



The South African Folk Music Association is staging another free concert at the Zoo Lake on Saturday from 12 noon to 6 pm. Held by permission of the Johannesburg City Council's Parks and Recreation Department, the concert will be staged on the open bandstand near the Lake restaurant. It will take the form of an acoustic musical afternoon with everything from traditional to contemporary country and folk.

Among the many artists taking part will be: Els Soccarats, Spanish trio who play traditional and contemporary Latin American; Jannie Hofmeyer, singer/composer from Cape Town; Paul Clingman, singer/composer of country and contemporary folk; Edi Nederlander, singer, composer and guitarist; Caroline and John van Nierop, contemporary and traditional husband and wife duo; and a host of new faces.

There will also be a special talk by Ramblin' Jack Domp.

Last week SAFMA staged a successful Free People's concert in the grounds of the University of the Witwatersrand. One of the highlights of that occasion was a rare appearance by Johnny Clegg and the Zulu troupe, Wa Madiebhe, pictured here.



Edi Nederlander Photograph: Don Seavill

## S.A.'s biggest ever Happening ?

Every year most countries in the world have a music festival that brings the music of the folk, past and present together.

The 8th Annual National Folk Festival is to be held from Thursday December 7 thru Sunday December 17 on a private farm in Rivonia known as 'The Farm' and owned by the Bryanston Churches Youth Council.

Amongst the many exciting names appearing this year are the Ahmed Mukhathar Group, Des & Dawn Lindberg, Edi Nederlander, Jerham Bhana, Linda Dawson, Mel Miller, Ritchie Morris, Theo Coetzee and groups from folk societies.

Also included on the agenda besides the normal evening performances of traditional and contemporary music will be musical workshops, discussions, children afternoon concerts, folk dancing, Volkspele, arts and crafts, music for Africa, jazz and three 'New Faces' concerts where any member of the public is invited to do a number on stage.

A bus service from the city will be arranged, and those who book through Computicket or read the newspapers will be advised of the times and places of departure. There are also buses being arranged from Cape Town (Phone Terry Hawthorne 53.6871) and Durban (John Dennen 81-4319) Johannesburgers should ring the South African Folk Music Association 608-2825.

People are continually bemoaning the fact that nothing goes on in South Africa and nothing is ever organised. Here is a chance to see for yourself what does go on and what is organised so do support what is going to be the most exciting folk happening ever.