



The **Princess Square Singers** commonly known as PSS Choir is one of the oldest (if not oldest) in the Province and arguably in the country.

Established in 1948 in Claremont in Cape Town by Black African domestic workers, under the leadership of the late Mkhonto brothers Stanley and later Sithathu aka Box.

The choir was named after an area called Princess Square Drive in Claremont in Cape Town and this was during the time when blacks lived amongst whites before they were forcibly removed under the Apartheid laws.

The PSS choir has a rich history in Gugulethu and nationally winning a number of National Eisteddfods in the past. Through entrenched youth development work it has produced a high number of professional choral and opera singers to name but a few; Fikile Mvinjelwa, Ntombizodumo Mahlaba, Kimi Skota, Lindile Kula, Nkosazana Ndimande, Khanya Sakube, who are now making a name for themselves in the performing arts industry and some currently applying their trade overseas and they are house-hold names in the Opera and choral fraternity.

The PSS went on to make a name for itself in the national choral musical stage, winning several choir competitions and becoming a dominant choral choir in the Western Cape since the late nineties. Some of its notable achievements are under the leadership of Mr Lhami Vanyaza:

- Winning the Inaugural SAB- SACMA Choral Eisteddfod in 1997

- Winning the 2002 Old Mutual/Telkom National Choir Festival
- Finishing 1st runner 2003 Old Mutual/Telkom National Choir Festival
- In 2017, the Male Choir won with 90% (Platinum) in a WeCCMA competition beating 26 choirs who participated