

# THE VOICE OF FREEDOM



20p

# SOUTHERN AFRICA - THE IMPRISONED SOCIETY

presents:

Sunday 14th December, 1975 at 7.30pm

Collegiate Theatre

with:

Eleanor Bron  
Morag Hood  
Melody Mancube  
John Matshikiza

Ian McKellen  
Lewis Nkosi  
Andrew Salkey

music by Molombo:

Julian Bahula  
Ernest Mothle  
Lucky Ranku  
Dudu Pakwane

production by:

Anthony Akerman

appeal for funds:

John Forrester AUEW (TASS)

speech:

David Meroro National chairman,  
SWAPO (Namibia)

## **PART ONE**

music by Molombo

David Meroro

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appeal for funds by John Forrester

## **INTERVAL**

## **PART TWO**

music by Molombo

*Senzenina* (what have we done - song)

from *South Africa - the Imprisoned Society* by Al Cook

Men in Chains (poem by Oswald Mtshali)

from 'Domesticating the African' by Nimrod Mkele

from *A Taste of Power* by Peter Randall

Kissing Babies is Wrong

To Whom It May Concern (poem by Sydney Sepamla)

from *South Africa the Imprisoned Society* by Al Cook

from *For Their Triumphs & For Their Tears* by Hilda Bernstein

Touch (poem by Hugh Lewin)

from an unpublished work by Gillian Jewel

from *The Terrorism of Torture* by Hilda Bernstein

Before Interrogation? (poem by A N C Kumalo)

*Thula Mama* (in a lullaby a mother whispers hopes of a free South Africa to her child)

Two Buckets (poem by Stanley Mogoba)

from a statement by John Otto

letter from a Namibian prisoner on Robben Island

The Political Prisoner (poem by Mazisi Kunene)

letter from Magdalena Nalambo Slamena

letter from Mr Kalimba (SWAPO)

No Cause for Alarm (poem by Barry Feinberg)

from *The Man in the Middle* (C I I R)

letters from Zimbabwe

*Bahle Li Bonke* (All sitting together - prison song)

Behind a Barred Window (poem by Hugh Lewin)

Lilian Ngoyi (poem by A N C Kumalo)

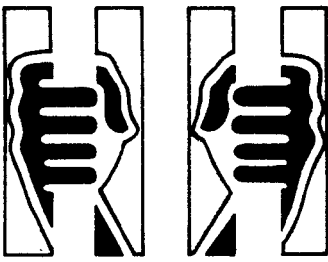
from S A Hansard on Bram Fischer

Hear now a sound of floods (poem by Keorapetse Kgositsile)

from Statement from the dock by Nelson Mandela

Today in Prison (poem by Dennis Brutus)

*Nkosi Sikelele I-Africa* (God save Africa - national anthem)



# Southern Africa- the imprisoned society

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and 40 former South African  
political prisoners and detainees.

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The SATIS campaign originated at a conference in December 1973. Since then it has coordinated and initiated work on campaigns for the release of all political prisoners and against the various forms of imprisonment which constitute the framework of life for the black majority in Southern Africa.

Each year since 1973 SATIS has commemorated Human Rights Day with an event to draw public attention to the position of political prisoners in Southern Africa. Last year, Angela Davis spoke to massive audiences in this country of the need for continued international pressure for the release of political prisoners, which in her case had proved so effective.

This year has seen five major political trials in South Africa and Namibia, and the number of detainees has increased dramatically. Despite so-called 'detente' in relation to Rhodesia, freedom fighters and others are still being sentenced to death in Salisbury, and the number held in detention has increased.

Our work must continue to intensify until Southern Africa is no longer 'the imprisoned society'. To do this, we urgently need your support. Please contact us at the address below for further information.

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