

ZEITZ MOCAA OPENS IT'S FIRST EVER CHILDREN-FOCUSED EXHIBITION TITLED *AND SO THE STORIES RAN AWAY*

Cape Town, 6 September 2019: The first exhibition for children to be held at Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa opens on Saturday, 7 September 2019.

Curated by Zeitz MOCAA's Centre for Art Education (CFAE), the exhibition is titled *And So The Stories Ran Away*, and is an innovative collaboration between the Michaelis School of Fine Art, the Ruth Prowse School of Art, as well as the Nyanga Arts Development Centre.

This exhibition celebrates stories from Africa and has been created to engage the imaginations of children as the primary audience - inviting them into a multi-sensory, interactive experience with works of art.

"The title is inspired by a Nigerian Ekoi legend of how the character Mouse visits the houses of all people, gathering their stories and making it her own, as if like children," says co-curator and CFAE head, Liesl Hartman.

Installed in the tunnels on the museum's lower ground level around the atrium bowl, *And So The Stories Ran Away* sees the creation of a fantasy world of strange and wondrous creatures, characters, and mysterious spaces.

"This is an invitation to children and children at heart to go on a journey of discovery and rediscovery of old and new stories from across Africa," adds co-curator and Zeitz MOCAA Educator, Richard Kilpert.

And So The Stories Ran Away sees students from Ruth Prowse and Michaelis working under the mentorship of artists, Jill Joubert and Isabelle Grobler, and curators Liesl Hartman and Richard Kilpert.

The exhibition opens to the public on Saturday, 7 September and will be accompanied by a series of events.

Exhibition Title: *And So The Stories Ran Away*
Venue: Zeitz MOCAA, Level -1 Tunnels
Run dates: 8 September 2019 – 30 March 2020
Exhibition Curators: Liesl Hartman and Richard Kilpert

Mentor Artists

Jill Joubert and Isabelle Grobler

Invited artist

Lynette Bester

Art students

Michaelis School of Fine Art

Sahlah Davids
Megan Fritz
Wanda Klaas

Nadine le Roux
Sinead Mason
Robyn-Tayla Meikle
Margot Sheppard
Aleksandra Sumner-Priilaid
Courteney Webb

Ruth Prowse School of Art

Yonela Doda
Talitha du Preez
Silver Mackenzie
Joshua Malan

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About Zeitz MOCAA

Zeitz MOCAA is a public not-for-profit contemporary art museum that collects, preserves, researches and exhibits 21st-century art from Africa and its diaspora; hosts international exhibitions; develops supporting educational and enrichment programmes; encourages intercultural understanding; and guarantees access for all.

Galleries are dedicated to a large cutting-edge collection; special exhibitions; and Centres for Art Education, Curatorial Training, Performative Practice, Photography and the Moving Image. Zeitz MOCAA was established through a partnership between the V&A Waterfront led by CEO David Green - acting on behalf of Growthpoint Properties Limited and the Government Employees Pension Fund (GEPF), represented by the Public Investment Corporation Limited (PIC) - and collector Jochen Zeitz. The building was reimagined through a design by the acclaimed London-based Heatherwick Studio.