

Tumi Morake, Riaad Moosa to represent SA in Netflix world comedy special

South African comedians Tumi Morake and Riaad Moosa will represent the country in Netflix and Just For Laughs' new stand-up comedy series, slated for 2019, which will feature 47 comedians from around the world.

Morake and Moosa will be part of 32 comedians that will record a half-hour special at this year's Just For Laughs Comedy Festival in Montreal in Canada from 24-29 July 2018. The additional comedians are set to record specials in Sao Paulo, Mexico City, Mumbai, Berlin, and Amsterdam.





Tumi Morake





Riaad Moosa

"Few things are better than discovering a new comedian you love. With the event, we're creating a true comedy festival experience for our members where they can scour the globe from home to find some of the freshest voices in comedy," says Lisa Nishimura, original documentary and comedy VP at Netflix.

Not only is Morake participating in this groundbreaking event series, but she is set to become the first African female stand-up comedian to have her own set on Netflix. Feeling humbled by this opportunity, she comments: "Incredible things are happening and I am beyond grateful. I'm putting my best foot forward and I am hoping to do my country proud."

"South Africans are witnessing a new era of comedy as local comedians are making a great impression on international audiences and we are so proud that two of our own from the Blu Blood stable are taking part in this incredible experience," says Osman Osman, Blu Blood MD.

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The yet-to-be-named series will feature a range of stand-up specials from comedians diverse in style, gender and ethnicity and will be taped in seven languages.

"I'm looking forward to returning back to Montreal to take part in the Just For Laughs festival. Netflix is taking comedy to a whole new level and even though I've been a part of several specials back home, I'm excited and honoured to be taking part in a series of this calibre," adds Moosa, the 'Good Doctor' of SA comedy.