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And this is South Africa's restaurant of the year!!! Congratulations Marble!!!

The 13th Annual RASA Rosetta Awards – the most sought after restaurant award – was held at the very elegant and prestigious Marion on Nicol Boutique Hotel in Sandton on the 6 December 2018.

RASA is a non-profit organisation that was formed in 2004 to act in the interest of the South African Restaurateur as the only official voice and lobbying body recognised by government to speak on the Restaurateurs behalf. RASA has direct representation with Government and various other boards and promotes restaurants as a sector of hospitality.

CEO and Business woman of the year finalist, Wendy Alberts the sensational MC – Big G and his Little Bru as well as iconic lifetime award winning Chef Dirk Visser hosted a spectacular affair with Bryte insurance, Diners Club International, Coca Cola and Fishermans Deli as the headline sponsors for the Restaurant Industry, gathering them all together to find out who had managed to snatch the top awards of the evening.

There are a number of categories for the very competitive restauranteurs and other allied industries who support them, and each year they vie for the honour of belonging at the top of their particular RASA award category.

Industry personalities in support were The Giggling Gourmet, Jenny there was also an address by Ms. Alberts and Barbara Brom from Sandton City and the team who put the incredible event together.

As the evening drew to a close, it was clear that the winners were over the moon, while there were a number of competitors who left determined to do it in 2019.

The winners for best in category were:

- Coffee Shop: KOFFI TERAPI

- Take away outlet: SIMPLY ASIA
- Eatery / Bistro Restaurant: CASA BELLA
- Casual Dining: WALNUT GROVE
- Café / Bistro: THYME ON NICOL
- Asian: SAIGON SUZY
- African: SAKUMZI
- Indian: THAVA
- Experiential Restaurant: ROXANNES RUM EATERY
- Relaxed Restaurant: SOCIAL ON MAIN
- Country Restaurant: THE BRIDGE BISTRO
- Intimate Dining: MYTHOS
- International Restaurant: ROCKETS
- Elegant Restaurant: SAINT
- Fine Dining: MOSAIC AT THE ORIENT
- New Restaurant: SAINT

The anticipation was breath-taking and a pin drop could be heard in the room as the nominees for the Best Restaurant for 2018 award were announced: Morrells, Restaurant Mosaic, Winehouse, Saskia's Fusion, Marble, Rockets Bryanston, Saint, Luke Dale Roberts Salsify Grei, Qunu and Roxannes rum eatery...

Finally the very well deserved winner for 2018 was announced and awarded to our very own world famous and respected Chef DAVID HIGGS and his opulent and extravagant restaurant -Marble.

The RASA Lifetime Icon Award was announced as the evening drew to a close, David Higgs of Saint and Marble along with Dirk Visser of AM BIANCE and Restaurant Mosaic was given the award for innovation, elegance, and style of international prestige.

Sources: RASA

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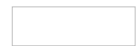
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