

ISISELE SENYATHI WOMEN'S HUB ON AFRICAN WOMEN'S HISTORY



ISISELE SENYATHI is the nation's first public exhibition and educational Hub dedicated to African Women's history.



OUR VISION

Our vision is to maximize the power of women's personal, community stories and shared history to enrich and transform lives. This will be by exploring the history, promoting and amplify the voices of those who may not always been heard.



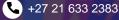
OUR MISSION

Our mission is to tell untold and unheard stories of ordinary South African women who transformed our nation; and help in healing the legacy wounds of our history. We will do that by:

- Collecting South African women's stories, restoring and documenting history and passing on memories.
- Educating, inspiring and empowering and disseminating knowledge to shape the future.
- Creating an opportunity for women to write their stories, knowledge and experiences and document the same through publishing articles, case studies and books.

For more information on Isisele Senyathi activities and events please visit: <u>www.ilithalabantu.org.za/isisele-senyathi-hub</u>

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OUR PURPOSE AND OVERARCHING GOALS

Our purpose is to promote Women's History by keeping women's voices alive, sharing their untold stories and restoring African indigenous knowledge. Most importantly, the hub will connect local stories to the broader stories of women's history worldwide, promote cultural understanding, storytelling and foster an empowered citizenry to strengthen our democracy, through championing herstory through Isisele Nyathi Women's Hub by building an institutional capacity for creating a women's hub disseminating information content related to collection and exhibitions by:

- To establish the Hub that will seek to honour the lives and legacies of all women, living and dead
- To ensure South African women's history is championed and lead the drive to catapult women into history.
- To bring to life the countless untold and unheard stories of African women throughout history, and serves as a space for all to inspire, experience, collaborate, and amplify women's impact—past, present, and future that will seek to honour the lives and legacies of all African women, living and dead.
- To assist women, especially young women to reflect on their identity and their destiny.
- To ensure African women's history is championed and lead the drive to catapult women into history.
- To showcase women's indigenous knowledge system as part of women's history and philosophy
- Advance the understanding of South African women's past accomplishments and contributions as a means of enlarging the historical record.



OUR OBJECTIVES

- Bring together academic scholars, community activists, public historians, and the general public for dialogue on social issues connecting South African women's past accomplishments to present and future concerns.
- Advance the understanding of South African women's past accomplishments and contributions as a means
 of enlarging the historical record.
- Ensuring South African women's history is championed and lead the drive to catapult women into history.
- To recognize the place of grassroots women in history and knowledge systems, and particularly their role in the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals for South African's benefit
- Celebrate women's histories, particularly our unsung heroines



OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND SERVICES

- Providing space for schools and universities to do their outreach, research and community work on matters
 pertaining to women's history and knowledge
- Memorial Lectures and Seminar Series with aim of enriching the cultural landscape of communities, African women and creating new opportunities for historical discovery.
- Capturing women's memories and recoding oral histories of women factory workers
- Showcasing women's indigenous knowledge system as a part of women's history and philosophy
- Photographs and historical documents in the collections will help tell the stories of women civic leaders, activists, photojournalists, and entrepreneurs.
- Allow for exchanges of experiences, successes and lessons learnt; mentorship; as well as networking capabilities with universities on whose subjects the material produced focuses on.
- Support activities which enable the written documentation of women's cultural heritage and perspectives in forms including storytelling.