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Catherine Constantinides a 21 ICONS honouree

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HIGHLY ACCLAIMED: 21 ICONS season three photographer, Gary van Wyk with the South's own 21 ICONS honouree, Catherine Constantinides.

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CATHERINE Constantinides, the South's own renowned eco-activist, executive director of Miss Earth and Lead SA executive, was honoured to be one of the icons featured in season three of 21 ICONS.

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Constantinides was one of the first five icons that were revealed by the project's management to the public in early September. Other icons featured are performance artist Athi-Patra Ruga, rape survivor and gender activist Jes Foord, community activist and co-

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founder of the Kliptown Youth Program, Thulani Madondo, paralympic wheelchair tennis player Lucas Sithole as well as textile and knitwear designer, Laduma Ngxokolo.

Catherine posted on Facebook: "I am still truly blown away that I'll be featured in season three of the highly acclaimed and celebrated 21 ICONS campaign. I am so blown away by the 20 other young South Africans who are featured. They are truly remarkable and I am so honoured to be included".

A statement released by the 21 ICONS read, "While this generation does not have a foot in the past, only a respect for it, each of these icons has already started a compelling journey to make good on those opportunities afforded by their forefathers. Often, they have been motivated by the pursuit of a personal goal but their struggle to achieve their objectives has impacted positively on those around them. In overcoming their personal challenges, these people have proved themselves to be selfless individuals who act for the benefit and greater good of others".

"21 ICONS' purpose is to provide a platform for their stories, providing a showcase for their tremendous passion and infectious candour. South Africa's youth need role models and these icons demonstrate that small achievements have the ability to transcend barriers and overcome adversity. They prove that collectively we can move humanity forward and the future is now in their grasp."

The show aired on Sunday, October 4, on SABC3 at 19:25.

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