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INFO & M-PESA for booking: 0703-508195

17th May TUE - Muthaiga Country Club, 7pm (members & members' guests only)
18th May WED - Karen Country Club, 7pm (members & members' guests only)
25th May WED - Purdy Arms Karen, 7pm, KSH 2,200 advance, KSH 2,500 at the door
27th May FRI - Villa Rosa Kempinski, 7pm, KSH 5,000 incl. three-course meal

Shows outside Nairobi:
15th May SUN - GILGIL, Pembroke House, 2:30pm **22nd May SUN - NANYUKI, Soams, 2:30pm**

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She dreams of a glamorous lifestyle as the greatest opera singer in the world. But there is an obstacle: A rival appears on stage determined to reach the same heights. We follow the budding divas through marvellous arias from operas, operettas and musicals in their quest to find the perfect agent that will take them right up to the top...

German opera singer Doreen Ziegler and Kenyan mezzo-soprano Maggie Gitu perform a hilarious and entertaining show - somewhere between a comedian opera and an operatic comedy! #RentADiva

Proceeds from the Rent-A-Diva tour support the charity "Opera for School Fees".

Rent-A-Diva will soon perform at a venue near you.

To book a ticket call: 0703-508195

Further information on Rent-A-Diva are available online: www.bit.ly/rentadiva

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The Rent-A-Diva Cast

Doreen Ziegler, Soprano

The coloratura soprano Doreen Ziegler was born in Dresden, Germany and studied Music at the University of Wuppertal in Germany. Additionally she was educated by Reinhard Leisenheimer, Professor at the Music University of Cologne, Germany. Besides numerous concerts in various concert halls or churches Doreen Ziegler took part in different theatre productions of opera, operetta and musical. She also performs her own solo programmes and works as a vocal lecturer.

Doreen Ziegler was part of the ensemble of the Theatre of Gummersbach and the Theatre of Hagen, Germany. Further she laid emphasis on sacred music, as she sang the soprano part of different oratorio, mass and cantatas.

In Kenya Doreen Ziegler performed on several concerts with local artists, mostly for charity organisations like "Opera for school fees". In 2010 she was introduced as featured musician in the Kenyan magazine "Classics".

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Maggie Gitu, Mezzo-Soprano

Maggie Gitu is an American-trained Kenyan Mezzo-soprano currently based in Kenya. While in the US, she earned her BA and her MM, both in Music Performance. During this time, she was also honored to have sung with, among others, the St. Louis Symphony Chorus as a Principal Singer and the Bach Society of St. Louis as a Young Artist. Maggie has been involved in several staged productions including Gilbert & Sullivan's *The Pirates of Penzance*, in which she played the role of "Ruth". She has also been a soloist for several large works including Antonio Vivaldi's *Gloria*, G. F. Handel's *Messiah* and Lord Nelson Mass and W. A. Mozart's *Requiem*.

Maggie has had the privilege of singing for H. E. President Mwai Kibaki at his State House residence for the Mashujaa Day celebrations on Oct. 20th 2011. Additionally, she was honored to sing at the residence of the British High Commissioner to Kenya, as well as at the residence of US Ambassador to Kenya. Maggie's rich Mezzo-soprano voice, Contralto color and wide vocal range allow her the versatility to perform a wide range of repertoire, a unique quality much appreciated by her audiences.

Maggie played the role of the "Witch" in the Kenyan debut of Humperdinck's opera *Hansel & Gretel*, the "Witchdoctor" in the Kenyan opera *Ondieki the Fisherman* and "Marcellina" in Mozart's *Marriage of Figaro*. She is thrilled to be playing the role of a diva in *Rent-A-Diva*.

Maggie currently works as a private voice instructor, and a Marriage, Family & Sex Therapist (MA, MFT) and can be reached at:

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Cody Thomas, Piano

Cody Thomas is originally from Lizemores, West Virginia, USA, but has been living in Kenya since 2014. He is an alum of Mount Vernon Nazarene University where he studied Music Education and Vocal Performance. Since moving to Kenya, Cody has been active in the classical music scene as an accompanist, member of Greenwood Singers, and in The Magic Flute, amongst other things. Cody is currently a music teacher at West Nairobi School in Karen, teaching the band and orchestra classes.

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