



Abantu Book Festival

2017

THURSDAY, 7TH DEC

SOWETO THEATRE

Time	Red Theatre
18:00-20:00	Host: Lebo Mashile Remarks: Thando Mgqolozana Poetry Performance: Mthunzikazi Mbungwana Keynote Address: Tsitsi Dangarembga

FRIDAY, 8TH DEC

EYETHU LIFESTYLE CENTRE

Time	Main Events	Kids' Zone
10:00-11:00	Moderator: Masechaba Mtolo Topic: It's Me, Marah Featuring: Marah Louw	Drumming & musical introduction to the Abantu Book Festival children's programme by Gcina Mhlophe.
	Workshop: Creative Writing Masterclass Featuring: Nthikeng Mohlele & Zukiswa Wanner	
	Film Screening Documentary: UPRISE!	
11:30 - 12:30	Moderator: Phemelo Motene Book Launch: Justify the Enemy Featuring: Zakes Mda Moderator: Athambile Masola Topic: Beauty of the Heart: The Life and Times of Charlotte Mannyax Maseke Featuring: Zubeida Jaffer	Art workshop by illustrator, Khehla Chepape Magatu, and storytelling by Zanele Ndlovu and Stacey Fru.

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13:00 - 14:00	Moderator: Zethu Matebeni Topic: The Invisible Hands: Women of Marikana Featuring: Asanda Benya	Performance by Lorato Trok
	Moderator: Nova Masango Featuring: Gabeba Baderoon, Mthunzikazi Mbungwana, Siphokazi Jonas	
	Film Screening Documentary: This Land	
14:30 - 15:30	Moderator: Busi Dlamini Lekgotla: Black Media Worker Featuring: Neo Maditla & Sisonke Msimang	Reading by Sindiwe Magona.
	Workshop: Turning the Library in Africa into a truly African Library Facilitators: Simamkele Dlakavu & Zukiswa Wanner	
16:00-17:00	Moderator: Dania Mupotsa Topic: English Departments and African Literatures: A Marriage of Inconvenience Featuring: Grace Musila & Victoria Collis-Buthelezi	Storytelling by Xoliswa Guzula and music by Mpho Molikeng
	Moderator: Nyiko Lebogang Shikwambane Topic: Rioting And Writing: Diaries Of Wits Fallists Featuring: Busi Seabe & Tebogo Radebe	

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Time	Blue Theatre	Yellow Theatre
18:00-20:00	Description: Pumla Dineo Gqola in conversation with Tsitsi Dangarembga Tickets: R20.00	Malebo Sephodi in conversation with Mohale Mashigo Tickets: R20.00
20:30-21:30	Book Launch: The Heart Knows by Florence Masebe Tickets: R20.00	Neo Maditla in conversation with Nadia Davids Tickets: R20.00



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EYETHU LIFESTYLE CENTRE

Time	Main Events	Kids' Zone
10:00-11:00	<p>Moderator: Sihle Mthembu Topic: Mining the Archives of Our Lives Featuring: Shubnum Khan & Sifiso Mzobe</p>	Performance by Gcina Mhlophe
	<p>Moderator: Malebo Sephodi Topic: 'Medicine is my wife and writing my mistress; I love them both' Featuring: Kopano Matlwa</p>	
	<p>Film Screening Documentary: Winnie</p>	
11:30 - 12:30	<p>Topic: The Next Chapter of African Literature Moderator: Zukiswa Wanner Featuring: Ayobami Adebayo, Shubnum Khan</p>	Zakes Mda reads from The Prels of Ukhahlamba
	<p>Moderator: TO Molefe Topic: The Art of Editing Featuring: Phakama Mbonambi & Grace Musila</p>	
	<p>Film Screening Documentary: Hidden Histories – Bullhoek Massacre</p>	
13:00 - 14:00	<p>Moderator: Lebo Mashile Topic: Khwezi Featuring: Mmatshilo Motsei & Redi Tlhabi</p>	Performance by Gcina Mhlophe
	<p>Palesa Book Club: December Session</p>	
	<p>Film Screening Documentary: Ceasefire Ntate!</p>	
14:30 - 15:30	<p>Moderator: Mandla Langa Topic: Not the Youth League Featuring: Sindiwe Magona & Keorapetse Kgositsile</p>	Performance by Nomsa Mdlosene and Zintsoni Storytellers

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16:00-17:00	<p>Topic: Selling Books While Black Moderator: Kojo Baffoe Featuring: Nokuthula Helepi & Kays Mnguni</p>	
	<p>Topic: Queer Africa Moderator: Zethu Matebeni Featuring: Jennifer Shinta Ayebazibwe, Zukolwenkosi Zikalala</p>	

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18:00-20:00	<p>Zamandlovu Ndlovu in conversation with Ayobami Adebayo. Tickets: R20.00</p>	<p>A Conversation with Sindiwe Magona Tickets: R20.00</p>
20:30-21:30	<p>Topic: Triumphs and Paradoxes of a Writing Life Featuring: Mandla Langa & Nthikeng Mohlele Tickets: R20.00</p>	<p>Moderator: Masechaba Mtolo Topic: Almost Sleeping My Way to Timbuktu Featuring: Sihle Khumalo Tickets: R20.00</p>

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10:00-11:00	<p>Book Launch: The Blessed Girl by Angela Makholwa</p>
	<p>Moderator: Nokuthula Msimang Topic: The Professional Dabbler Featuring: Zakes Mda</p>
11:30-12:30	<p>Topic: The Art of Language Featuring: Hleze Kunju</p>
	<p>Sisonke Msimang in conversation with Pumla Dineo Gqola</p>
13:00 – till Babylon falls	<p>FINALE: Free Education Live – A Musical Concert</p>