M & M: MOREIRA CHONGUIÇA & MANU DIBANGO NOMINATED FOR SOUTH AFRICAN MUSIC AWARD

April 2018 - Morestar Entertainment, the recording label for the superb 'collaboration album', M & M; MOREIRA CHONGUIÇA & MANU DIBANGO, is proud to announce that the album has been nominated for a South African Music Award in the category Best African Artist Album

Released in 2017 after 5 years in the making, the album pays homage to great jazz standards close to the hearts of Mozambican saxophonist, <u>Chonguiça</u> and Cameroonian saxophonist, <u>Dibango</u>.

"I am honoured that this album has been recognised by the South African music industry. M & M has once again showed the power of collaboration. It was such a privilege to record side by side with one of Africa's greatest musicians and it is an experience that I will cherish forever", says Moreira.

"This was a special experience for me working with a musician who is not only a fellow saxophonist but also my friend. Despite our age difference, we have many similarities in our styles of music. I enjoyed the opportunity of re-arranging US standards and giving them an African twist. We must not forget where we come from, our heritage, our soul. The roots of jazz are in Africa" says the legendary Manu Dibango.

Recorded in France at Ferber Studios in Paris, and mastered in Cape Town at Milestone Studios, this album has received widespread acclaim.

This will be Moreira Chonguica's 9th SAMA nomination. Previous nominations include - The Moreira Project Vol 1: The Journey nominated for Best Instrumental, Best Contemporary Jazz Album and Best Producer which went on to win; The Moreira Project Vol 2: Citizen of the World, nominated for Best Contemporary Jazz, Best Producer and Best Album Packaging and went on to win Best Contemporary Jazz Album and Best Album Packaging and Khanimambo was nominated for Best Engineer and Best African Adult Album.

M & M: Moreira Chonguica & Manu Dibango, was also nominated for an AFRIMA award in 2017.

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