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Desperadoes prepares for Panorama

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WHILE it's anyone's guess where Panorama will be held in just over two months time, Witco Desperadoes will commence practice for the big competition as soon as December begins. The band is also hard at work for its inaugural Musical Magical Moments production, scheduled for December 10. Featuring a cast of some of the most accomplished mu-

sical icons in the land, this major fund-raiser will be held at the huge Porky's complex, located at the back of SWWTU Hall, Wrightson Road.

Confirmed artistes thus far include Black Stalin, Maximus Dan, Scrunter, Baron, Roy Cape All Stars, Neal & Massy Trinidad All Stars and Desperadoes, with DJ Crosby Sounds thrown in for good measure.

Speaking at the Guardian's St

Vincent Street office this week, Despers elder Julian "Vice" Cudjoe said that proceeds from this fund-raiser will go towards the establishment of the band's Retirees Welfare Fund; the sustenance of the Scholarship Fund, recently commissioned by band sponsor West Indian Tobacco Company (Witco) and annual Carnival expenses incurred by the band that are extraneous to the budget from Witco.

About the Retirees Welfare Fund Cudjoe said: "We have guys who have served the band in excess of 40 years and it's only right that we provide something for them in gratitude of their selfless and sustained contributions."

General admission for Musical Magical Moments is \$75, a steal of a deal given the calibre of live entertainment contracted by Desperadoes to perform for pan and music lovers. Cudjoe also disclosed that the event will be served by an all-inclusive section, admission to which will be \$250.

