

# **Africa's Premier Jewellery and Watch Trade Fair**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

Jewellex Africa is the **premier trade fair** of the South African jewellery industry and has been hosted by the Jewellery Council of South Africa for 40 years.

This is the time when new merchandise lines and the most exclusive and extensive product ranges of watches, clocks, fine jewellery, pearls and precious stones, jewellery packaging, machinery, accessories and services available is offered to the local and international retail and wholesale jewellery industry.

This three-day event attracts exhibitors from inside South Africa, as well as from the **African states** and **international countries.** 

One of the main objectives of Jewellex is to become the trading hub of Africa and thereby offering international countries an opportunity to see what 'Africa' has to offer under one roof. It further aims to provide a secure trade platform for product distribution into and out of Africa.

Jewellex Africa 2012, which was held at the Sandton Convention Centre in Johannesburg in September, was a **resounding success**.

## **Statistics**

150 companies exhibited and approximately 2300 trade visitors attended the fair.

Nature of Business of Visitors	Percentage
Retailer	22.97 %
Retailer / Manufacturer	29.77 %
Manufacturer	20.93 %
Wholesaler	11.00 %
VIP	3.85 %
Other	14.19 %



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### Local Visitors - Regional Breakdown

Province	Percentage
Gauteng	73.2%
North West	4.2%
Limpopo	1.3%
Mpumalanga	3.4%
KZN	5.3%
Eastern Cape	1%
Western Cape	4%
Northern Cape	0.2%
Free State	4.6%
Not specified	2.8%

Area of Interest of Visitors	Percentage
Coloured Gemstones	47.81 %
Diamonds	50.57 %
Display / Packaging	42.15 %
Equipment & Tool Supplies	45.52 %
Fashion Jewellery and Accessories	31.75 %
Fine Jewellery	54.36 %
Pearls	32.05 %
Refinery / Metal Supplier	26.70 %
Service to the Industry	26.94 %
Silver Jewellery	43.54 %
Titanium Jewellery	27.18 %
Watches, Clocks & Accessories	33.01 %
Writing Instruments	14.67 %
Not Specified	3.37 %

## **Jewellex Social Event**

Jewellex is not all work! The Jewellery Council of SA celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday, sponsored by *De Beers, AngloGold Ashanti and Anglo American Platinum* at a dinner which was attended by 200 guests, including the Minister of Mineral Resources.

## **Jewellex Business Breakfast**

The annual Jewellex Business Breakfast was held early on Sunday morning, presented by **Ms Debora Patta**, one of the most prominent and respected journalists in South Africa.

Ms Patta is the Executive Producer and Anchor for television programme 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. Debora addressed the subject 'Why South Africa Matters - 10 Reasons Why South Africa is the best place to be today'. She wove a fascinating tale of the characteristics that make South Africans marketable around the world.

We thank Brinks South Africa for their kind sponsorship of this event.



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## **Jewellex Africa 2013**

**Jewellex Africa 2013** will be taking place from 31<sup>st</sup> August to 2<sup>nd</sup> September at the Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa.

The Jewellex Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr Rowan Jacobson from CJR Giftsales, are eagerly working on the arrangements for 2013!

For more information on the exhibition, please visit our website on <a href="www.jewellex.co.za">www.jewellex.co.za</a> or contact us on the numbers below.

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### JEWELLEX CREDO

- Jewellex is a trade exhibition and does not support trade with end users / private individuals.
- The Jewellery Council of South Africa does not support parallel events that detract from Jewellex.

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