

THE UMOYA WETHU SCHOOLS SPIRIT CHALLENGE

**Our spirit. Your school. One song.
Bring the gees.**

Umoya Wethu means “our spirit”. Performed by Tanner Wareham and Angel Mazibuko, it moves between English, Afrikaans and isiZulu and launched at The Lekker Network’s inaugural summit in Cape Town this year. School choirs picked it up on their own. Now it belongs to every school.

HOW TO ENTER

1

Sing it your way

Choir, war cry, marimba, drumline, dance, brass, beatbox, the whole school on the field. **Any age, any size, any language.** Note for note, or nothing like the original.

2

Post it publicly

Your school posts it, on two platforms, one of them LinkedIn. Tag **The Lekker Network**, use **#UmoyaWethuChallenge**, name the song and its performers. Keep both public until the winner is announced.

3

Email us the links

Only once it is posted. Email both links to **competitions@thelekkernetwork.com** with the details in clause 3.3. **Nothing to sign, nothing to paste in.** Links only. We cannot accept video files.

WHAT THE WINNING SCHOOL TAKES HOME

R50,000

For the school

For the school’s music, arts or culture, or to start a programme if there isn’t one.

IN PERSON

Meet Tanner Wareham

Tanner visits the school to meet the learners who made it happen.

ON AIR

Featured by The Lekker Network

Featured across The Lekker Network’s platforms and global community.

THE FINE PRINT, BRIEFLY

- **Every school in South Africa.** No entry fee.
- **One entry per school**, by a staff member with the principal’s approval.
- **Keep it under four minutes**, film it for this competition, and don’t sing over a commercial recording. Phone footage is welcome.
- **Get parent consent before you film and post** for every learner under 18 who is identifiable. That is the school’s job, done before we see anything. **Entering is your school’s confirmation that you hold it**, and carries an indemnity: see clause 5.3. Nothing to sign, nothing to send us.

WHO JUDGES

Tanner Wareham and **Angel Mazibuko**, together with the **four co-founders of The Lekker Network**.

Judged on creativity, spirit, how many learners took part, and how well the entry carries the meaning of the song. **Winner announced April 2027.**

ENTRIES CLOSE

WEDNESDAY 31 MARCH 2027, 23:59 SAST

SEND YOUR LINKS TO

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The R50,000 prize for the winning school

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The competition opens in **October 2026**. Results will be announced during **April 2027** on The Lekker Network’s social media platforms and by email to every entrant. The competition rules are available **free of charge at any time** from **competitions@thelekkernetwork.com** and at **thelekkernetwork.com/umoya**. The **R50,000 is sponsored by Nolands** and paid by electronic transfer into the school’s official bank account. The school visit is arranged with the school after the announcement.

INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT

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The judging of this competition is **independently overseen by Legalese**, attorneys, appointed under regulation 11(5) of the regulations to the Consumer Protection Act 68 of 2008.