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Famous International Artists to Pay Tribute to Mandela

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Famous international artists like Beyoncé, Jay Z, Usher and Ed Sheeran will participate in the Global Citizen Festival, a free concert on December 2 in South Africa to honor Nelson Mandela, it was announced today.

This presentation at the FNB stadium in Johannesburg to celebrate the centenary of the birth of the legendary anti-apartheid fighter will have as presenters the award-winning Oprah Winfrey, the top-model Naomi Campbell, the actors Forest Whitaker and Tyler Perry, the journalist Gayly King -all from the United States- and Irish singer, songwriter and political activist Bob Geldof.

This concert is the culmination of the Global Citizen's Mandela 100 campaign, organized in conjunction with the Foundation that bears the name of the first black president of South Africa and which has held events in several parts of the world to honor his life and legacy in the 100 years of his birthday.

Others who will participate in the event are the South African singer and producer Cassper Nyovest, the Nigerian musician D'banj and his compatriot Femi Kuti, and the guitarist of the American alternative rock group Pearl Jam, Eddie Vedder.

The list includes American rapper, singer and songwriter Pharrell Williams, South African poet and rap artist Sho Madjozi, as well as Nigerian singer-songwriter and actress Tiwa Savage, among others.

For Pharrell is an honor to be able to participate in the celebrations of the legacy of Nelson Mandela, in an activity that will shock many people, according to versions published today in the South African press.