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TINTSWALO ATLANTIC RAISES R355 000 AT 'PHOENIX CHARITY DINNER' IN AID OF THULA THULA DISASTER RELIEF IN HOUT BAY

Through the generous support of guests, donors and sponsors, [Tintswalo Atlantic](#) raised a total of R355 000 at the 'Phoenix Charity Dinner' held at the hotel in Hout Bay on 3 May 2017. It was the second annual event of its kind, held in commemoration of the devastating Western Cape fires of 2015, which also claimed the original lodge.

This year's event was hosted by MC Joanne Strauss and auctioneer Joey Burke, with proceeds allocated to local disaster relief organisation [Thula Thula Hout Bay](#). Headed by Joanne Chamaly, the non-governmental organisation was founded in 2015 to address a need for centralised, community-oriented collections and distributions. Proceeds of this year's Phoenix Charity Dinner will be used to employ Thula Thula trainers to educate young people about the best course of action during fire threats, in an effort to help reduce fire disasters affecting local homes.

Lisa Goosen, CEO of Tintwalo thanked supporters at the fundraising event, saying that Tintswalo was grateful for the opportunity to reach out and give back to the local community, especially in the aftermath of the recent Hout Bay fires that affected 15 000 people and destroyed 3 500 homes in Imizamo Yethu township in March.

Background information

On 2 March 2015, a day many Capetonians remember vividly, a massive veld fire devastated huge swathes of natural vegetation, homes, and businesses all over the Cape Peninsula - among them the luxury Tintswalo Atlantic Lodge on Chapman's Peak. The owners did not let this devastating loss dampen their spirits however – instead, through sheer determination and with the incredible help and support from neighbours and local businesses, they went on to rebuild the lodge within only eight months. The rebuild was an opportunity to breathe new life into the property, creating an even better experience for guests.

The fact that the community came together so willingly to help one another during the aftermath of this crisis – from messages of support and financial donations, to actual physical labour, inspired Tintswalo to commemorate the occasion with a fundraising dinner. The event would serve as a reminder of the difference that can be made collectively, and would present an opportunity to give back by raising awareness and much-needed funds for critical issues in need of support within the greater community.

A year later to the day that the lodge burned to the ground, the Corbett family, the owners of Tintswalo Atlantic hosted its first annual Phoenix Charity Dinner – the name being in honour of Tintswalo rising from the ashes like a phoenix. All proceeds of the inaugural charity event and auction – over R300,000 – went to the National Sea Rescue Institute (NSRI), which was instrumental in helping on the day of the fires.

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About Tintswalo Atlantic

Renowned as one of Cape Town's most precious hidden gems, Tintswalo Atlantic is a five-star boutique lodge nestled on a pebbled beach at the foot of the ocean-facing Table Mountain National Park. The award-winning property is blessed with panoramic views of the picturesque Hout Bay Harbour, dramatic Sentinel mountains peak, and the Atlantic Ocean beyond.

About Tintswalo Lodges

Tintswalo Lodges is an exquisite collection of three family-owned and run properties in South Africa. Perched on a pebbled beach at the foot of the Table Mountain National Park, directly overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, the award-winning Tintswalo Atlantic boutique lodge is renowned as one of Cape Town's most precious hidden gems. Sharing an unfenced boundary with the Kruger National Park, Tintswalo Safari Lodge sits within the pristine Manyeleti Private Game Reserve, home to some of South Africa's best Big 5 game viewing. Within the lodge, Tintswalo Manor House offers a luxurious, fully-catered villa for families or friends looking for a tailor-made stay. Situated in the heart of Kyalami just north of Johannesburg, Tintswalo at Waterfall is a luxurious countryside retreat and private events space for urbanites seeking to escape the everyday strains of city life.

About Thula Thula Hout Bay

A number of times each year, fires across Hout Bay leave many residents with little more than the clothes on their backs. Thula Thula Hout Bay is a local disaster relief organisation started by a group of residents, who realised that there is a need to be

more prepared to offer support when this inevitable tragedy strikes. The non-governmental organisation proactively prepares for disaster relief in partnership with residents, retailers and businesses, with the mission to consolidate, coordinate and proactively prepare to assist victims of disasters, and to cater for the need for centralised, community-oriented collections and distributions. Thula Thula also seeks to educate locals in order to prevent fires in the first place.

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