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**Montecasino scoops two *Best of Joburg Readers' Choice Awards***

Two of Joburg's most coveted *Best of Joburg Readers' Choice Awards* have been won by Montecasino – Best Theatre for the tenth consecutive year and Best Place to Watch the Game for Boktown, for the eighth year in a row, along with 10 awards in the Dining, Kids and Eat Drink categories.

The flagship property of gaming and leisure giant Tsogo Sun Gaming, Montecasino is located in the heart of the vibrant Fourways community in Johannesburg. It offers a 'world at play', and entertainment for local and international business and leisure visitors of all ages.

Montecasino's Teatro (<https://www.tsogosun.com/montecasino/entertainment/theatre/teatro>) celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017, and this year's award for Best Theatre pays tribute to the exceptional variety of local and international productions that have been staged at the Teatro since its inception, many of which have won awards in their own right. Soon to be seen on stage at the Teatro is the highly acclaimed global touring production of the Imperial Ice Stars Peter Pan on Ice from 6 December to 11 January, and the legendary Rocky Horror Show world tour from 17 January to 1 March 2020.

The Rugby World Cup has seen Boktown once again coming into its own to deliver so much more than just the game on a big screen to the Springbok supporting fans who know that this is the next best thing to being at the actual game. The award for Best Place to Watch the Game is well deserved, with the screening backed by entertainment, MCs, food & beverage offerings, appearances by rugby Legends and Bokkie the Springbok mascot, and the most festive atmosphere in Jozi.

Montecasino is also the home of some of Jozi's best restaurants and kids hangouts, with awards including Steers for Best Chips, Spur for Best Ribs, Best Kids Party Spot and Best Kids Restaurant; Debonairs for Best Takeaway Pizza; Nando's for Best Chicken; ColCocchio for Best Pizzeria; Mythos for

Best Greek Restaurant; Anat for Best Kosher Restaurant; and Ocean Basket for Best Seafood Restaurant.

Living up to its 'We've Got It!' slogan, the beautiful Tuscan-themed property offers the thrill of gaming in the casino; shows for everyone in three theatres, a selection of 15 cinemas including the largest fully digital screen in South Africa; a host of eating out and drinks-with-friends options from early till late, with over 30 restaurants and bars; outdoor events; three distinctive Tsogo Sun hotels – including the palatial Palazzo, the fun and trendy SunSquare at Montecasino and the contemporary Venetian-style Southern Sun Montecasino; speciality shopping; a broad range of unique and versatile, five-star corporate hospitality, conferencing and events venues and facilities; eve bird and other fascinating creature watching at the popular Montecasino Bird Gardens; and a host of other fun times.

Says Mike Page, Montecasino's Operations Director and Complex General Manager, "Being the Best of Joburg is an honour that always motivates us to be even better than the best – and to make every visit a memorable one for our over 9.3 million visitors annually. Our thanks to the Best of Joburg team and to the readers who voted for us – watch this space for even more world-class entertainment."



***Pictured front row, left to right: Lauren Small (Events Manager, Montecasino); Mike Page (Operations Director and Complex General Manager, Montecasino) and Bryan Hill (Teatro Manager).***

***Pictured back row, left to right: John Drigianakis (Managing Executive, Steers); Gareth Kaschula (Marketing Manager, Montecasino); Nathi Horo (Customer Relations Manager, Montecasino); Sashi Ranjithi (Owner, Nandos); Julia Pollecutt (Complex Tenant Manager, Montecasino); Rudy Grobler (General Manager, Mythos); Susanne Govender (Owner, Anat & Debonairs); Sybil Matlou (Owner,***

*Ocean Basket); Ivan Govender (Owner, Anat & Debonairs); Dickson Mdzimande (General Manager, Col'Cacchio) and Mano Kritzas (Owner, Steers).*

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#### **ABOUT MONTECASINO**

The flagship property of gaming, hotel and leisure giant [Tsogo Sun](#), Montecasino – South Africa's premier entertainment destination – is ideally located in the heart of Fourways in Johannesburg. An award-winning 'world at play' where local and international pleasure-seekers and business travellers will find every possible entertainment and hospitality option, [Montecasino](#) boasts a broad range of unique and versatile, five-star corporate hospitality, conferencing and events venues and facilities, various entertainment options for all ages, a glittering casino, numerous retail shopping experiences, three distinctly different luxury Tsogo Sun hotels – including the palatial [Palazzo](#), the fun and trendy [SunSquare at Montecasino](#) and the contemporary Venetian-style [Southern Sun Montecasino](#) – three theatres, including the award-winning [Teatro at Montecasino](#), an outdoor Piazza and entertainment area, a wide variety of stylish restaurants, bars and supper clubs, numerous children's entertainment options and luxury office park, all perfectly packaged to offer the very best in sophisticated entertainment options that deliver a unique and memorable experience.

Visitors to Montecasino are immediately captivated by the Tuscan theming and lively buzz that is so much a part of the experience across all four corners of this all-encompassing leisure precinct – an atmosphere that keeps them returning again and again. Add to this the ample parking and convenient location just off the main commuter routes – a few hundred metres from the off-ramps of major highways from Pretoria, the East Rand, the West Rand, O.R. Tambo International Airport and Lanseria International Airport – it is clear to see why Montecasino attracts in excess of 9.3 million visitors annually.

There are few properties that are as successful in providing hospitality and entertainment to the corporate and leisure market as the multi-award-winning Montecasino precinct. For more information go to [www.montecasino.co.za](http://www.montecasino.co.za), join us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/montecasino](http://www.facebook.com/montecasino) or follow us on Twitter at [@MontecasinoZA](https://twitter.com/MontecasinoZA). Another Tsogo Sun Gaming Experience. Montecasino - We've got it! Tsogo Sun Gaming supports the National Responsible Gambling Programme. Winners know when to stop. Only persons over the age of 18 are permitted to gamble. National Problem Gambling counselling toll-free helpline: 0800 006 008