

KZN MUSEUM NEWS

Monthly update on everything that happens in the KZN Museum!



Happy New Year



Dear valued KZN Museum patrons,

As we ring in the new year, the KwaZulu-Natal Museum would like to extend our heartfelt well wishes to you and your loved ones. We hope that the year ahead is filled with joy, prosperity, and meaningful experiences for all.

We are grateful for your continued support and look forward to welcoming you back to the Museum in 2023. As you plan your visits to our museum in the coming year, we encourage you to explore the diverse range of cultural and historical exhibitions as well as other programmes we have on offer at the KwaZulu-Natal Museum.

Thank you for your trust in us and for being a valued part of our community.

Sincerely,
Mr LJ Maphasa (Director)
KwaZulu-Natal Museum

2023 And Beyond!

A NEVER ENDING JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY!



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A holiday season to remember at the KZN Museum



KwaZulu-Natal Museum held its annual December Holiday Programme designed to deliver a fun-filled learning experience suitable for children between the ages of 6-13 years old.

The 3 day programme featured a range of Christmas themed activities such as crafting Christmas gift bags and snow globes on days 1 and 3.

Day 2 of the programme saw the children learn about African mammals, including an exclusive tour of the renowned Warren Mammal Hall, which houses the largest collection of taxidermied African mammals



Shark Dissection Show

The KwaZulu-Natal Museum collaborated with the KwaZulu-Natal Sharks Board to bring a one of a kind experience for museum goers, a live shark dissection show.

The show aimed to not only thrill KZN Museum patrons, but also served to educate and provide information on subjects such as the sensory biology of sharks and their role as top predators in the marine environment, falling in line with the KZN Museums mission of interpreting material evidence of the natural and cultural world to the community at large



A First For PMB

Learner's Resource Centre (Internet Café)

Operating times

Weekdays: 9h00 - 16h00
 Saturdays: 9h00 - 16h00
 Sundays: 10h00 - 15h00

Services

Internet Access: R10 per hour
 Copies: R0.50 per page
 Printouts: R1.00 per page

Services

Scanning: R3.00 1st page thereafter
 R1.00 per page



Launch of Fuze's Gourd

The KwaZulu-Natal Museum in conjunction with the UKZN Press, celebrated the republication of *Abantu Abamnyama Lapa Bavela Ngakona/The Black People and Whence They Came*, along with the unveiling of the display of Fuze's Gourd.

The republication of the book in 2022 marks 100 years since the original Zulu version of *Abantu Abamnyama Lapa Bavela Ngakona* was published in 1922.

You can visit the KwaZulu-Natal Museum to view the display and learn more about the man behind the book, Magema Magwaza Fuze

There's always something new to see.

Day of Reconciliation

Reconciliation Day celebrations came early at the KwaZulu-Natal Museum in a joint event with the uMgungundlovu District Municipality.

The event was held to commemorate the upcoming public holiday, a day of vast significance to South Africa, as people reflect on the country's past, forgiveness, and healing for the nation and its progress towards creating a more just and equitable society.



KZN Museum School Tours & Lessons

School Tour Fees

Learners on Tour: R2.50 per learner
 One Educator per 20 learners is FREE
 Teachers/Adults: R15.00

Enquiries: 033 345 1404/reception@nmsa.org.za

Lessons Offered

A wide range of curriculum enrichment lectures/talks are available for all grades. Lectures make use of specimens and exhibits and the talks are also enriched by the use of notes and worksheets. Lectures can be designed to suit the educator's/ school's need.

KZN Museum Storeroom Talks



Visiting Scholar Dr. V. M. Viestad

The tortoise-shell box is known from most ethnographically documented San contexts and can even be identified in the rock art of South Africa. Yet it has rarely been described or explained other than as an ornament, and a container of medicines, powdered fragrant herbs and roots.

During the talk, Dr Vibeke M. Viestad explored the making, appearance, use and importance of the tortoise-shell box among the Omaheke Jul'hoansi in Namibia, from the early 20th century to today.

With the help of the collections of the KwaZulu-Natal Museum, Dr Viestad also aims to widen the scope, to include other San groups to the equation, by discussing similarities in use, over time and space, and cultural notions of place, potency, and protection associated with the beauty and fragrance of the tortoise-shell box.

Groot Winterhoek Mountains, EC

In November 2022, Dr Vibeke Viestad from the University of Oslo joined Drs Ghilraen Laue and Justine Wintjes, Human Sciences Department, KwaZulu-Natal Museum for a short field trip in the Groot Winterhoek Mountains.

The Groot Winterhoek Mountains lie at the eastern extent of the Cape Fold Belt about 40 kms northwest of Gqeberha. Four new rock art sites were recorded.

Full Article: <https://tinyurl.com/2hrdxm87>

Human Sciences Fieldwork



KwaZulu-Natal Museum Venue Hire

Pringle Hall	Capacity: 200	Hourly Rate (min 2hrs): R350	Daily Rate: R1 500
Ingede Theatre	Capacity: 63	Hourly Rate (min 2hrs): R275	Daily Rate: R1 200

Enquiries call 033 345 1407 or email reception@nmsa.org.za (T's & C's apply)

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 Sundays - 10:00 to 15:00
 Holidays - 9:00 to 16:00

ENTRANCE CHARGES
 Adults : R 15.00 (Over 17 years)
 Children : R 5.00
 Scholars : R 2.50 (On tour) per child
 Pensioners & Toddlers : FREE

