

# FRIENDS OF THE ART MUSEUM

## Newsletter for 2021-2022

### “BE A PROUD PATRON OF THE VISUAL ARTS”

We welcome Friends to join us in creating a vibrant arts, culture and heritage community in Nelson Mandela Bay.

The Friends of the Art Museum is a non-profit public benefit organization, PBO930029573, run by volunteers that was founded in 1975. The Friends play a vital role in the development of the Art Museum and its collections.

Membership, donations and sponsorships are welcome!



By making a donation or paying your annual subscription fee it contributes to making the Friends of the Art Museum a more resilient organisation.

Support the Friends through membership and donations and by doing so, you help the Art Museum to purchase artworks, develop learning programmes and improve their exhibitions and services

**FRIENDS MISSION STATEMENT:** We take pride in Nelson Mandela Bay’s Visual Art Collection and are investing in its development, preservation and celebration.

#### You may help the FRIENDS in the following ways:

- Join the Friends and pay your membership fee
- Volunteer to conduct tours
- Volunteer to conduct art workshops
- Sponsor the refreshments for events or exhibition openings
- Pay the transport costs (bus or taxi) for groups or school learners to visit the museum
- Pay for lunch and refreshments for groups attending workshops



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### ARTWORKS PURCHASED

In 2018, the Friends of the Art Museum launched the Museum Gala to raise much needed funds for the Art Museum to purchase local art for the collection. Art lovers around the City showed their commitment to support local creative talent by buying tickets to the Museum Gala.

The sponsorship from Adrian Gardiner and the assistance of Michelle Brown, was crucial to the success of this initiative. The money raised in 2018 and 2019 has been used to purchase local art for the Art Museum's Collection.

The Friends purchased the following artworks:

Angie Weisswange – *Speliti Quartet*

Annette DuPlessis – *Pemba's House*

Ayanda Mji – *Busoso*

Ayanda Nkomo – *Mbiz'ekhaya*

Lizo Pemba – *Badlala Amakhasi*

Margot Muir – *100 Years (Knowing the unknown)*

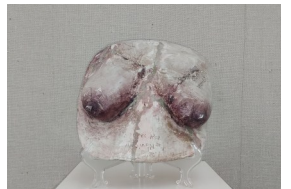
Michael Barry – *Biko Botha everyman All in vain*

Mxolisi Sapeta - *Departure II*

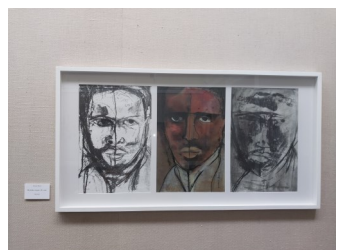
Mzwamadoda Yaya – *Production line*

Siphosethu Plam – *Imbokodo*

Timothy Hopwood – *Flat names*



The Friends of the Art Museum would like to thank Adrian Gardiner, Michelle Brown, all the designers, sponsors and those who purchased tickets.





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### SPONSORSHIP

The Friends of the Art Museum paid Atlas Security to monitor the Museum with 24-hour armed response, monthly since December 2019 until March 2022.

### 2021 Special programme

The Friends of the Art Museum sponsored art materials, lunch and transport for four groups that participated in the arts journal programme. The Friends paid for the groups to attend workshops at the Art Museum and to travel to the Art Museum to view the exhibition. Participating groups were: Hand in Hand Visual Art Studio from Motherwell; Raw Native Creatives from New Brighton; Artworks for Youth from Joe Slovo; Iz'Koli Art and Design from New Brighton.

The arts journal programme was presented during Covid-19 in 2020 to the presenters of the groups. The presenters conducted workshops to the youth from their community. The groups attended workshops at the Art Museum as well.

Their final artworks were on show in an exhibition titled, "Life in the time of covid" at the Art Museum.



### 2021 EVENTS

The Friends paid for the lunch and refreshments for 25 participants from out of town, who visited the Art Museum to see the transformational textiles exhibition. The 2 groups of Ladies were from the Keiskamma Art Project and Mapula Embroidery project. They reflected on their artworks that were on display in the exhibition. They discussed their artworks and planned another collaborative artwork on 22 and 23 November 2021.



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## 2022 SPECIAL PROGRAMME

The Friends paid for the transport, art materials, lunch and refreshments for the Missionvale Art Youth programme.

The participants from Missionvale were: Kamva Mabija, Owethu Swartbooi, Luhlumelo Makasi, Kamvalethu Jengile, Xolela Mdingi, Abongile July, Athenkosi Maxakana and Xolani Magquntulu.

Workshops were presented by: Bretten-Anne Moolman, Lungiswa Mvambi, Buzwe Ngcayisa, Sanelisiwe Singaphi, Khaya Ngcangca and Cedric Vanderlinden.

The workshops were presented on 19 & 26 February and on 5, 12, 19, 26 & 28 March 2022.

Their final artworks were on display at the Missionvale Care Centre and will be on display at the Art Museum in December.



## 2022 EVENTS

The Friends of the Art Museum and ARTEC hosted a tea party on the 31 August 2022 in honour of Mary-Rose Dold. The Friends provided the refreshments.





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## BECOME A FRIEND

### Support the Friends by becoming a member as follows:

- Corporate patrons: A single outright donation of R5000
- Life members: An individual making a single outright donation of R750
- Friends: Annual subscription of R 50 per individual
- Couples: Annual subscription of R 75 per couple
- Students: Annual subscription of R 25 per student
- Junior members: Annual subscription of R 25 per junior member  
(Please note that Life members do not have to pay again)

Your annual subscription fee contributes to making the Friends of the Art Museum a more resilient organisation.

Payments can be made at the NMM Art Museum (in cash) or into the Friends bank account: Banking details:

Account holder: Friends of the Art Museum

Bank: Nedbank

Account number: 9000 173 796

Account type: Savings

Branch code: 198 765



**A huge THANK YOU to all our, members,  
sponsors and art patrons!**

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