Generated <b>70</b> media clips to an advertising value equivalent (AVE) of <b>R2 131 936</b> reaching an audience of <b>72 514 739</b>	<b>447</b> Wrote <b>447</b> Facebook posts on the CCID's <b>3</b> Facebook pages	<b>8</b> Boosted <b>8</b> Facebook posts which reached <b>62 726</b> people	Rolled out Urban Management's <b>anti-litter campaign</b>
	Produced <b>2</b> e-Newsletters which each reached <b>6 506</b> subscribers	Wrote, produced and distributed the Autumn 2023 edition of <b>City Views</b>	Distributed <b>50 000</b> pamphlets to CBD visitors with safety tips for Safety & Security

### URBAN MANAGEMENT

Removed <b>313.27</b> tonnes of litter and illegally dumped waste to landfill	Maintained <b>213</b> tree wells and removed a total of <b>435.75</b> kg of debris	<b>298</b> Undertook <b>298</b> road maintenance repairs	Trimmed <b>27</b> trees and removed <b>94.5</b> kg of debris
Serviced <b>2 392</b> bins in the Long and Loop Streets Bin Project	Cleaned <b>186</b> channels and removed <b>294</b> kg of waste	Painted <b>325</b> road markings	Inspected <b>680</b> rodent boxes
Cleared <b>10 994</b> kg of waste from municipal and storm water drains	<b>2 938</b> Cleaned municipal drains <b>2 938</b> times & cleaned <b>1 149</b> storm water drains	<b>205</b> Removed a total of <b>205</b> strings & stickers	Collected a total of <b>9 376</b> litter bags during the night
Removed <b>451</b> incidents of graffiti		Removed <b>451.50</b> kg of cigarette butts from ciggie bins	<b>765</b> Removed <b>765</b> illegally dumped bags to landfill

### SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

<b>147</b> Interacted with <b>147</b> homeless people	<b>27</b> Referred <b>27</b> people for counselling and support	<b>6</b> Assisted <b>6</b> adults to healthcare facilities	<b>Received donations</b> from Hotel Sky, Southern Sun Waterfront, SunSquare Cape Town City Bowl Hotel and Neighbourgood East City
Placed <b>20</b> adults in shelters in the CBD	Assisted <b>11</b> adults to get back home	Assisted <b>1</b> client with an ID application	
	Conducted <b>3</b> night-time visits to engage with homeless clients	Conducted <b>9</b> stakeholder visits	

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# OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The CCID welcomes these new businesses to town.



## Q&A WITH JON-PAUL BOLUS FOUNDER OF STUDIO LB

**We love the name! Tell us more.**  
Studio LB aka Loading Bay first opened in 2007 in Hudson Street, De Waterkant, in a location that used to be a loading bay zone – hence the name. The Bree Street store opened in early March 2023, and is overseen by Alouette Ferreira, our head consultant, and Taiyo Shimokawa, the general manager who is also head of merchandising and our international clothing buyer.

**Why Bree Street now?**  
We wanted to contribute to the vibrant culture in Bree Street and it's an honour to be in this historic space. The vision is to capture the essence of the artist's studio and pay tribute to the creatives who came before us.

**What makes the store unique?**  
We have curated a collection of Australian luxury cosmetic

brand, Aesop, as well as Perfumer H, the British perfume house, as well as premium goods, including clothing, from Japan and around the world.

All the curated goods speak to the principles of simplicity, well-constructed functionality or objects which bring joy to one's life in a fast-paced environment.  
90 Bree St  
[www.loadingbay.co.za](http://www.loadingbay.co.za)

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### SHOP

**Inova**  
This concept store offers the world's finest luxury furniture, lighting, and accessories. It has a team of consultants to help clients source the best products and assist with delivery, installation, and maintenance (see pp. 4-5)  
76 Harrington St  
021 461 0707  
[www.inovacontracts.co.za](http://www.inovacontracts.co.za)

### EAT

**Starbucks**  
At the CBD's first Starbucks, you'll find all the brand's favourite beverages plus a selection of delicious snacks and sweet treats. Novelty cups and ground coffees are also available. There is also an al fresco section.  
42 Hans Strijdom Ave (North Wharf)  
[www.starbucks.com](http://www.starbucks.com)

### Susa Restaurant

At Susa, patrons can enjoy a great meal (they serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner) surrounded by beautiful art. The unique venue, which is inside Youngblood Africa, also has a great cocktail menu.  
70 Bree St  
021 565 0766  
[www.susarestaurant.co.za](http://www.susarestaurant.co.za)

## USEFUL CONTACTS

### EMERGENCY

**CCID 24-HOUR EMERGENCY**  
(Available via cell phone or WhatsApp)  
**082 415 7127**  
(Cape Town CBD only)

**AMBULANCE, HEALTH, NOISE & FIRE**  
**107 / 021 480 7700**  
(24 hours)  
107 from landlines only

**SAPS CENTRAL CITY**  
**021 467 8001/2**  
(24 hours)

## CITY OF CAPE TOWN SERVICES

**INCIDENT REPORTING & ENQUIRIES**  
Refuse collection, water issues, street lights and electricity faults  
**0860 103 089**

Traffic signal faults  
**0860 001 948**

Prepaid electricity meters  
**0800 220 440**

Cable theft  
**0800 222 771**

Disaster Risk Management  
**080 911 4357**  
**021 597 6000 (24 hours)**

**SOCIAL CONCERNS**  
CT Drug Counselling Centre  
**021 447 8026**  
**073 755 1913 (WhatsApp)**

Childline Western Cape  
**021 762 8198**

WC Social Development  
**021 483 3083**

CCID Social Development  
**021 286 0836**

**BYLAW & TRAFFIC INFRINGEMENTS**  
Law Enforcement  
**021 596 1999 (24 hours)**

Traffic Police  
**0860 765 423**

Metro Police  
**0860 765 423**

## NEW CCID SAFETY & SECURITY MANAGER

The CCID's Safety & Security department has welcomed its new manager, Jurie Bruwer, to its ranks.

When it comes to security, Jurie Bruwer is a dab hand. The CCID's new Safety & Security manager has been in the private security sector for nearly 30 years.

Bruwer subscribes to the "don't fix what isn't broken" philosophy, and even though the department helped to secure over 300 arrests in town with City Law Enforcement in the 2022 financial year, it can't rest on its laurels. He says: "I will not be making big changes. It's about streamlining processes, workflow, reporting structures, policies, procedures,

and protocols to reduce costs, save time and increase overall effectiveness. It is also about upholding consistency and sharing ideas with our stakeholders on how we can improve."

Before joining the CCID, Bruwer was a branch manager for a national security company, responsible for the East Rand in Gauteng. His experience includes setting up security companies and services, developing policies and procedures, and emergency response planning and management in various African countries. He also served as a Lieutenant Colonel in the South African National Defence Force for 12 years.

Welcoming Bruwer to the CCID, CEO Tasso Evangelinos says: "Jurie has a wealth of security knowledge. He brings a lot of value, experience and support to the department and the CCID. We look forward to his ideas as we continue to work with SAPS



ABOVE: Jurie Bruwer, new CCID Safety & Security manager.

and the City of Cape Town's Law Enforcement agencies to maintain a safe CBD for all."

Bruwer, who has a Bachelor of Public Administration (Hons) and a Bachelor of Science (BMil) among his qualifications, plans to ensure the CCID's 300-plus Public Safety Officers perform efficiently and are proactively deployed.

"We care about the safety and security of everybody in our footprint, and are committed to fulfilling our responsibilities. We will continue to work to the highest level of integrity, accountability and consistency. I am working with an experienced team that is committed to making a difference in town."

# CREATIVITY & DESIGN

## THRIVING IN TOWN

There's been a boost in décor stores offering high-end design and custom furniture pieces in town. And design lovers are lining up.

By Kim Maxwell



M VEK Studio's M 111 console table, a pair of M 192 chairs and the M 221 tray.

### CAPE TOWN'S DEBUT INOVA CONCEPT STORE in the CBD's East City is the latest chic addition to design circles in the Mother City.

Since architect Robert Silke's restoration of a heritage building's frontage and opening up of interior spaces, large windows in cosmopolitan Harrington Street tempt passers-by with iconic European furniture, lighting and homeware.

The bold designs are from impressive brands such as Arflex, Audo Copenhagen, HAY, Moooi and String, to name a few.

Furniture is sourced in Italy, Denmark, Sweden and the UK, but Inova also sells local brands such as Vorster & Braye's striking ceramic planters, glassware from Casa LV and the recently relaunched Frystark sideboard.

"Spaces like ours allow people to escape realities, appreciate beautiful furniture, and be inspired creatively," says Inova sales consultant Theodore Absolon.

"The brands we represent are renowned for their design," he says. For example, Audo Copenhagen is the result of the uniting of MENU, by Lassen and The Audo, reflecting the epitome of Danish design tradition. One of their pieces, The Co Lounge Chair, can be admired in Inova's showroom.

Says Absolon: "We want clients to immerse themselves in our showroom, to touch and feel, and be inspired by great European design. We work with young and old, who are equally excited when they come in."

South African Brent Weldon, founder of Inova, started Inova Contracts in London in 1999, furnishing hotels, offices and

homes across the UK, and then focusing on the commercial sector in Cape Town and Johannesburg. "This is our first retail extension, with Inova adding the residential element, which complements our contract division," Absolon says. Inova Concept Store, 76 Harrington St 021 461 0707 | [inovacontracts.co.za](http://inovacontracts.co.za)

### YOU'RE ALWAYS WELCOME

If modern African furniture and design collections are on your radar, Always Welcome at Heritage Square is the Cape Town go-to. Here you'll find a mix of designer pieces displayed, from Durban's inspirational Kalki Ceramics to Design Afrika's Binky Newman or Ananta's beautifully beaded lighting and vases.

Always Welcome CEO Stephen Wilson, formerly creative director of Houtlander, says Always Welcome is a "collective

of established and emerging southern African design brands with a mission to present a growing African design movement to consumers. Presenting a range of designers in a single space allows the public to make local design their own."

Playing on its name, Always Welcome is not only about exclusive furniture and accessories but local design at every price point. "We make design accessible, with high-end pieces in the mix. So, for example, you could find a Houtlander milk stool for R2 400 or buy an Hlabisa woven bench (a collectable piece woven by KwaZulu-Natal master weavers), for R120 000."

Europeans with good taste should note that a Hamburg store is in the offing. Always Welcome, Heritage House | 108 Shortmarket St | 067 396 1209 | [alwayswelcome.store](http://alwayswelcome.store)



**MŪVEK MAKES ITS MARK**

And then there is MŪVEK Studio, located in a tucked-away space (by appointment) in the East City. Co-Founder János Cserháti left Budapest five years ago for Cape Town with his business and life partner, architect Chris van Niekerk.

MŪVEK developed as a spin-off when Van Niekerk’s architecture clients were looking for exclusive furniture pieces. Designs have a clean, uncluttered feel with lean yet robust lines. The focus is on the quality of joinery or detail of its construction.

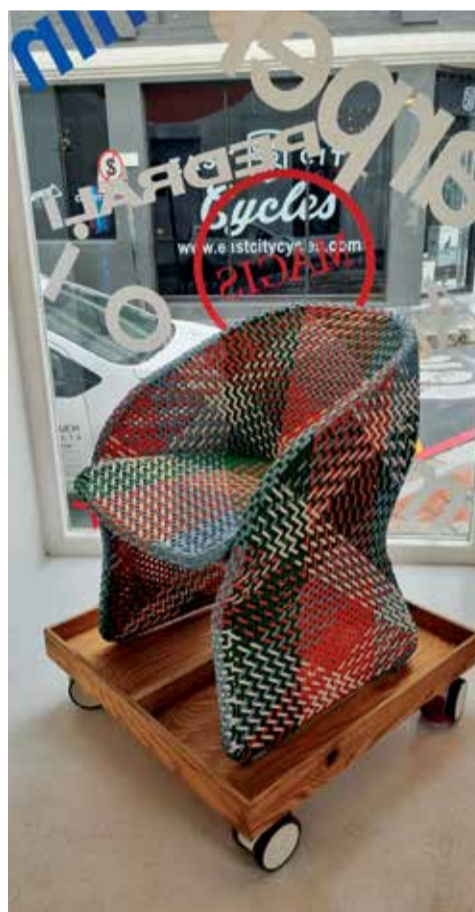
Cserháti explains: “MŪVEK is a South African brand that was born and bred here. We are a design studio and everything is made in or around Cape Town by local makers.”

MŪVEK is a Hungarian word for “works”, as in art or engineering works. “Chris uses quite a lot of steel detailing in his architecture. His latest project had aluminium doors, for example. So he has a pretty good network of metalworkers. Chris designs the project, and a metalworker makes it.”

Take the MŪ16181 mild steel shelving system, assembled using only 12 machine screws. Or the elegant chair in hand-sewn leather and vapour-blasted aluminium with marks of its industrial production. “So the different joints are visible, revealing how different materials join and interact and enhance,” says Cserháti.

“We saw a design language and codes developing in the items that Chris designed. We realised that this had the potential to become a collection,” Cserháti adds. They launched 12 designs in October 2022. With two friends, Cserháti and Van Niekerk decided to formalise the business. The MŪVEK Studio collection now has 15 designs.

Clearly, demand for quality design and custom pieces is gathering momentum in Cape Town. Wilson speaks about “Afri-can-do”, the “creative makers and designers who work with limited resources and the challenges of designing on a continent that runs out of electricity ... but have optimism and this can-do attitude that ties everybody together”. Let’s hear it for much more of that. **MŪVEK Studio, 37 Buitenkant St 065 951 2517 | [muvekstudio.com](http://muvekstudio.com)**



**CLOCKWISE TOP, FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:** Pezula Interiors’ showroom; Inova Concept Store; Lex Pott Pillar Candles for Hay Design, available at Inova Concept Store; John Jacob Interiors; Maat outdoor armchair from Varaschin, available at Inova Concept Store.

**LITTLE BLACK BOOK OF DÉCOR & DESIGN**

**1 John Jacob Interiors**  
233 Bree Street  
021 422 0105  
[johnjacobinteriors.com](http://johnjacobinteriors.com)

Renowned interior design practice of highly acclaimed John Jacob. The service incorporates the entire design process, from architectural design to custom furniture.

**2 Lemon Projects**  
212a Buitengracht Street  
[lemonprojects.co](http://lemonprojects.co)

This team works with architects or individuals, supplying beautiful furniture and custom items from bespoke wallpaper design to furniture for residential and commercial interiors.

**3 Pezula Interiors**  
17 Buiten Street  
021 424 2661  
[pezulainteriors.co.za](http://pezulainteriors.co.za)

A Cape Town classic, Pezula Interiors’ stock is super-stylish: expect side tables, lamps, seating, custom-designed couches and accessories – and beautiful coffee table and art books, too.

**4 SHF Living**  
4 Christiaan Barnard Street  
021 492 9100  
[www.shf.co.za](http://www.shf.co.za)

Furniture basics and accessories, with 95 % of items locally made in KwaZulu-Natal. From dining tables and sofas to beds, headboards, and lovely lamps, to boot.

**5 Villa Africa**  
65 Loop Street  
021 205 1144  
[villaafrica.start.page](http://villaafrica.start.page)

Philip Tyers’ interior design studio creates customised furniture, art and statement pieces. The gallery shows locally manufactured furniture and collaborations with artisans and artists.

**6 Vorster & Braye**  
96 Long Street  
021 422 0617  
[vorsterandbraye.co.za](http://vorsterandbraye.co.za)

At this creative studio you can expect functional ceramic planters, plates and vases that use simple forms and distinctive designs, all handcrafted in Cape Town.

# LET'S CELEBRATE!

Mark your special occasions in town at these premier venues.

## RESTAURANTS

### Villa 47

Villa 47 has a modern dining space suitable for corporate dinners, breakfasts, birthday parties, karaoke nights and wine tastings. Clients can choose between Locanda, spread across two floors, and the Martini Terrazza courtyard, which has a fabulous lounge bar.

47 Bree St | [www.villa47.co.za](http://www.villa47.co.za)

### The Bailey

Restaurateur Liam Tomlin's sophisticated multi-storey venue offers the The Bailey Brasserie for lunch or dinner on the first floor, the Paul du Toit private dining room (which seats 10 guests) on the second level, and the stylish top-floor venue, The Old Bailey Lounge Bar, evocative of a members' club, which also has an outdoor terrace.

91 Bree St | [www.the-bailey.co.za](http://www.the-bailey.co.za)

### Between Us

This fav CBD restaurant by twin sisters Jesse and Jamie Friedberg has a large open-plan dining room, an olive tree courtyard and a balcony with endless views of Table Mountain. It is the perfect

space for weddings, year-end functions, and birthday celebrations.

176 Bree St | [www.betweenus.capetown](http://www.betweenus.capetown)

### The Green Room at Grub & Vine

The second dining room of chef Matt Manning's Grub & Vine restaurant in Bree St, this venue with its garden-inspired décor is quite lovely. It's perfect for small, intimate celebrations such as engagement parties, weddings, birthday parties and office functions. It has a private bar and a delightful courtyard. A special menu and wine pairing is curated by Manning himself.

103 Bree St | [www.grubandvine.co.za](http://www.grubandvine.co.za)

### The Athletic Club & Social

This sumptuous venue, comprising three bars and a restaurant, has a lavish interior that guarantees a relaxed and sophisticated mood. It can be hired for birthdays, anniversaries, weddings and corporate functions. Guests can enjoy a range of drinks on the terrace as well as delicious canapes, provided for events.

35 Buitengracht St | [www.theathletic.co.za](http://www.theathletic.co.za)

## HOTELS

### The Pink Room at Gorgeous George Hotel

Whether it is for business or pleasure, Gorgeous George's charming Pink Room is suited for any occasion with its inviting living-room feel and luxurious décor. The upmarket venue can seat up to 60 people for corporate events, intimate weddings, elegant wine tastings, art exhibitions and even live performances.

118 St Georges Mall | [www.gorgeousgeorge.co.za](http://www.gorgeousgeorge.co.za)

### SunSquare

SunSquare's conference centre comprises five meeting rooms and can accommodate up to 140 delegates. Rooms are adjustable for day conferences, meetings, training sessions, workshops and cocktail events. The hotel is also home to 14Stories Rooftop Bar, which offers an impressive drinks menu and spectacular views.

23 Buitengracht St | [www.southern.sun.com](http://www.southern.sun.com)

### Hotel Sky

Sky On Long on the 27th floor is the picture-perfect setting for any event

including city weddings, anniversary celebrations and corporate functions.

It is thoughtfully designed with comfy seats, hanging lights and gold features, a signature, über-glam Hotel Sky look.

9 Lower Long St | [www.hotelsky.co.za](http://www.hotelsky.co.za)

### Radisson Blu Hotel & Residence

A trendy inner-city hotel, the Radisson Blu has amenities for corporate functions and social events, including weddings of between 80 to 120 guests at its upscale venue. The wedding package comprises a variety of menus, overnight accommodation for the bridal couple, service staff and more.

22 Riebeeck St | [www.radissonhotels.com](http://www.radissonhotels.com)

### Southern Sun The Cullinan

Guests can make a grand entrance at this top-notch hotel with its imposing pillars and double-volume foyer. Special events are hosted in an array of meeting rooms on the balconied mezzanine level, the marble reception area and the picturesque pool deck which is surrounded by palm trees.

1 Cullinan St | [www.southern.sun.com](http://www.southern.sun.com)

### Taj Cape Town

The Taj is the crème de la crème for bespoke Central City events. It has meeting rooms and banquet facilities in the heritage wing of the hotel. One unique space, The Vault, was built in the 1920s as a walk-in bank vault for the African Banking Corporation. It can accommodate between 50 to 80 people.

1 Wale St | [www.tajhotels.com](http://www.tajhotels.com)

### Park Inn by Radisson Cape Town Foreshore

Whether it is a birthday celebration, bachelorette, baby shower, wedding or gala event, Park Inn can accommodate between 50 to 60 guests. The hotel also hosts themed events at Harald's Bar & Terrace on the 11th floor, where the views are simply breathtaking.

29 Heerengracht | [www.radissonhotels.com](http://www.radissonhotels.com)



## DON'T FORGET ABOUT ...

### CTICC 1 & 2

The award-winning conference centre has a plethora of versatile function rooms, big and small.

1 Lower Long St | [www.cticc.co.za](http://www.cticc.co.za)

### Youngblood Africa

This arts and culture hub has an in-house team that can pull off an array of events.

70-74 Bree St | [www.youngblood-africa.com](http://www.youngblood-africa.com)

### Nasdaq

Nasdaq, on top of the Media24 building, has unparalleled views of the sea and the CBD. There's also an outside terrace for cocktail events.

40 Heerengracht | [www.nasdaq.media24.com](http://www.nasdaq.media24.com)

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Taj Cape Town; The Green Room at Grub & Vine; The Bailey Brasserie; Hotel Sky.

# COZY STAYCATIONS

Baby, it's cold outside, but that's no reason to stay home. Come to town for the ultimate winter staycation. There are some great deals.



## THE ONYX

At The Onyx aparthotel, there are two romantic packages, namely the Spa and Romantic Getaway packages. The Spa Package comes with a free room upgrade subject to availability. Included is a couples' massage at the Sanctuary Spa. The Romantic Getaway has a minimum two-night stay with a free room upgrade, also subject to availability, with guests receiving complimentary sparkling wine and chocolates, a R500 dinner voucher at YU restaurant and a 40-minute couples' massage at the Sanctuary Spa. The 106 apartment-style units have fabulous views of the inner city and Table Mountain.

**Cost** R2 600 (Spa Package) per night per couple | R2 700 (Romantic Getaway) per night per couple

**Bookings** 021 427 5900 | reservations@newmarkhotels.com

**Offer** Valid now until 31 August 2023

**Location** 57 Heerengracht

**Website** www.newmarkhotels.com



## PEPPERCLUB HOTEL

Pepperclub Hotel, voted the best Luxury City Hotel in Africa at the 2022 World Luxury Hotel Awards, has a Winter Escape deal that includes a one- or two-night stay at either the deluxe studio, superior deluxe or one-bedroom suite. The experience includes a welcome drink, a room, breakfast, a 60-minute Bespoke Herbal Oil Massage at the hotel's Cayenne Spa, access to the gym, sauna and pool facilities and watching a film at the Odeon Cinema. Some rooms

at the Pepperclub Hotel have balconies that overlook Table Mountain, Signal Hill or the Cape Town CBD which makes for a wonderful stay.

**Cost** From R3 090 per night, double occupancy

**Bookings** 021 812 8899 | reservations@pepperclub.co.za

**Offer** Valid now until 31 August 2023

**Location** Cnr Loop and Pepper Sts

**Website** www.pepperclub.co.za

## SIGNATURE LUX HOTEL BY ONOMO FORESHORE

With the Cape Town Winter Promo, guests who stay for two nights at the Signature Lux Hotel by ONOMO get 20% off and a complimentary breakfast. The ONOMO group, which also has an hotel on Greenmarket Square (ONOMO Hotel Inn on the Square), embraces what the New Age traveller has been demanding: affordability, freedom, and quality. Conveniently located on the Foreshore, it has a restaurant, bar and rooms fitted with all the amenities to suit leisure travellers and digital nomads.

**Cost** 20% discount. When booking via the website or direct, use the promo code CAPETOWNWINTER.

**Bookings** 087 688 0396 | reservations.foreshore@onomohotel.com

**Offer** Valid until 30 September 2023

**Location** 31A Heerengracht

**Website** www.onomohotels.com

## HOTEL SKY

Hotel Sky, a landmark Foreshore skyscraper, has a Bright Lights & Winter Nights offer comprising a two-night stay in a standard queen room, a two-course meal for two on one of the nights, and a complimentary glass of wine or hot chocolate. What's more, guests get to enjoy a late checkout. Sky Hotel boasts 535 rooms and suites and a 165-seater eatery, Infinity Restaurant, on the 26th floor.

**Cost** R2 995 per couple

**Bookings** 021 879 5040 | reservations.capetown@hotelsky.co.za

**Offer** Valid now until 30 August 2023

**Location** 9 Lower Long St

**Website** www.hotelsky.co.za



## THE ROCKEFELLER HOTEL & RESIDENCE

This glamorous Foreshore 18-storey aparthotel has an Urban Oasis Package for singles as well as couples looking to recharge and enjoy the finer things in the inner city. It includes a beautiful room and a delicious breakfast. There is an option to upgrade to a city-facing room along with a R500 dinner voucher at the fine-dining restaurant, The Plaza. Guests can also enjoy the rooftop studio bar and dipping pool.

**Cost** R1 750 (single room, per night) and R1 980 (double room per, night).

**Bookings** 021 427 5900 | reservations@newmarkhotels.com

**Offer** Valid now until 30 September 2023

**Location** 12 Christiaan Barnard St

**Website** www.newmarkhotels.com



## WINK APARTHOTELS

The WINK Aparthotels group, which manages WINK Foreshore and WINK One Thibault, has a winter festival. With the promotion, guests can enjoy up to 30% off when booking a stay at the stunning New York-style apartments. Designed with comfort in mind, they provide visitors with the ease of apartment living and the luxury of an hotel. Their perfect location gives guests easy access to destination CBD venues and other attractions.

**Cost** 30% discount

**Bookings** 087 012 5772 | bookings@winkaparthotels.co.za

**Offer** Valid now until 31 August 2023

**Location** Cnr Hans Strijdom Ave & Long St (WINK One Thibault) and

31b Heerengracht (WINK Foreshore)

**Website** www.winkaparthotels.co.za

# WHAT'S ON IN TOWN

Don't hibernate in winter! Come into town. Here's what's in store for you ...



## CAPE TOWN MARATHON

Elite athletes and social runners will take to the streets in another thrilling edition of the Cape Town Marathon, comprising 5 km and 10 km Peace Runs, a 46-km trail marathon as well as 22-km and 11-km trail runs. The main event is the 42.2 km marathon with a scenic route with views of Table Mountain, the Atlantic Ocean and the Cape Town CBD's historical landmarks. It will be a great spectacle as the event continues to strive for Abbott World Marathon Majors status.

**Where:** Green Point, passing through the CBD and surrounds

**When:** 14-15 October 2023 from 05h30 to 15h00

[www.capetownmarathon.com](http://www.capetownmarathon.com)



## LET'S BOOGIE

Dust off your dancing shoes and get ready to boogie to great music from the 70s and 80s. The production features a live band, local musicians, dancers, and local comedy, which makes for a perfect night – or afternoon – on the town.

**Where:** Artscape Opera House, DF Malan St

**When:** 22-26 November 2023 (various times)

[www.artscape.co.za](http://www.artscape.co.za)

## NDLOVU YOUTH CHOIR

The country's beloved Ndlovu Youth Choir is coming back to the Mother City for another headline tour. Expect unique song arrangements of African traditional and contemporary music, dance and beautiful outfits. The talented group made it to the finale of America's Got Talent in 2019 and has graced many world stages.

**Where:** Artscape Theatre Centre, DF Malan St

**When:** 12-15 October 2023

[www.artscape.co.za](http://www.artscape.co.za)

## THE PROMISE

Cape Town author Damon Galgut's "The Promise", which won the 2021 Booker Prize, is coming to a theatre near you. The stage adaptation is written by Galgut and directed by South African actress Sylvaine Strike. Catch the world premiere of the star-studded show at the District Six Homecoming Centre in the CBD's East City before it moves to Johannesburg in October.

**Where:** District Six Homecoming Centre, cnr Buitenkant and Caledon Sts

**When:** 14 September-6 October 2023

[www.homecomingcentre.co.za](http://www.homecomingcentre.co.za)

## NEDBANK CAPE WINEMAKERS' GUILD AUCTION SHOWCASE

Love wine? Catch the Nedbank Cape Winemakers' Guild Auction Showcase, an informal tasting of rare and unique wines that will go under the hammer at the 2023 Nedbank Cape Winemakers' Guild Auction in October. These wines are produced in small quantities exclusively for auction by members of the guild.

**Where:** CTICC 1, 1 Lower Long St

**When:** 24 August 2023 from 18h00 to 21h00

[www.capewinemakersguild.com](http://www.capewinemakersguild.com)



## THE EVOLUTION OF INDIGENOUS ART

Catch a fascinating exhibition that juxtaposes contemporary indigenous artworks with San and Khoekhoe rock art from the Later Stone Age. It features original art pieces by 10 different artists from Cape Town and the Northern Cape and aims to ensure inclusive and dignified representation of our histories.

**Where:** The Iziko South African Museum, 25 Queen Victoria St

**When:** Now on till 31 August 2023 from 09h00 to 17h00 (Monday to Sunday)

[www.iziko.org.za](http://www.iziko.org.za)

## VIEWPOINTS & WATERING HOLES TOUR

Join a unique Central City tour and travel by bus to six pubs, bars and rooftop venues while listening to stories that shaped Cape Town and its CBD. Inner-city stops include Neighbourgood Bree Street Workspace, 14 Stories Rooftop Bar, Athletic Club & Social and The Drinkery.

**Where:** Meet at Neighbourgood Bree Street Workspace, 129 Bree St

**When:** Ongoing from 14h00 – 20h00

[www.localplaces.co.za](http://www.localplaces.co.za)



## OPERALIA

Plácido Domingo's Operalia, the world's foremost opera competition, is coming to Cape Town. Five South African singers have been selected to perform with 29 others. The first phase, semi-finals and final rounds, in which musicians will be accompanied by the Cape Town Philharmonic Orchestra, will be open to the public. The competition is hosted by the orchestra, Cape Town Opera and the Artscape and is sponsored by the City of Cape Town.

**Where:** Artscape Opera House, DF Malan St

**When:** 30 October-5 November 2023 (various times)

[www.operaliacompetition.org](http://www.operaliacompetition.org)



## FAME AFRICA WEEK

This showcase focuses on the major creative economies, namely film, television and animation, as well as music and entertainment technology. It features creatives and trailblazers in these fields, stimulating talks, presentations, exhibitions, music showcases, film screenings and presents networking opportunities.

**Where:** CTICC 2, 1 Lower Long St

**When:** 4-6 September 2023 from 09h00-17h00

[www.fameweekafrica.com](http://www.fameweekafrica.com)











# GIFT OF THE GIVERS

There is no better gift than giving your time or expertise. Here are Cape Town CBD NGOs that always appreciate the help of volunteers.

While money is always appreciated by most NGOs, not everyone can make a financial contribution. Aside from this, volunteering and being hands-on is equally important as it provides a sense of community to clients and individuals who are often marginalised. This simple act not only benefits the needy but is rewarding and life-changing to the volunteer as well.

CCID Social Development manager Tara Gerardy says volunteering is a profound act and catalyst for positive change. "It is an expression of compassion, unity and selflessness that transforms lives, both for the giver and the receiver. Through our voluntary actions, we cultivate empathy, bridge divides and create a better world. Every hour spent in service leaves a lasting mark, reminding us that true fulfilment lies in uplifting and nurturing the collective spirit of humanity," notes Gerardy.

## THE HOPE EXCHANGE

The Hope Exchange helps homeless clients on the street with ablution facilities, meals, clothing, clinic care and social support. People who want to share their birthdays with those less fortunate or do a sporting activity are welcome at The Hope Exchange. If needed, the organisation can also create an online landing page to help drive the campaign or special event.

14a Roeland St

021 461 5508

[www.thehopeexchange.org](http://www.thehopeexchange.org)

## ONS PLEK

Ons Plek provides food, shelter, clothing, education, and care to vulnerable female street children. One of its volunteering rules is that the best thing is to do something with the girls rather than for them. Ons Plek welcomes those who would like to enrich the lives of children, particularly individuals who specialise in childcare work, social work, education, occupational therapy, psychology and recreational studies.

7 Malleson Rd

021 685 4052/49

[www.onsplek.org.za](http://www.onsplek.org.za)

## LADLES OF LOVE

Cape Town NPO Ladles of Love runs The Dignity Kitchen, which operates four times a week at The Hope Exchange in Roeland St. Volunteers can assist with either chopping vegetables, cooking food or serving meals to homeless clients on the day and picking up waste after each serving. Since running a charity organisation is similar to running



ABOVE: Volunteers at Ladles of Love's The Dignity Kitchen. ABOVE RIGHT: The Hope Exchange in Roeland St.

a business, Ladles also welcomes contributions in the form of a service, such as accounting, bookkeeping, marketing and data management.

14a Roeland St (The Dignity Kitchen)

063 513 8947

[www.ladlesoflove.org.za](http://www.ladlesoflove.org.za)

## YOUTH SOLUTIONS AFRICA (YSA)

YSA assists those in need with shelter space, food and ablution facilities. The NGO partners with the CCID in its annual Winter Readiness programme, and has a range of projects suitable for volunteers, including:

**A night shelter for the homeless** which provides meals daily to people living in the shelter and non-residents.

**An outreach and feeding programme** in Salt River, which serves meals to the homeless and empowers clients with life skills.

**An aftercare programme** for small children in the Salt River area, who often have a long wait before going home and need adult supervision before they are collected by their parents.

**An early childhood development programme in Philippi and Pumlani** which prepares children for when they need to start school.

Cnr Russell & Chapel Sts

074 067 5747

[www.safeyouth.org](http://www.safeyouth.org)

## THE HOMESTEAD

The Homestead assists chronically neglected male children that end up on the streets by providing accommodation, food, and a reintegration programme. It has a range of volunteer opportunities for individuals as well as companies or groups. They include:

**Teaching children to read** and write or with arts and crafts and sports and recreation.

**Engaging with children** in the organisation's care in Valhalla Park, Manenberg and Khayelitsha.

**Assisting with fundraising events,** specialised campaigns and birthdays.

**Maintenance work.**

**Collecting pre-loved clothing.**

**Offering specialised skills** such as marketing, fundraising, editing, plumbing, accounting, psychiatry, or medical services.

150 Strand St

021 419 9763

[www.thehomestead.org.za](http://www.thehomestead.org.za)

## SCALABRINI CENTRE OF CAPE TOWN

Scalabrini assists migrant, refugee and asylum seeking clients with services such as welfare, child and youth care, access to higher education, employment access and English classes. This way, individuals are protected and integrated into local communities. The organisation's



volunteer opportunities include doing administrative tasks and assisting clients with job readiness and legal services.

47 Commercial St

021 465 6433

[www.scalabrini.org.za](http://www.scalabrini.org.za)

## SERVICE DINING ROOMS

This Central City NGO is known for its feeding scheme and has been providing meals for destitute street people in the City Bowl since 1935. It offers breakfast and lunch daily to the homeless. People who would like to assist can get in touch by emailing the organisation on [info@sdr.org.za](mailto:info@sdr.org.za).

82 Canterbury St

021 465 2390

[www.sdr.org.za](http://www.sdr.org.za)



ABOVE: Service Dining Rooms feeds needy people daily.