

# Azizo Mtshabe

Cape Town High School

Grade: 11

Age: 18

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## Hobbies:

Basketball, jogging, gym and modelling

## Favourite Subjects:

English, History

## Why did you join the workshops and this project?

I joined this particular project because I like indulging myself in outside activities to strengthen my knowledge of museums. I believe that by joining workshops I get to learn more about a lot of things.

## Experiences during the workshops:

The workshops, from my perspective, were very nice because I learnt a lot about the District Six Museum and forced removals. I also learnt about the experience of working in a group, creating ideas to collaborate around so that we develop our curatorial abilities. Being a curator is not an easy task at all, but during the past 6 weeks I really got to know what a curator's job is and how a curator thinks. I personally enjoyed the workshops and am very interested in being part of more projects to come.

# Amanda Ndika

Cape Town High School

Grade: 10

Age: 15

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## Hobbies:

Reading, karate, singing and dance

## Favourite Subjects:

English, IsiXhosa, Business, History

**Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

**Experiences during the workshops:**



# Zine-Lee Mahlakata

Cape Town High School

Grade: 10

Age: 15



## **Hobbies:**

Dancing, writing and reading

## **Favourite Subjects:**

History, English

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

My teacher first approached me about this project. I was confused because I wasn't sure what it was really about. All I knew was that it had something to do with District Six. When I learnt what curating was all about I was very excited to be part of the exhibition and I decided after the very first day that this is what I wanted to do.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

It has been tough, but fun and exciting at the same time. Working with different people and meeting people with different talents has changed my perspective on judging people before actually getting to know them. I've also gained a lot more confidence because I now know my abilities, strengths and what I really enjoy doing. I work very well with people and I really enjoyed learning new things and gaining experience. I really enjoyed being a curator and if I should ever get an opportunity like this again I wouldn't think twice about taking it. This was an unforgettable experience. I've learnt so much.

# Lusindiso Qongo

Cape Town High School

Grade: 11

Age: 18

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## **Hobbies:**

Poetry, rap music, soccer, cricket, reading

## **Favourite Subject:**

History

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

My history teacher asked me to take part in this workshop and I was interested.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

I've learnt a lot of things about what a curator does. I've learnt about how painful it was for people of District Six to be removed from their own land by the Apartheid government with their greed and bulldozers. I've also learnt how to think like a curator and help people to look at the bigger picture.

# Chandré Jacobs

Gardens Commercial High School

Grade: 9

Age: 14



**Hobbies:**

Listening to music, watching movies, reading, dancing and playing soccer

**Favourite Subjects:**

English, Art, and Economic and Management Science

**Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

I was chosen by my teacher to join the project and I agreed because I was interested in finding out what the workshops would be about.

**Experiences during the workshops:**

I met new people from different schools and I've had lots of fun. I have learnt a lot about curating and photography as well as about the history of District Six.

# Chadwyn Matthews

Gardens Commercial High School

Grade: 10

Age: 16

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## **Hobbies:**

Reading, watching TV, table tennis

## **Favourite Subjects:**

Maths, Accounting, Economics, Afrikaans, Business Studies

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

I joined the workshops because my teacher thought that I would be interested in curatorial work.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

It taught me how to curate things and look at my work, not only in a one dimensional way but in totality.

# Asanda Mgaba

Gardens Commercial High School

Grade: 10

Age: 15

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## Hobbies:

Writing poems, listening to music, reading, playing soccer

## Favourite Subjects:

Accounting, Maths

## Why did you join the workshops and this project?

I was chosen by my teacher to join and I agreed because I had nothing better to do on Saturdays.

## Experiences during the workshops:

I have learned how to communicate with other students, how to curate and take photographs that tell a story.

# Nthabiseng Lerotholi

Gardens Commercial High School

Grade: 9

Age: 14

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## **Hobbies:**

Rap music, Basketball, poetry, telling lame jokes

## **Favourite Subjects:**

Natural Science and History

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

My teacher asked me and I was honoured because she could have chosen anybody, so I said, 'yes'. Also, it was a very good way to learn about District Six.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

I've learnt a lot especially about curating and photography. It also built my self-esteem. I've met people from District Six (ex-residents from Horstley Street), for which I'm honoured. I've also made friends and had fun. One thing I'll never forget is claiming to know Cape Town but once you've seen the remains of District Six, you'll think again.



# Vuyolwethu Mngeni

Gardens Commercial High School

Grade: 11

Age: 16

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## **Hobbies:**

Reading and drawing

## **Favourite Subjects:**

Mathematics

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

I joined the workshops because I wanted to experience something new and to learn.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

My experience has been truly amazing. I've learnt a lot about curating, especially attention to detail. Every Saturday was filled with hard work, but fun also. I've met new people and learnt to communicate better. At first I was a bit sceptical, but as the weeks went by I got used to the environment and the people.

# Lindelwa Ditha

Gardens Commercial High School

Grade: 11

Age: 16

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## Hobbies:

Reading, Sports (Netball)

## Favourite Subjects:

Economics

## Why did you join the workshops and this project?

I joined the workshop because I have an interest in learning new things, especially about the history of the people around me. I wanted to learn more about Cape Town, seeing that I was born and bred here.

## Experiences during the workshops:

I've learnt a lot. I learnt mainly about curating. I learnt how to prepare for an exhibition and that you shouldn't hurry to get things done. My experience has been awesome and very interesting. I learnt to pay attention and take in feedback.

# Sitka Lombard

Queens Park High School

Grade: 9

Age: 15

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## **Hobbies:**

Swimming, listening to music, writing poems, chilling with friends and family

## **Favourite Subject:**

History

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

My neighbour (Aunt Mandy Sanger;) forced me to come! (Just joking!) She brought us a few application forms and asked if my brother and I would like to come.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

Every experience whether it was tiring, exciting or feeling hungry was and will be some of my favourite memories.

# Aloisette Marshall

Queens Park High School

Grade: 11

Age: 18

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## **Hobbies:**

Soccer, Drawing

## **Favourite Subjects:**

Maths, Sciences

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

I was interested in learning about the history of District Six and it was an opportunity to meet new people and share my ideas.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

I did not have a hard time introducing myself to people. I'm having the best experience from a learning perspective while having fun.

# Alain Lombard

Queens Park High School

Grade: 11

Age: 17

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## **Hobbies:**

Rugby, swimming and cooking

## **Favourite Subjects:**

Hospitality and English

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

To learn about the past.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

Loving every moment of it.



# Lumba Ndhlovu

Good Hope Seminary High School

Grade: 10

Age: 16

## Hobbies:

Watching movies and swimming

## Favourite Subjects:

History and Art

## Why did you join the workshops and this project?

I wanted to experience the process of working on an exhibition and because my history teacher encouraged me to.

## Experiences during the workshops:

I have had an amazing time. We were able to get to the places where District Six used to be and that for me was amazing. I had so much fun and laughter working with my group and that for me was the highlight.

# Shannon Davids

Good Hope Seminary High School

Grade: 10

Age: 15

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## **Hobbies:**

Singing, dancing and reading

## **Favourite Subjects:**

Afrikaans, Biology and History

## **Why did you join the workshops and this project?**

I joined the workshops because I love taking on new adventures and I thought this was an ideal adventure.

## **Experiences during the workshops:**

I had a wonderful experience; it was absolutely great meeting new people. I loved every minute of it..