

See and Be Seen Art Exhibition and Auction – supporting education and creativity

The inaugural “See and Be Seen” Art Exhibition and Auction, brought to you by Investec, is a fundraising event that forms part of Paul Roos Gymnasium’s 155-year celebrations and is especially significant considering the turbulent times we find ourselves in. Funds raised will be in aid of the Sponsor a Paul Rooser initiative, which provides financial relief to disadvantaged families in the Paul Roos school community.

The school is honoured to be in conversation with Deon Meyer and Frank Kilbourn at the opening and auction events related to the exhibition.

Deon Meyer is a household name in South Africa, and with books translated into 27 languages, he has also made a name as a crime fiction author and screenwriter worldwide. Recently, he received a knighthood from the French government for his writing.

Deon will be in conversation at the opening of the See and Be Seen Art Exhibition on Tuesday, 19 October from 10:00 - 12:00.

Frank Kilbourn is a respected business entrepreneur whose love for art is matched by his exceptional philanthropy. Frank was appointed Chairman of Strauss & Co in 2016. The private art collection of Frank and Lizelle Kilbourn, with over 1300 individual artworks, is a testimony of their passion for collecting and documenting the histories of South African art.

Frank will share insights into collecting and investing in art at the See and Be Seen Auction hosted on Wednesday, 20 October from 17:30 - 19:30.

Both events will be hosted at the new Indoor Center located on the campus. A limited number of tickets are available for both events at R250 each, including entertainment by Paul Roos learners, appetisers and refreshments.

Both Deon and Frank highlight the importance of the See and Be Seen initiative in building interest in the creative arts, while also supporting young learners in achieving a quality education.

Says Deon: “I participate because it is a privilege to support my community, Paul Roos and the arts in this way.”

Frank concurs: “Art not only enriches people's lives; it also unleashes creativity within people that enables us to better find solutions to the challenges of our time.”

The See and Be Seen Exhibition will run from 19 to 30 October (Weekdays 10:00 - 14:30 and Saturday 10:00 - 13:00) and is open to the public. Entrance is free.

Visit www.paulroos.co.za for more information on the tickets and participating artists.