

# KUTLWANONG SERENADES CHORALE



## BIOGRAPHY

### ESTABLISHMENT

The Choir was established on the **16<sup>th</sup> December 1996** at Kutlwanong Township near Odendaalsrus in a Free State Province and was conducted by **Mr Olile Thupane, Richard Bekeer**, assisted by **Setsoto Molutsoane** and **Sam Mokoteli**. Presently the choir is conducted by **Mr Setsoto Molutsoane**

### INVITATIONS (PROJECTS AND FUNCTIONS)

The beginning of January 1997, the choir was invited at various functions namely: **Masakhane Projects; Le Re Tjhabetse hospice** opening; **AIDS awareness**; and many more.

### FESTIVALS (1998)

The choir participated in both local and outside festivals

### COMPETITIONS (1997-1998)

In May 1997, the choir entered the first competitions.

- **UNICON**, held in Bethlehem, and gained position 7, out of 31 choirs and this was a great achievement as a starting choir.
- **SACMA EISTEDFOD**, HELD IN Welkom, and the choir gained position 5.

### **OLD MUTUAL NATIONAL CHOIR FESTIVAL**

1. 1997 – position 6
2. 1998 – position 4
3. 1999 – position 8

### RECORDINGS (1999)

The choir recorded with the following:

**SABC** (Unqambothi programme)

The choir also represent **LESEDI STEREO** in Oude Meester Coir Festival in Durban.

### The year 2000

Recorded with **LESEDI STEREO** and **LESOTHO RADIO STATION**

The choir was invited to a **ROYAL WEDDING** of his Majesty, King Letsie 3 in Lesotho, as the only South African choir.

### **The year 2001**

The choir entered in NCF (National Choir Festival), and obtained position 8.

### **The year 2002**

The choir entered OFSATA competition and obtained position 3.  
N.C.F (Old Mutual and Telkom) competition and obtained position 7.

### **The year 2003**

The choir entered N.C.F (Old Mutual and Telkom) competitions and obtained position 5.

### **The year 2004**

The choir participated at N.C.F (Old Mutual and Telkom) competitions and obtained position 8.

### **The year 2005**

The choir participated at N.C.F (Old Mutual and Telkom) competitions and obtain overall position of 7.

### **The year 2006**

The choir once again participated in OFSATA competitions and manage to obtain overall position 3.

### **The year 2006 to Date**

The choir has participated at N.C.F (Old Mutual and Telkom) competitions.

### **Sedibeng**

The choir participated at Sedibeng competitions

### **Lecma**

The choir also participated at Lengau choral competitions

### **Choir conductor**

Molutsoane Setsoto