

# LEADSA

## Call for South Africans to sing for Madiba's birthday

LEADSA is urging South Africans to add their voice to a recording of a special *Happy Birthday* song, before Nelson Mandela's 94th birthday on July 18.

LeadSA, together with the Department of Basic Education, SHOUT, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, Brand SA and Proudly South African, have issued an invitation to fellow South Africans to gather at Nelson Mandela Square in Joburg on Tuesday where a video will be recorded to mark the occasion.

"We are expecting hundreds of people to converge on the square where we will as one voice sing *Happy Birthday* to Tata Madiba. We want South Africans from all walks of life to join in. We want a rainbow nation of voices to celebrate Madiba's birthday and his legacy of active citizenship," urged Lead SA's Yusuf Abramjee.

Minister of Basic Education Angie Motshekga, along with scores of artists, musicians, sports stars, celebrities, television and radio personalities, will join their fellow South Africans to sing the song.

Among them will be: the Bala Brothers, Yvonne Chaka Chaka, Baby Jake Matlala, Miss SA Melinda Bam, Miss Earth finalists, Joey Rasdien, Leanne Manas, the Drakensberg Boys' Choir, Cito, Chris Chameleon, SA Ballet Theatre Company, the Absa Choir, Joe Niemand, Kurt Darren, Liquideep, Louise Carver, Jen Su, Lloyd, Emmanuel Castis, Denim and Die Kat Se Snor.

Musicians Danny K and Kabelo will lead the singing.

Anyone wishing to attend the recording are urged to be at Nelson Mandela Square at 9am sharp on Tuesday.