

## MY CLASS – WELCOME – PROGRAMME OF THE JBF 2014

### Editorial

There are less than three weeks to the Jozi Book Fair, and to meeting the Guest of the Fair, Zakes Mda, and your book club members. Zakes Mda will participate in a number of activities at the fair, and also reflect on his work over the past 20 years of South Africa's democracy.

Given the theme of the fair, *Reading the word and the world: the role of book clubs*, we will host a special programme where book club members will talk about their favourite authors and books. We also have various book club members in 'conversation with authors'. The JBF Book Club Network will also launch its website at the fair. The role of the website is to facilitate discussion between book clubs and book club members about authors and books; and to build a movement of readers of all ages in all the languages of Southern Africa.

We include here the **JBF PROGRAMME for 2014**. Please note the programme is still subject to change, and additions.

The Floor Plan for Exhibitors is available, on a first payment basis.

We look forward to seeing you.

Best wishes

Maria

### Announcements

\* JBF, 26-27 September at Central Johannesburg College, Ellis Park. Open to the public on both days: workshops, conversations with authors, book launches and roundtable discussions.

\* Special Programme for Schools: Friday, 26 Sept, 8.00 – 1.00pm

\* Special Programme for Children: Saturday, 27 Sept, 9.00 to 2.00pm

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\* Parking available and food on sale.

### Jozi Book Fair Programme 26-27 September 2014

The Jozi Book Fair takes place over two days, on Friday and Saturday, 26-27 September at Central Johannesburg College, Ellis Park campus. The aim of the JBF is to build a culture of reading and writing in all South Africa's languages, and amongst people of all ages, children, school youth, women and the public. The fair has something of interest for everyone!

This year the theme of the fair is: *Reading the word and the world: the role of book clubs* and the Guest of the Fair is renowned Southern African writer, composer and filmmaker, Zakes Mda.

The fair brings together a number of authors, artists, librarians, and literary activists to host a number of activities including conversations with authors, book launches, workshops, seminars, a mini film festival and round table discussions.

### Overview of JBF Programme

- Both days, Friday and Saturday are open to the public. The JBF includes an exhibition of books and related materials by publishers and NGOs.
- The Friday includes a **Schools' Programme** from 8.00 to 1.00pm **and**
- A **Children's Programme** on Saturday, 27 September, from 9.00 to 2pm.

- Below is a brief summary of the Highlights of the JBF, activities according to theme, followed by the detailed Programme.

### **Guest of Fair, Zakes Mda @ JBF 2014**

**# The Guest of the Fair Zakes Mda** will include a range of activities:

Conversations with students (Schools Programme, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept, 12.30);  
 Theatre Performance: *You Fool, how can the Sky Fall*, will be performed on both days (Friday & Saturday);  
 A Roundtable discussion on 'Art and Conscience' with various artists (Steve Mokwena, (Friday @ 5.00pm);  
 Key Note address at the JBF Reception: By Invitation only (Friday, 7.00pm)  
 A Conversation, 'Women characters in the books of Zakes Mda' with Prof. Desiree Lewis (UWC), (Saturday @ 12 noon)  
 A Roundtable discussion: *The writing of Zakes Mda and 20 years of democracy in South Africa* (Saturday @ 4.00pm)

### **On the JBF Theme: *The role of Book Clubs & the JBF Book Club Network***

Given the theme of the fair, there will be a number of activities where book club members discuss the books they are reading together with the Reading Ambassador, Luli Callinicos (Friday & Saturday)

- Book Clubs Talk with Reading Ambassador: Luli Callinicos  
The book club members talk about the books they are reading. This is part of the Schools Programme, (Friday, 26 Sept at 10.50-11.30).
- Encouraging children's book clubs & Story telling, Children's programme, (Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> September)
- CLING (Freedom Park Book Club) – Play and discussion (Saturday, 27 Sept, 12.00-12.50)
- Conversation with author: *Not your weekend special: Brenda Fassie* by Bongani Madondo with Lungile Zakwe (Afrika Freedom Station Book Club)
- JBF Book Club Network discussion and launch of JBF BOOK CLUB NETWORK WEBSITE LAUNCH. Book club members discuss the authors and books they are reading, & Giveaways (Saturday, 3.00pm)  
Light Refreshments served.

### **# Roundtable Discussions at the JBF on Friday and Saturday**

- Marikana: Workers Conditions 2 years later  
With David van Wyk (Benchmarks), Prince Mashele (the Fall of the ANC) and Joseph Mathunjwa (tbc) (Friday at 3pm)
- South Africa 20 years later: democracy and impunity  
With Mtutu Nyoka (A hill of Fools), Jane Duncan (The Securocrats) and Shadrack Gutto. (Friday at 4pm)
- Art and Conscience: A Conversation with Zakes Mda  
With Steve Mokwena, Bridget Thompson, Phalo O Phala and Khwezi Gule (tbc) (Friday at 5pm)
- Children, Childhood and literature in South Africa

With Firdoze Bulbulia (Africa Children’s Broadcasting), Marcus Solomon (Children’s Resource Centre) and UNICEF (tbc) (Saturday at 12noon)

- ANC Women’s League: Sex, Gender and Politics  
With Prof. Shireen Hassim (author), Zukiswa Wanner, Mercia Andrews and Pumla Gqola (tbc) (Saturday at 2pm)
- Why Israel? A focus on Zionism and human rights  
With authors S. Dadoo and Mohammed, Na’eem Jeenah (AMEC) and Salim Vally (Friday at 3pm)

### # JBF Schools Programme (Friday, 8-1.00pm)

This is a special programme for schools. This includes a choice of 20 parallel workshops for students related to ‘the word’. The programme starts at 8.00 with the arrival of students and ends at 1.00pm. This includes visiting the various exhibitions and publisher and ngo stalls, Book Talk with the book clubs and a theatre performance on the Zakes Mda play, You fool, how can the sky fall; and a conversation with the Guest of the Fair, the Zakes Mda. (See Schools Programme below)

<b>DRAFT SCHOOLS PROGRAMME - JOZI BOOK FAIR, Friday, 26 September 2014, Central Johannesburg College, Ellis Park</b>		
8.00	Welcome & arrivals	Phala, Juliet Kabe and Thabo Letoaba
8.30	Introductions by Tsohang Batjha	
9.00 -10.30	PARALLEL WORKSHOPS – STUDENTS CHOOSE AND ATTEND ONE	
1	<b>Writing short stories:</b> a workshop	Shafinaaz Hassim, author & self publisher
2	<b>Poetry workshop</b>	Faradiba Morton, literary activist
3	<b>Spoken word:</b> workshop	Mak Manaka, poet and artist
4	<b>Woodworking:</b> A Do-it-yourself book on how to make a living and/or to make gifts from wood.	Peter Alkema
5	<b>Music and lyrics: writing songs</b> a music workshop on putting words to music	Harmony Rhythms
6	<b>From literature to films</b> workshop: <i>CRY of LOVE</i> the workshop focuses on books and making films.	Firdoze Bulbulia, Moments Entertainment
7	<b>Write your own history</b> - this workshop encourages students to write about their family or township.	Kwezi Gule, Curator, Soweto Museum
8	<b>Drama workshop: Unpacking Nothing but the Truth</b> by John Kani.	Phala O Phala, actor and director, Botswana & Wits University
9	<b>Born-frees &amp; SA’s 2014 Elections?</b> Workshop on youth voting in the 2014 Elections.	TBC
10	<b>TB book clubs: writing a newsletter.</b> A practical workshop to produce a TB newsletter.	Thabo Letoaba, Juliet Kabe, members of JBF Team

11	<b>Workshop on Writing Biographies:</b> <i>Brenda Fassie: Not your weekend special</i> (Bongani Masondo).	Bongani Masondo
12	<b>Open Mic poetry</b> - For the lovers of poetry, listen and perform!	Thabo Letoaba, the JBF Team
13	<b>Street Art: Open City Exhibition</b> The workshop includes a discussion & walkabout of the Exhibition & the use of the written word.	Wesley Pepper: artist
14	<b>Wall Murals, the word &amp; Jozi Book Fair.</b> Wall murals go back to the anti-apartheid struggle and beyond. How does the written word affect wall murals?	Sthembele Ngobeni, artist and member of the JBF.
15	<b>Making Comics</b>	Clinton Young
16	<b>Introduction to social media</b>	tbc
17	<b>Cell phones and reading:</b>	FUNDZA
18	<b>From Literature to Film, <i>The Tree of Life</i></b> by A. Said	Bridget Thompson
10.30-50	Break (20 minutes)	
10.55 - 11.30	<b>Book Clubs Talk with Reading Ambassador:</b> Luli Callinicos about the books they are reading	Nosipho Mdletshe and Luli Callinicos
11.45	<b>Theatre performance of Zakes Mda's Play: <i>You Fool, How can the Sky fall?</i></b>	Performance, directed by Phala O Phala
12.30	<b>Zakes Mda in Conversation with Schools</b>	JBF Reading Ambassador
1.15	Lunch & Schools leave	

**# JBF Children (Saturday, 9-2.00pm)**  
(see programme below)

- JBF, Faradiba Morton & Rhodes Park Library: *Rhodes Park Poetry Buddies* will launch their book of poetry and drawings (Saturday @ 10.30am).
- *Camping in the Woods*, a poetry book by 12 year old, Lethabo Mpete. Book launch (Saturday, 11am)
- JBF & the Finnish Literature (FILI), Finland, launch their first book, *The little Troll's Tail*, translated into Sesotho and Tshivenda. The book is story about children's rights and the Finnish author, Sari Vento, will read in English and Finnish (Saturday @ 11.30am). This is part of the thematic focus for children on 'playing with language'.
- The Children's Programme on Saturday, from 9am to 2pm and focuses on the theme, *playing with language*. The activities are hosted by children and adults from various organisations. This includes: storytelling, games, face painting, book launches, songs, and an exhibition by the Children's Resource Centre on its work with children over the past 35 years

<b>Jozi Book Fair Children's Programme, Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> September, 9.00 - 2.00pm, Central Johannesburg College, Ellis Park campus</b>		
1	9.00	Welcome to JBF Children's programme JBF Reading Ambassador, Luli Callinicos

		Games & warmup	Phala O Phala and Thabo Letoaba
2	9.30	Story telling	Bongani: Nali Bali
3	10.00	NACTIES - Songs & music	National Children's Theatre
4	10.30	<i>Camping in the Woods</i> , Poetry Book Launch	Segachris Publishing's 12 year old author: Lethabo Mpete
	11.00	Juice and fruit	
5	11.30	Face-painting	Jozi book Fair
6	12.00	<b>Little Troll: Book Launch in Sesotho &amp; Tshivenda/ english &amp; FINNISH</b>	JBF & FILI - Thabo - Sesotho. Ivonia - Tshiv. Sari Vento author of book, Finland.
7	1.00	Music, Games: with language	Children's Resource Centre, Cape Town.
8	1.30	African story telling	Saide
9	2.00	Story telling	Zukiswa Wanner, SA author

#### # Women at the JBF

- Seminar discussion: *Writing Today: young feminist authors discuss work, perspectives and challenges*, (Friday, 26 Sept, 2.00-2.50)
- Roundtable discussion: *ANC Women's League: Sex, Gender and Politics*, with Prof. Shireen Hassim (Saturday, 27 Sept, 2.00-2.50)
- *Women characters in the novels of Zakes Mda* with Prof. Desiree Lewis (UWC), (Saturday 12.00-12.50)

#### # South Africa, Migrant Labour & Heritage

*Gold & Workers: 1886-1924 - A People's History of South Africa* (Khanya Publishing) by acclaimed historian and the JBF Reading Ambassador, Luli Callinicos will be launched. This classic book, 'a must read' for all South Africans', is republished by Khanya Publishing, 34 years after it was first published. Luli Callinicos will be conversation on Saturday @ 1.00pm.

*Hostels, Homes and Museums* by Noeleen Morris and Leslie Witz (UCT Press) will be launched, and in Conversation with Ali Hlongwane, Deputy Director of City of Johannesburg Museum (Saturday at 2pm)

#### # Exhibitions

- OPEN CITY  
A multi-media exhibition about the city of Johannesburg, by artists Wesley Pepper and Andrew Whisper, in collaboration with Jozi Book Fair. Exhibition Opens Friday at 3.00pm.
- Marikana Photographic Exhibition with photos by Pulitzer prize- winner, Greg Marinovich and City Press Photographers.
- An Exhibition with my father – Mak Manaka

## # JBF Partnership with City of Johannesburg

JBF's partnership with the CoJ highlights the work of the city's various museums: Workers Museum, the Soweto Museum, the Transport Museum, Museum Africa and the Johannesburg Art Museum.

## # Promoting Reading, Literacy and Literature Activities (Parents, guardians, educators & librarians encouraged to attend)

- ✓ A workshop hosted by Goethe Institute: *Promoting early reading, literacy and equal opportunities in education*, with Ulrike Annick Weber. Weber works for the Ministry of Education, in Germany (Friday, 2.00-3.30am).
- ✓ A Workshop hosted by Goethe Institute: *Digital Media and the promotion of Reading* with Ulrike Annick Weber (Saturday, 11.00-11.50am)
- ✓ A workshop and launch of her poetry workbook, *Poetry for* hosted by Faradiba Morton. Morton was instrumental in the Rhodes Park Buddies poetry and drawing book (Saturday, 10-12.00noon)
- ✓ A Seminar Discussion: *Helping your Child to Read (ALL LANGUAGES)*, by Prof. Pretorius, UNISA (Saturday at 12.00-12.50).
- ✓ A Workshop with FunDza: *Teens/family and the public: Using Cell phone technology to promote Reading, Literacy and Literature*. Cell phones are pervasive in South Africa, (Saturday, 1.00-1.50).

## # Publishing Events (Friday and Saturday)

- Print, reading, book culture and debate in SA (Friday at 3pm)  
*Print, text and book culture (Wits Press)*, Archie Dick (confirmed), who is also the author of a UKZN press book, *The Hidden History of South Africa's Book and Reading Cultures* will talk together with Corinne Sandwith (confirmed), author of *World of letters: reading communities and cultural debates in early apartheid South Africa* (UKZN Press)
- Developing a critical reading culture in South Africa: What role for publishers? Porcupine Press, Jozi Book Fair and SA Book Council (tbc) (Friday at 2pm, tbc)
- Publishers, Self-Publishers and Emerging Publishers: Support services from the National Library of South Africa (Saturday, 12 noon)
- Self publishing: an introduction to self publishing and the publishing industry in South Africa. Dudu Mabaso (Black Letter Media) Porcupine Press (Saturday at 2pm)

## # Conversations with Authors, Workshops and Seminars, and Book Launches on Friday and Saturday (Please see below for details.)

CONVERSATIONS WITH AUTHORS: FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2014			
<i>A Flawed Freedom</i> a commentary on South Africa, 2.00-2.50	2.00 - 250	Prof. Emeritus JOHN SAUL	Eli Kodisang
Writing Today: Young feminist authors discuss work, perspectives & challenges	2.00 - 250	Shafinaaz Hassim, Zukiswa Wanner & Angela Makholwa (tbc)	Pumla Gqola (tbc)
Jozi	2.00 - 250	Perfect Hlongwane	Searatoa van Driel (tbc)
Print, reading, book culture and debate in South Africa	3.00 - 3.50	Archie Dick ( <i>Print, text and book culture, The Hidden History of South Africa's Book and Reading Cultures</i> ); Corinne Sandwith ( <i>World of letters: reading communities and cultural debates in early apartheid SA</i> )	Isabel Hofmeyr tbc or
Education, Economy and Society	3.00 - 3.50	Salim Vally & Enver Motala (UJ)	tbc
Liberation Diaries: Reflections on 20 years of democracy	3.00 - 3.50	<i>Busani Ncgqeni</i>	Mondli Hlatswayo
A Native of Nowhere: Nat Nakasa	3.00 - 3.55	Ryan Brown	Malcolm Ray

**WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS: FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2014**

The Right to Know launch and discuss their ' <b>Secret State of the Nation 2014</b> ' Report.	12.00-12.50	Right2know	Bongani Xezwi & Dale McKinley
FOR PARENTS, TEACHERS & LIBRARIANS Promoting early reading, literacy and equal opportunities in education	2.00 - 3.30	Ulrike Annick Weber, a Guest of the Goethe institute, works for the Ministry of Education, in Germany.	Goethe Institute
BLOGGING: What is blogging and how to blog?	2.00 - 2.50	tbc	tbc
Philosophical mysteries in words: Civilizations and the written word	2.00 - 2.50	New Acropolis Publishers	
Developing a critical reading culture in South Africa: What role for publishers????	2.00 - 2.50	SA Book Council (TBC), Porcupine Press, JBF, & Pan Macmillan (TBC)	TBC
Literature and translation: The Little Troll's Tail from the Finnish to English to Sesotho and Tshivenda	2.00 - 2.50	Rosalia Nankin (UNISA), Jacob Moikanyang (independent), Sari Vento (author)	James Mafela tbc
Challenging housing Evictions in South Africa Today	2.00 - 2.50	Michael Clark (SERI), Mogane (Tembisa Residents Association), & M Tsotetsi (Gauteng Concerned Residents)	TBC
Access to Rights and the Challenges facing Advice Centres in South Africa	3.00-3.50	FHR, NADCAO (tbc) & Legal Aid	Ighsaan Schroeder (TBC)



**BOOK LAUNCHES SATURDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2014**

<b>Rhodes Park Poetry Buddies</b> (Khanya Publishing) children from the local library launch their book.	11.00-11.50	Members of Poetry Buddies	Faradiba Morton
<b>Poetry Today!</b> (ebook)	12.00-12.55	Mak Manaka	
<b>A Killing in the Sun</b>	12.00-12.56	Dudu Mabaso	
<b>Gold and Workers 1886-1924: A People's History of South Africa -</b> (Khanya Publishing) REPUBLISHED 34 years later!	1.00-1.50	Luli Callinicos	Petros Mashishi (TBC)
<b>Into the Stars</b> (TML publishing)	1.00-1.50	Tiaan Lubbe, student at Wits University	
<b>Hostels, Homes, Museum: Memorialising migrant labour pasts in Lwandle, South Africa</b> (UCT Press)	2.00 -2.55	Noeleen Morris	Ali Hlongwane
OTHER STORIES	2.00 -2.56	Dilman Dila	
<b>Socialism and the church in Kerala</b> (Khanya Publishing)	2.00 -2.57	Mokesh Morar	tbc

**CONVERSATIONS WITH AUTHORS – SATURDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2014**

YOUTH & TEENS <i>Into the Bush</i>	11.00-11.50	James Hendry	Graham Barbour, Khanya Book Club
Myths, townships & HIV/Aids in South Africa,: <i>A different kind of Aids</i>	11.00-11.50	David Dickson in conversation with home base care workers	Grace Khounou (tbc)
<i>God's Little Freak</i> - a conversation based on the novel, about sexuality, God and religion.	12.00	Franz-Joseph Kerhan	Rev. Owen Franklin
<b>BLAZE</b> : science fiction book by young writer, still at school	1.00 - 1.50	Reneilwe Mabona	Victor Tembisa, Tsohang Batjha
<b>Not your weekend special</b> with music, biography of Brenda Fassie	1.00 - 1.50	Bongani Madondo	Lungile Zakwe, JBF Book Club coordinators, (Afrika Freedom Station).
<i>Die Sideboard</i> , includes a brief play, about returning 'coloured' soldiers, about loss & struggle.	1.00 - 1.50	Simon Bruinders	Julia Paris
Justice Edwin Cameron: <i>A Personal Account</i> ,	2.00 - 2.50	Justice Cameron in conversation with Khanya College bare-foot lawyers/activists.	Mad volunteers & Nomvelo Vundla

**WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS – SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2014**

TEENS & YOUTH: Reading, book reviews and how to write a review	10.00 - 10.50	Julia Paris, librarian, UJ	
YOUTH & EDUCATORS & LIBRARIANS: Poetry Workshop & Launch of Poetry Workbook	10.00 - 10.50	Faradiba Morton, Rhodes Park Library and JBF	
YOUTH: Making comics	10.00-10.50	Clinton Young	
YOUTH: KOTA BOOKS! Bookclubs and book camps	10.00-10.51	Tsohang Batjha	
YOUTH: Drama Workshop	10.00-10.52	Phala O Phala	
Writing stories: Melville 67 By Zakes Mda TBC.	11.00 - 11.50	Tidimalo Sekoateng & Eyitayo Ajayi, Wits Writing Centre	
YOUTH: Street Art and the word:	11.00 - 11.50	Sthembele Ngobeni & Themba Malaza	
TEACHERS, LIBRARIANS, PARENTS: Digital media and the promotion of reading	11.00 - 11.50	Ulrike Weber, Goethe Institute	
YOUTH: Art meets literature: Open City Exhibition tour and workshop	12.00- 12.50	Wesley Pepper & Andrew Whisper	
YOUTH: Beyond the mind of the oppressed: Music and the spoken word.	12.00- 12.50	Steve Mokoena & Afrika Freedom Station	
HELP YOUR CHILD TO READ (ALL LANGUAGES)	12.00- 12.50	Prof. Pretorius (UNISA)	
PUBLISHERS, SELF PUBLISHERS & EMERGING PUBLISHERS: Support services from the National Library of South Africa	12.00- 12.55	NLSA, Margaret Kibido	
Youth/Students/PUBLIC: Cell phones and promoting literacy and literature	1.00 - 1.50	Dorothy Dyer, Fundza	
Baithuthi: Break the bonds of slavery - reading and study groups for adults	1.00-1.50	KARIBU Newspaper	
Philosophical mysteries in words: Civilizations and the written word	2.00 - 2.50	New Acropolis Publishers	
Self publishers: Introduction to Self Publishing and the publishing industry in South Africa	2.00 - 2.50	Porcupine Press, Dudu Mabaso	TBC

**# A Mini Film Festival**

The mini festival that focuses on:

- *Cry of Love* about human rights and justice (Faith Isiakpere) (Friday at 9.00 and Saturday at This includes a discussion with Firdoze Bulbulia.

- *Tree of Life* about modernisation and humanity (Abdulkadir Said) (Friday at 9.00 and Saturday 1.00). This includes a discussion with Bridget Thompson (film-maker).
- *How to survive a plague* (TAC) (Friday at 1.00pm and Saturday at 12noon)
- *A Difficult Love* (Zanele Muholi, Out in Africa) (Friday at 3.00pm and Saturday 2.00pm). This includes a discussion with Zanele Muholi.
- *Labour issues (WWMP)* (on Friday & Saturday, times tbc).

All films will be shown on both days at different times.

**JBF Reception BY INVITATION ONLY!!!!**

The JBF Reception will be Opened by the Honourable Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, Elizabeth Thabethe.

Programme includes Live Jazz (Afrika Freedom Station) and A Play: Iintombi Zobomnyama (Daughters of Darkness) (Wits University). Guest speaker: Guest of the Fair, Zakes Mda and the Honourable Deputy Minister, Thabethe.