

MAHATMA GANDHI
NELSON MANDELA
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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
PIETERMARITZBURG, SA
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6-9 JUNE 2023



OFFICIAL PROGRAMME



HUMANITIES INSTITUTE – UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU NATAL
The Humanities Institute, University of KwaZulu-Natal, was established in mid-2019, to catalyze, grow and support, the research mentoring and support, as well as research outputs of the College of Humanities from within its Afrikology baseline systems of values.
The VISION is to be an advanced catalytic research Humanities Institute that is recognised for its digitally- informed contextually-relevant socially transformative and innovative knowledge production impacts aimed at solution-driven Africa-focused engagements of inequalities and

problematizing research.

The institute has the following three-pronged PURPOSE that builds on solid graduate foundations:

- The enhancement and advancement of cutting-edge knowledge production;
- Knowledge transformation through signature projects; and
- contextually-relevant transformative Humanities and Social Sciences research capacity development.

The GMK2023 international conference will deepen, widen and network the research purpose, connecting with critical and constructive academic and activist intellectual conceptualisations from empirical and related data, articulated with the thought, values and practices of Gandhi, Mandela and King. Participants come from India, Australasia, the USA, the United Kingdom, and Europe.

The Institute operates on the University of KwaZulu-Natal campuses of Howard College, Durban, Edgewood in Pinetown, and Pietermaritzburg.

The current Humanities Institute Director is Prof JA Smit, professor of Religion and Social Transformation, in the College of Humanities, UKZN.



The Pietermaritzburg Gandhi Foundation, formerly the Pietermaritzburg Gandhi Memorial Committee, was formed in 1989 on the initiative of the late Mr Dasarath Bundhoo and Dr Chota Motala to prepare for the commemoration of the centenary of the 7th June 1893 incident when the young lawyer Mohandas K. Gandhi was thrown off the train at Pietermaritzburg Railway Station. This incident started his "active non-violence".
After several meetings the PGF resolved to erect a bronze statue as a perpetual record of the incident that occurred on 7th June 1893, which was unveiled on 6th June 1993 by Archbishop Desmond Tutu in the presence of Nelson Mandela, Dr Karan Singh, representing the Government of India, Pat Cornell the Mayor of Pietermaritzburg, and various other dignitaries, in the city centre, opposite the Colonial Building, the seat of the government of Natal, in close proximity to the Pietermaritzburg City Hall.
The PGF has the following aims and objectives:
• To promote the values and ideology of Mahatma Gandhi, in

particular, truth, peace and non-violence.

- To take the message of peace, goodwill and hope to young people in schools, youth committees and higher education institutions.
- To organize regular commemorative events to mark the historical events and dates in Gandhi's life.
- To facilitate the preservation of the historical Gandhi sites in the city.

The PGF currently hosts the following events annually: the 7th June commemoration event, the Gandhi Mandela Youth Symposium, the Gandhi Memorial Lecture and the Gandhi Peace Walk on the Sunday immediately following the 2nd October, the birth anniversary of the Mahatma.

The erection of the following structures were facilitated by the foundation at the railway station: a plinth to mark the spot where Gandhi was evicted; a permanent Gandhi Exhibition in the waiting room where Gandhi spent the night of 7 th June 1893; and a double sided bust of Gandhi in the foyer of the station.

One of the projects implemented on the ground by the PGF is the food garden project, in response to the need for food security, viz. by initiating a food garden project at local primary schools. The PGF supports food gardens in eight local primary schools, with seeds, fertilizer, implements and training. The produce is used in the school food programme, and children are encouraged to use the skills learnt to establish their own gardens at their homes. The foundation continues to strive towards implementing its aims and objectives.

PROGRAMME

6th-9th June 2023

6th JUNE 2023: YOUTH SYMPOSIUM - HEXAGON THEATRE

Time: 9:00-17:00

6th JUNE 2023: DOCUMENTARY PRESENTATION & CULTURAL PROGRAMME - HEXAGON THEATRE

Time: 18:00-17:00

7th JUNE 2023: 130th YEAR COMMEMORATION – PIETERMARITZBURG RAILWAY STATION

Time: 10:00-12:00

GALA DINNER AND OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE GMK 2023 CONFERENCE

7th JUNE COMMEMORATION – PIETERMARITZBURG RAILWAY STATION

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: MRS SHANTA MAHARAJ

GALA DINNER AND OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE GMK 2023 CONFERENCE

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: MR DAVID GENGAN

PROGRAMME

**6th JUNE 2023 YOUTH SYMPOSIUM, HEXAGON THEATRE, NEW ARTS BLOCK
GOLF ROAD, SCOTTSVILLE, PIETERMARITZBURG
PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Mr Denzil Chetty (Unisa)**

08:00 - 09:00	REGISTRATION	
09:00 - 09:05	Welcome (Hexagon Theatre)	Facilitator: Mr Denzil Chetty
09:05 - 09:10	Official Opening (Hexagon Theatre)	Mrs Shanta Maharaj (PGF)

OPENING KEYNOTE PLENARY ADDRESSES 1 & 2 (Hexagon Theatre)

09.10 – 10.00	Topic: Live Together or Perish Together in an Uncertain World: Do Gandhi, Mandela, and Dr. King's Legacy of Hope Speak to Us Today? (Hexagon Theatre)	Facilitator: Mr Denzil Chetty Presenter: Dr. Barwende Sane (San Francisco)
10.00 – 10.30	Topic: Gandhi the Inspiration (Hexagon Theatre)	Facilitator: Dr. Sriram Sonty Presenter: Manikantha Gollamudi
10:30 – 11:00	TEA	

PARALLEL ROUNDTABLES: SESSION 01

11:00 – 12:00	Roundtable 1: Role of Youth in Peace Building, and Conflict Resolution (Studio Theatre)	Chairperson: Dr Sriram Sonty
10.00 – 10.30	Topic: Gandhi the Inspiration (Hexagon Theatre)	Facilitator: Dr. Sriram Sonty Presenter: Manikantha Gollamudi's
	Topic: 'My Life is my Message': How Gandhi Changed India and the World (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Nandini Kandamuri
	Youth & Health Topic: "Health is Real Wealth and not Pieces of Gold and Silver - Good Health vs Material Wealth (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Nishika Dubey
	Topic: Protecting Women's Rights to Promote Peace and Nonviolence (20 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Ruchika Villivalam
11:00 – 12:00	Roundtable 2: Decoding Peace in your own life and lifestyle What does this mean to you? (Theatre Arts Room)	Chairperson: Mrs Belinda Crawford (Ujamaa)
	Topic: Decoding Peace in your Own Life and Lifestyle – What does this mean to you? (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Hasil Gora Gollanpalli
	Topic: Change Yourself, Change the World	Presenter: Nimo Patel
	Topic: Power, a Premise in Promotion of Peace and Nonviolence (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Dr Atri Saha

PARALLEL ROUNDTABLES: SESSION 02

12.00 – 13.00	Roundtable 3: Peace and justice Education (Studio Theatre)	Chairperson: Prof Ruth Hoskins Dean of T&L, UKZN)
	Topic: Addressing Education Inequality (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Lwazi Mbuko
	Topic: Education - An Enabler to a Better Career or a Better Human Being? (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Bhavya Mukkamala
	Topic: Education in the Eyes of Mahatma Gandhi and the Influence of Conformity on Education (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Kaushik Gollamudi
12:00 – 13:00	Roundtable 4: Promoting Peaceful and Nonviolent Protest Action by Youth – Becoming Peace Ambassadors (Theatre Arts)	Chairperson: Prof Prasad Gollanpalli (Hyderabad)
	Topic: Nonviolence and Peace: The Way to Fight the Status Quo. An Analysis of the Methods of Mandela, Gandhi, and King (20 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Vimal Soni
	Topic: Moving the Levers of Power (20 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Fatima RJA Chaudhary
	Topic: The 2010 Kashmiri Uprising: An Analysis through the Lens of Martin Luther King, Nelson Mandela, and Gandhi's Ideas of Civil Society (20 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Mr Denzil Chetty
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH	

PARALLEL ROUNDTABLES: SESSION 03

14.00 – 15.00	Roundtable 5: Understanding Climate change, non-racialism, and the struggle for justice. (Theatre Arts)	Chairperson: Rev Sithembiso Zwane
	Topic: Panel: Teach a Black Child – A Youth Reflection (45 minutes)	Presenter: Ms Noluthando Gasa will lead the panel discussion with 3 more members of the “Teach a Black Child” organization.
	Topic: Relevance of Gandhian Principles in Economic Development (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Prof. Dr. Dinesh Chahal
14.00 – 15.00	Roundtable 6: Understanding Culture, Patriarchy and Gender Equity (Theatre Arts) (15 minutes + discussion)	Chairperson: Dr Elizabeth Williams (University of Edinburgh)
	Topic: Climate change (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Ritwik Cheykicharla
	Topic: Self-Transformation through Intergenerational, Interracial Work for Justice (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Jayda Gray
	Topic: The Role of Creativity in the Struggle for Justice (15 minutes + discussion)	Presenter: Ursa Kaiser
15:00 – 15:30	TEA	

CLOSING KEYNOTE PLENARY ADDRESS (Hexagon Theatre)

15.30 – 16.10	Topic: Peace and Non-violence in the 21st Century	Facilitator: Mr David Gengan Presenter: Keshav Gupta
16.10 – 17.00	Report back from Roundtables, and Resolutions	Chairperson: Prof JA Smit, Keshav Gupta in consultation with Dr S. Sonty
17.00	Closure	Mr Denzil Chetty

6th June Documentary Presentation

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Prof Clayborne Carson

17:30	Arrival of guests - Refreshments
18:00	Welcome and Commencement of programme - Prof Carson
18:05	Documentary Presentation 1:
	- Song: Freedom Now
	- Have You Heard From Johannesburg – Road to Resistance (1 – 7)
	- Song: Asimbonanga
	- I Am MLK Jr
	- Love And Solidarity
19: 05	Vallabhi Chellam – Traditional Dance: Bharatanatyam
19:15	Documentary Presentation 2:
	- Gandhi's Awakening
	- When I Get Grown – Reflections of a Freedom Rider
	- Something to Offer – Coretta Scott King
20:15	Nimo Patel – Song/Video presentation
20:35	CLOSURE

7th June Commemoration – Pietermaritzburg Railway Station

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Mrs Shanta Maharaj

10:00	Movie clip of Gandhi's eviction
10:10	Re-enactment of the incident
10:20	Welcome: Mr Kevin Beekram – Executive PGF
10:25	Prayer: Mrs Nishi Bundhoo – Secretary PGF
10:30	Indian Navy Band – Anthems, Lead Kindly Light
10:35	Address: Deputy High Commissioner of India, H.E. Mrs Banu Prakash
10:45	Address: Joint Secretary of External Affairs, Ambassador Mr Puneet Kundal
10:50	Cultural item: Aradhana Dance Academy
10:55	Story of 7th June 1893: Mr David Gengan – Chairperson PGF
11:10	Address : Dr Sriram Sonty, Chicago Gandhi Foundation
11:15	Cultural Item: Prof Chats Devroop
11:20	Keynote Address: Prof Rev Allan Boesak: Turning evictions TO Benedictions - Did Gandhi Know?
11:50	Floral tribute at the Plinth: Mayor of Msunduzi, Dr Ela Gandhi, H.E. Mrs Banu Prakash, Ambassador Puneet Kundal, Mr Prem Sagar Kesarapu, Captian Capil Kaushik, Prof Allan Boesak, Prof Clayborne Carson, Prof Persad Gollanpalli, Dr Sonty, Dr Verne Harris, Prof Smit, Mr David Gengan. Accompanied by the Indian Navy Band playing Vaishnav Jan To
12:05	Vote of Thanks and Closure: Bunny Bhoola – Deputy Chairperson PGF
12:10	LUNCH

Gala Dinner and Official Opening of the GMK 2023 Conference

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Mr David Gengan

17:30	Arrival of Guests
18:30	Commencement: Welcome by the Mayor of Msunduzi, Cllr Mziimkulu Thebolla
18:35	Address by the Premier of KwaZulu Natal, Her Excellency Mrs Nomusa Dube-Ncube
18:40	Address by the DVC UKZN
18:45	Address: Dr Bindeshwar Pathak, Sulabh International, Delhi
18:50	STARTER
19:05	Cultural Item: Vallabhi Chellam, Chennai – Traditional Dance: Bharatanatyam
19:10	Address: Deputy High Commissioner of India, H.E. Mrs Banu Prakash
19:15	Address: Joint Secretary External Affairs, Delhi, Ambassador Puneet Kundal Official handover of Gandhi books to the Mayor of Msunduzi
19:30	Lighting of Peace Candle: Representatives of Gandhi Mandela King families
19:45	Official Opening of the Conference: Dr Ela Gandhi, Gandhi Development Trust
19:55	Cultural Item: Prof Chats Devroop
20:00	Keynote Address: Prof Clayborne Carson, Emeritus Professor of History Stanford University, California
20:30	Vote of Thanks: Prof J.A. Smit, UKZN
20:35	DINNER
21:10	CLOSURE

Gandhi, Mandela, King International Conference, 08-09 June 2023

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Prof J.A. (Jannie) Smit

Thursday 08 JUNE 2023, 08:00-17:00, New Arts Block, UKZN

08.00 - 08.45	Registration	
08.45 – 09.00	Welcome: Prof Ruth Hoskins (Dean Teaching & Learning, UKZN) Welcome: David Gengan (Pietermaritzburg Gandhi Foundation) Hexagon Theatre	
09.00 – 09.10	Dr Bindeshwar Pathak (Sulabh International – Social Service Organisation, Delhi)	
09.10 – 10.00	Plenary 1: Prof Dr Judith Brown (Oxford University) Gandhi: A Global Icon for the 21st Century?	Facilitator: Prof Martin Prozesky
10.00 - 10.30	Tea	

10.30 – 12.00	Roundtables Session 1 (6 X Parallel Roundtables)
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<p>Roundtable 01</p> <p><i>GMK, their Vision/s for the World, and Communication Technologies/eMedia in the 21st Century (Studio Theatre)</i></p> <p>Facilitators: Prof Tennyson Mgutshini & Mr Denzil Chetty</p> <p>VENUE: Studio Theatre Room</p>	<p>Roundtable 02</p> <p><i>GMK, and Sustainable Self-rule Governance and Development (Theatre Arts Room)</i></p> <p>Facilitators: Prof Herbert Moyo & Postdoctoral Fellow</p> <p>VENUE: Theatre Arts Room</p>	<p>Roundtable 03</p> <p><i>GMK, Women, Health, and Equity in Governance and Economic Education (NAB)</i></p> <p>Facilitators: Prof Lilian Siwila & Rev Sithembiso Zwane</p> <p>VENUE: Room 217</p>
<p>PANEL</p> <p>Hon Dr Ela Gandhi (Gandhi Development Trust) The Indian Opinion: The Power of the Alternative Press (90 minutes)</p> <p>* Alf Karrim - Community Media and its Impact on Raising Community Consciousness: Focusing on Present day Needs</p> <p>* Ryland Fisher - The Power of the Alternate Media.</p> <p>* Ms Thandeka Mbeki: The Contemporary Situation and the Importance of Ethics, Morality and Responsibility of Journalism Today.</p> <p>* Mr Jeremy Cronin: Historic Background on How the South African Struggle was Assisted by Alternate Media.</p> <p>* Mr Alagan Annamalai: Gandhiji's Use of the Media to Promote Satyagraha.</p> <p>* Robin Sewlal: "Power to the People: The <i>tour de force</i> of Community Radio in the Centennial Year of the Medium in South Africa"</p> <p>* Way Forward for Alternate Media at the Present Time</p>	<p>PANEL</p> <p>Prof Matshepo Matoane, with Dr Sibonsile Zibane, Dr Nontobeko Buthelezi, and Dr Samuel Umoh (School of Applied Human Sciences) Gender/ Women, Culture, Health and Governance in Africa (60 Minutes)</p> <p>Prof. Dr. Vilas Sapkal Vice-Chancellor MGM University, India Is Swadesh a Thermodynamic Concept? (15 minutes)</p> <p>Prof Kalpana Hiralal (UKZN History) Is Gandhi Relevant in the 21st Century? (15 minutes)</p>	<p>PANEL</p> <p>Belinda Crawford (UKZN Ujamaa) Navigating Contested Social Identities: Theological reflections on race and inclusion in the post-era of Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Dr. Zama Dlamini (UKZN) Towards Achieving Gender Justice: Engaging Gandhi and Mandela's Leadership Principles for a Nonviolent World (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Prof Ezra Chitando (Univ. of Zimbabwe) The Game Changers: Religious African Women and Multiple Pandemics in Africa</p>

<p>Roundtable 04</p> <p><i>GMK, Human Rights, and Non-racial Global Peace and Justice through Nonviolent Action</i></p> <p>Facilitators: Prof Beatrice Okyere-Manu & Mr Che Chetty</p> <p>VENUE: Room 216</p>	<p>Roundtable 05</p> <p><i>GMK, and How to Understand and Intervene in World and Regional Conflicts, through Nonviolence</i></p> <p>Facilitators: Prof Vaughn John & Ms Thandi Gumbi</p> <p>VENUE: Room 215</p>	<p>Roundtable 06</p> <p><i>Learning and Teaching about Gandhi, Mandela and King</i></p> <p>Facilitators: Prof Ruth Hoskins, Dr. Sharmila Rama and Feruzi Mgwamba</p> <p>VENUE: Room 211</p>
<p>PANEL</p> <p>Dr. D. John Chelladurai (Dean MGM University) Sarvodaya: An Idea of Harmonizing Individual, Society and Ecosystem (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Prof FG Settler (UKZN) Keeping the Faith in Fanon and Contending with Legacies of Martin Luther King Jr: Questions of Race, Religion and Reconciliation in SA Faith Communities (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Christian Bartolf (Berlin University) Gandhi, Kallenbach and Tolstoy (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Dr. Ramesh Babu Para Nehru (Memorial Museum and Library New Delhi, India) (Recording)</p> <p>Access to Urban Housing and Migration: Social Efficacy Policy of Navaratnalu (15 minutes + discussion)</p>	<p>PANEL</p> <p>Prof Lez Henry (Univ of West-London) In Memory of Madiba: Nelson Mandela as a Reggaemataical Cultural Icon (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Prof D. Jeevan Kumar (Karnataka State Rural Development University) The Human Security Paradigm of Peace-Building (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Prof Emeritus S.S. Rama Rao Pappu (Miami University) (Recording) Small Events, Big Impact: Lessons from Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, and Selma, Alabama (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Mohamed M. Keshavjee (Barrister at Law from Gray's Inn London) (Recording)</p> <p>Gandhi, King, Mandela - Precursors of Transformative Mediation, the Next Stage of Conflict Resolution (15 minutes + discussion)</p>	<p>PANEL</p> <p>Dr Ruth T. Nyamadzawo and Prof Geoff Harris (International Centre of Non-violence, DUT) Using Action Research to develop an innovative program to involve children in changing attitudes to xenophobia (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Dr Shobhana Radhakrishna (Gandhi's Sevagram Ashram in Maharashtra) Mahatma Gandhi's spiritual humanism and ethical leadership (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Prof Anica Dubey (USA) Women's Health and Equity in Governance and Economic Education (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Arvind Vora (Chair of Long Island Multi Faith Forum, USA) Legal Profession & Gandhi (15 minutes + discussion)</p>

REPORT BACK FROM ROUNDTABLES (Hexagon Theatre)

12.00 – 13.00	Plenary 2: Dr Elizabeth Williams (University of Edinburgh), Gandhi, King, Mandela: Legacies and African Women of the 21st Century Hexagon Theatre	Facilitator: Prof Herbert Moyo (UKZN)
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	

14.00 – 15.30	Roundtables Session 2 (6 X Parallel Roundtables)
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Robert Haswell (Former Msunduzi Mayor) Gandhi's Seminal and Profound Influence on Mandela (15 minutes + discussion) Prof. Alain Tschudin (Director International Centre of Nonviolence, DUT) GMK - A Missing Link? L for Luthuli (15 minutes + discussion) Mbali Sexwale (Leader of SGI Buddhist Organisation, SA) Reclaiming the Fullness of our Humanity in a Digital Age (15 minutes + discussion) Dr Thelela Ngcetane-Vika & Jesse Jackson Jr (UKZN & USA) Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King Jr. and Nelson Mandela: Towards a Future of Non-Violent Engagement in the 21st Century (15 minutes + discussion) Prof Jonathan Greenberg (University of San Francisco Institute for Nonviolence and Social Justice) (Recording) Against Religious Nationalism: Gandhi and King as Leaders of Interfaith Solidarity (15 minutes + discussion)	Prof Jayanathan Govender (UKZN) <i>Swaraj</i> , Doctrine of Discovery and Democracy: Indigenous peoples' self-governance in South Africa (15 minutes + discussion) Dr. G.N. Subba Rao (Univ. of Hyderabad) Gandhian Empowerment and Dalit Rural Youth: A Case of Fee Reimbursement, Youth Employment and Job Creation Scheme of Navaratnalu in Andhra Pradesh (15 minutes + discussion) Uma Dhupelia-Mesthrie <i>Sarvodaya</i> and Co-operative Living: The Ideals of Phoenix Settlement and the Lived Experience (15 minutes + discussion) Rev Sithembiso Zwane (UKZN Ujamaa) Reality, Faith and Action: Migration through the lens of Gandhi, King and Mandela's Principles of Self-governance, Theology and Development. (15 minutes + discussion)	Mr. Oomang Parag (Public Service Co-ordinating Bargaining Council (PSCBC) SA) Using Social media to Prevent Gender-based Violence (15 minutes + discussion) Kumu Gupta (World Peace Prize nominee, USA) Violence Against Women and Global Peace, Not possible one without the other (15 minutes + discussion) Ila Vora (Long Island Multi Faith Forum, USA) Jainism and Gandhi (15 minutes + discussion) Dr. Fr. Busangokwakhe Dlamini (Catholic Church, SA) Peace and Justice through Nonviolent Action (15 minutes + discussion)

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

Martin Luther King Jr

"The greatness of humanity is not in being human, but in being humane.."

Mahatma Gandhi

"It is in your hands, to make a better world for all who live in it."

Nelson Mandela

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<p>Prof Priya Narismulu (UKZN) Decolonial agency that can regenerate ecosystems and transform societies (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Habila Kohon (SRPC Doctoral Student) The role of Nigerian Christian leaders in mitigating conflict between Christian farmers and Fulani Muslim herders in the context of climate change (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Nhlanhla Landa & Sindiso Zhou (University of Fort Hare, SA) Linguistic Justice in Democratic South Africa's Higher Education Space: Mandela's Vision and Legacy (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Mr Alagan Annamalai (Director of Gandhi Museum in Delhi) Gandhi the Lawyer (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Dr Vuyani Boo (Nelson Mandela Museum, Mthatha) Nelson Mandela's Values, Philosophy and Legacy: How to Rekindle the Vision for Peace, Justice and Reconciliation (15 minutes + discussion)</p>	<p>Anand Sreekumar (Politics and International Relations, Univ. of Adelaide, Aus) The Spinning Wheel vs the Bomb: Mapping the Contours of a Practical Ahimsa Nuclear Ethic (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Melanie P. Kumar (International Independent Journalist) Peace Journalism for Conflict Resolution and Peace-Building (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Prof Vaughn John (SoE, UKZN) Mobilizing from Below for Nonviolent Change - The Alternatives to Violence Project (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Nicole Simpson (Author and Life Coach) Peace and Conflict Transformation Studies: A Life Coach Perspective (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Dr Jacob S. Dorman (Nevada Univ.) Indian Spirituality and Nonviolence in the African American Imagination (15 minutes + discussion)</p>	<p>Prof Mohd Ashaq Malik (PG College, Rajouri, India) Gandhi, Mandela, King and Peace Education (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Mike Selvy (Cranbrook Public Library) Library Apartheid: Comparision of South Africa's and the United States denial of library services based on race (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Dr. Sarada Purna Sonty (USA) The Story of the "Satyam-Shanthi-Shivam" Life of Gandhi (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Marybeth Zuhlke (Peace Learning Circles Program, Wisconsin, USA) (Recording) Teaching servant leadership. 1. Peace Breath; 2. Message; 3. Rephrase; 4. Peace Apology; and 5. Ready, Set, Go. (incl. Gandhi, Mother Teresa, Caesar Chavez, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Mahatma) (15 minutes + discussion)</p> <p>Dr. Mike Frontier (Circles of Peace, Wisconsin, USA) (Recording) Moving from Me to We: Using Cooperative Learning Methods to Teach Critical Social Skills (15 minutes + discussion)</p>

15.30	Tea	
16.00 – 17.00	Plenary 3: Dr Johnny Mack (Stanford) A Revolution of Values: The Urgency of Now Hexagon Theatre	Facilitator: Mr David Gengan

EVENING PROGRAMME – MEET THE GANDHI MANDELA KING FAMILIES

Programme Director: Mr Yunus Carrim

18:00	Finger dinner
18:45	Commencement: Mr Yunus Carrim
18:50	Engagement with representatives of the GMK Families
19:50	GMK Drama Presentation – UKZN School of Arts
20:30	Musical Item: Prof Chats Devroop
20:35	GMK Dance Production – Lageshrie Dance Academy
20:55	Musical Item: Nimesh Patel
21:05	Closure

"Be the change that you wish to see in the world."

Mahatma Gandhi

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

Nelson Mandela

Gandhi, Mandela, King International Conference, 08-09 June 2023

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: Prof JA (Jannie) Smit

Friday 09 JUNE 2023, 08:00-17:00, New Arts Block, UKZN

08.00 – 08.30	Registration	
08.30 – 09.15	Plenary 4: Professor Dr. Verne Harris (NMF) Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela: The Man and the Myth Hexagon Theatre	Chair: Mrs Razia Saleh
09.15 – 10.00	Presentation: Jonathan Kuttub Palestinian/ Israeli Conflict: Apartheid and the One State Solution Hexagon Theatre	Chair: Mr David Gengan
10.00 – 10.30	Tea	
10.30 – 11.00	Panel 1: Gandhiji's Inter-Faith Message and Multi-Faith Relationship Hexagon Theatre	Chair: Homi D. Gandhi
11.00 – 11.30	Panel 2: Current Gandhi Missions in Different Parts of the World and Local Communities Hexagon Theatre	Chair: Dr Sriram Sonty
11.30 – 12.15	PANEL: A Revolution of Values: The Urgency of Now! Film: The Third Harmony: Nonviolence and the New Story of Human Nature Hexagon Theatre	Chair: Koogan Pillay
12.15 – 13.00	Panel discussion of the Film, A Revolution of Values Hexagon Theatre	Chair: Koogan Pillay
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	
14.00 – 15.00	Plenary 5: Prof Dr Allan Boesak, Marching with the Shirtless and the Barefoot - Justice, Peace, and the Call for Revolutionary Reciprocity Hexagon Theatre	Chair: Mr Yunus Carrim
15.00 – 16.00	Roundtable Reports and Conference Resolution Hexagon Theatre	Facilitators: Prof Nobuhle Ndimande- Hlongwa, Prof Johnny Mack, Prof Jannie Smit and Mr David Gengan
16.00 – 17.00	Closure and Tea	

"No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite."

Nelson Mandela

"I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear."

Martin Luther King Jr

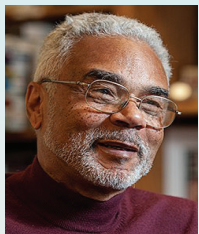
"The day the power of love overrules the love of power, the world will know peace."

Mahatma Gandhi

Conference Presidents



Hon. Dr. Ela Gandhi (born 1 July 1940), is a South African peace activist and former politician, and served as a Member of Parliament in South Africa from 1994 to 2004, under the first President Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, the first democratically elected president of South Africa. She aligned with the ANC and represented Phoenix of Inanda in KZN, also serving on the Welfare, and Public Enterprises committees, amongst others. She has B.A. degree from the former Natal University and a B.A. in Social Science with honors from UNISA. She was a social worker with the Verulam Child and Family Welfare Society for 15 years and the Durban Indian Child and Family Welfare Society for 5 years. Dr Gandhi is the founder, and current Chairperson, of the Gandhi Development Trust, and the Phoenix Settlement Trust.



Prof. Dr. Clayborne Carson is Emeritus Professor of History at Stanford University, USA, and was director of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Research and Education Institute. He has also directed the editing and publication of the Martin Luther King Jr. Papers, having joined the Civil Rights Movement leaders at a young age. He has a BA (1967) and MA (1971) in History from UCLA, and completed his PhD on Stokely Carmichael and the SNCC, in which he also participated in the 28 August 1963 march. He was a staunch participant in the Anti-Vietnam War movement, with one of his seminal research focuses, also being the importance of grassroots political action within the African-American freedom struggle.



Prof. & Hon. Dr Verne Harris is Acting Chief Executive of the Nelson Mandela Foundation. He was Mandela's archivist from 2004 to 2013, directed the Foundation's archives programme for 15 years and the dialogue and advocacy programme for 5 years. He is an adjunct professor at the Nelson Mandela University. Prof Harris participated in a range of structures which transformed South Africa's apartheid archival landscape, including the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and is a former Deputy Director of the National Archives. He has authored or co-authored six books.

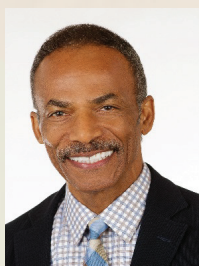
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Prof. Dr. Judith Margaret Brown is a retired academic from the UK. Born in India but educated in England, she taught in Cambridge, Manchester and Oxford. Her last post was as Beit Professor of Imperial and Global History in Oxford from 1990 to 2011. She is an Emeritus Professorial Fellow of Balliol College. Her academic links with South Africa go back to 1993. She has written widely on India in the 19th and 20th centuries, and on the South Asian diaspora. She has been a governor of a number of Universities in the UK and was a founder member of the Scholars' Council at the Library of Congress, Washington DC. She is also a Priest in the Church of England.



Dr. Elizabeth M. Williams is a historian and academic librarian and Heads up a team of Academic Support Librarians covering the 3 Colleges of the University of Edinburgh; the College of Science and Engineering, the College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, the College of Arts Humanities and the Social Sciences. These Colleges incorporate 20-plus Schools and there are a growing number of research centres and institutes. Williams specialises in Modern British history and its relationship with Africa, the Caribbean and the African Diaspora including Black Britain.



Dr. Johnny J. Mack is the Associate Director of the World House Project at the Centre on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, housed in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University. He has extensive experience in social change, community development, and international relations. His professional background includes serving as the director of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Centre for Nonviolent Social Change, president of Nelson Mandela Family Foundation, and the Drum Major Institute president.



Rev. Dr. Allan Aubrey Boesak is a South African Black liberation theologian and global human rights activist. In his more than fifty years in Ministry, Dr. Boesak served the church in various ecumenical positions, including as Moderator of his church, Senior Vice President of the S.A. Council of Churches, and President of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, WARC (now World Communion of Reformed Churches). Under his leadership the WARC declared apartheid a sin and a heresy and suspended the two white Dutch Reformed churches in South Africa for their moral and theological justification of the apartheid system. In 1983, Dr. Boesak called for the formation of the United Democratic Front, which became the largest non-racial, non-violent political formation in the history of the country, mobilising millions of people in South Africa and abroad for the final onslaught on the apartheid system. Currently he is Professor of Black liberation theology and ethics at the University of Pretoria.

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Martin Luther King Jr

"You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is like an ocean; if a few drops of the ocean are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty."

Mahatma Gandhi

"For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others."

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