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**Press Release  
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**SALA AWARDS 2023 EDITION CELEBRATES 18 YEARS OF ADVANCING OUR LITERARY HERITAGE, NAMING THIRTY-FOUR WINNING AUTHORS**

SALA honoured the following 34 South Africa's authors - i.e. 25 winners and 9 runners-up - at the 18<sup>th</sup> South African Literary Awards on the 32<sup>nd</sup> International African Writers' Day, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023, Snowflake Venue, Potchefstroom, JB Marks Local Municipality, North West Province.

**CHILDREN'S LITERATURE AWARD**

1. Claudette Browne Storrar - Nelly and Sam Thwala
2. Molebatsi Bosilong- Montsane le Motho
3. Mr Philip de Vos – Tokkelossiebossie en ander dol gedoentes
4. Sinathi Mpukwana –Unakho

**YOUTH LITERATURE AWARD**

1. Onke Mazibuko- The Second Verse
2. Mihlali Blackie -Ukuzazi Ukuzithemba Nokuzamkela
3. KOBATE JOHN SEKELE- MAKGOMA A DIHLONG
4. Annelie Ferreira- Dit het alles begin met 'n hond

**FIRST TIME PULISHED AUTHOR AWARD**

1. Shevlyn Mottai - Across the Kala Pani
2. NTLORO CHARLOTTE PEBANE - LERATO LA LEPHEKO
3. Ayanda Chris Mntwapi - BOHLULWE KUKUSA

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## **K. SELLO DUIKER MEMMORIAL LITERARY AWARD**

1. Dimakatso David Mokwena - Here Comes the Gay King

## **POETRY AWARD**

1. Michèle Betty - Dark Horse
2. Anelisa Thengimfene - Amajingiqhiw' entlalo
3. Kaka Mokakale - Tswina ya poko

## **NADINE GORDIMER SHORT STORY AWARD**

1. Terry-Ann Adams - White Chalk

## **CREATIVE NON-FICTION LITERARY AWARD**

1. Mandla J. Radebe - The Lost Prince of the ANC: The Life and Times of Jabulani Nobleman 'Mzala' Nxumalo
2. Sipiwo Mahala - Can Themba: The Making and Breaking of the Intellectual Tsotsi, a Biography

## **NOVEL AWARD**

1. Thivhusiwi Tshindane Tshivhula - Hone Hu Tshi Tea U Maliwa Nga vhugai
2. KOBATE JOHN SEKELE- RE HWILE LA PITSANA
3. Sue Nyathi - An Angel's Demise

## **POSTHUOUS LITERARY AWARD**

1. SEETSELE MODIRI MOLEMA - Solomon Tshekisho Plaatje - Morata Baabo

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## **CHAIRPERSON'S LITERARY AWARD**

1. Elinor Sisulu – Body of Work

## **LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT LITERARY AWARD**

1. Pitika Ntuli – Body of Work
2. Diana Ferrus – Body of Work

### **The Winners List is attached.**

Preceding the SALA Awards ceremony was the **11<sup>th</sup> Africa Century International African Writers Conference (ACIAWC)**, under the theme: **Decolonisation and Decoloniality: African Literary Return To The Source**

**Mr Ibrahima Aya**, Timbuktu-born Malian author, editor, agronomist, co-founder and director of the four-day literary festival **Rentree Litteraire du Mali**, delivered the 11<sup>th</sup> International African Writers Day Lecture. The respondents were;

- **Prof Puleng Segalo**, Professor of Psychology and Chief Albert Luthuli Chair from UNISA. Her presentation was titled; ***Reweaving our fragmented selves: towards decolonial love.***
- **Dr Aloysius Conduah**, Senior Lecturer, Department of English Studies at Unisa. His presentation was titled; ***Decolonisation and Decoloniality: Revisiting the Use of Language in African Literary Work.***
- **Prof Grace Khunou**, Acting Director, Department of Leadership and Transformation, UNISA and her response was titled; ***A reflection on the creation of credible knowers and knowledges in African Literature.***
- **Dr Monica Thuli Bhuda**, Senior Lecturer in Indigenous Knowledge Systems, from the University of Mpumalanga. Her response was titled: ***What is a decolonised Higher education? perspectives from Indigenous Knowledge Systems.***

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- **Mr Kyle Seakhoa**, Assistant Lecturer at the University of the Western Cape. His presentation was titled; ***Conceptual decolonization and African literature.***
- **Mr Radinaledi Patrick Mosiane**, a senior public servant and development practitioner with the government of the Republic of South Africa. His response was titled: **Decoloniality in African Literature within a Colonialism of a Special Type (CST) discourse: A critique of the Source.**
- **Commander Tsietsi Mokhele**, Chairperson of Maritime Heritage Institute and founding Director and Chairman of Elekhom Global and Vaal Riverway Development Agency. His response was titled; **Our maritime and maritime heritage: a source, resource and platform for Africa's advances and development in African literary and other spheres.**

Going forward, we are delighted to announce that the South African Literary Awards' **Call for Submissions 2024** will be announced on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023, thereby giving all the writers, their peers, publishers, nominators and all ample time to submit their work for adjudication.

For more information please visit [www.sala.org.za](http://www.sala.org.za) and [www.africacenturyconference.co.za](http://www.africacenturyconference.co.za)

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