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RELATE TO SPLASHY FEN WITH?
I CAN GET BART IN THE STUDIO TOO!

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**DURBAN RECORDINGS of THE HIDDEN YEARS
IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO ROCK 'N ROLL**

DAVID MARKS' DEBUT CD/ALBUM @ age 53 - Wednesday 2nd April SABC

Durban Tracks for this debut album by Music Producer & Song Writer **DAVID MARKS**, are being recorded from Durban via "digital LAN Lines" to the SABC's **RADIO PARK MUSIC STUDIOS** in Johannesburg on Wednesday 2nd April.

About 50 Musicians with whom David has worked & produced in his 30 years as a Sound Engineer, record producer & songwriter, have contributed to this 14 track 'lyrical' & 'acoustic based' CD, which will be completed for release in mid 1997.

The Digital Technology that connects Studios around the world has been used only twice before in South Africa - by **MANGO GROOVE** who connected from **TOKYO** to the SABC in Johannesburg & on David's **HIDDEN YEARS** Album in January, when 8 Cape Town musicians recorded from the SABC studios in Sea Point to the **M5 Studios** in Auckland Park, Johannesburg.

The recordings on Wednesday 2nd April in Durban will feature percussionist & producer **DAN CHIORBOLI**, & **DAVID'S** family of musicians: Brother-in-Law singer songwriter, **LEN DOWNING**, mother-in-law Piano & Choir teacher, **LEONIE DOWNING**, wife **FRAN** & daughters **LISHA & ROSE-LEE MARKS**, with ad-hoc appearances by his two sons, both guitarists, **DYLAN & ARLO**.

There will be guest appearances by David's musician friends **STEVE FATAAR**, **KEN E HENSON**, **SYD KITCHEN** & **MADALA KUNENE**.

To complete the project musicians **HUGH MASEKELA**, **MANFRED MANN** (in London), **SHAWN PHILLIPS** (in Los Angeles) & on their return from the USA **LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBAZO**, will also make guest appearances.

The CD is being Produced for **3rd Ear Music Productions** & **Radio Park Music** by **DAVID MARKS & ALAN JUDD** & Engineered by **EVERT DE MUNNIK**.

All the songs were composed by **DAVID** between 1964 & 1994 - the irony being that some of the songs, recorded by other artists in the 60's & 70's, & which were often 'avoided' or 'banned', are now being sponsored by the SABC. New &

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old songs are included in the collection with three early hits, **MOUNTAINS of MEN** (1966), **MASTER JACK** (1968) & **CLEAR, COOL, CALM & STILL** (1969). The '**BASIC BAND**' comprised of Durban's maestro Guitarist & Arranger **ALAN JUDD**, Drummer **VUSI KHUMLAO**, Bassist **CONCORDE NKABINDE** & Durban's Keyboard wizard, **JOE DELEW**. **DAVID** on acoustic guitar did the vocals.

Among the many 'name' musicians featured so far are:
JENNIFER FERGUSON, BRIAN FINCH, ROGER LUCEY, EDI NIEDERLANDER, PEDRO ESPI-SANCHIS, DAVE FERGUSON & NICO CARSTENS (who recorded from the Cape Town Studios).

GLENYS LYNNE from **4 JACKS & A JILL**, **RAY PHIRI, JOHNNY MEKOA**, with Harmonies & Arrangements by **JONNY BLUNDELL, LORRAINE SHANNON, ROBIN WALSH & WENDY OLDFIELD**.

Others appearing are **COLIN SHAMLEY, ANTON GOOSEN, JAKE 'BIG VOICE' LEROLE, JOE ARTHUR, TONY COX, SIMBA MORRI, IAN LAWRENCE** en **EVITA BEZUIDENHOUT** etc.

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