# Tourism break

# MPTA Briefs & Updates



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#### INAUGURAL DCO MATIWANE MEMORIAL

DCO Matiwane, as he was popularly known, was famous for his one-man protests in Pietermaritzburg at the time when the apartheid regime intensified its repressive laws, jailing many leaders and banning liberation organisation

He endured harassment and was jailed several times by police for his activism. In 1980, Matiwane carried placards and distributed pamphlets, with the message: Remember the Children - to mark the fourth anniversary of the 1976 Soweto Uprisings.



"He brought back the courage to resist, he brought back the hope that this struggle will triumph, he brought back the feeling that you do not have to allow it."

Dr Zweli Mkhize



DCO MATIWANE life without books is death "Vita sine libris mors est"

Dr Zweli Mkhize

On Wednesday,19 August 2015 African National Congress (ANC) Treasurer General Zweli Mkhize delivered the inaugural David Cecil Oxford Matiwane Memorial Lecture at the Umsunduzi Voortrekker Museum in Pietermaritzburg.

DCO Matiwane is one of the icons contained in the Edendale & Imbali Heritage and KZN Freedom Routes. Narratives of his struggle contributions are found at the DCO Matiwane Memorial Park, in Willowfontein. This contributes to the character of Pietermaritzburg as heritage city.

The KZN Freedom Route was launched by then MEC of Arts & Tourism, Mrs Weziwe Thusi in 2002

#### TOURISM SPEED MARKETING TOOK PLACE AT LYTHWOOD LODGE ON 19 AUGUST 2015 HSTED BY SA TOURISM AND SOUTH AFRICAN TOURISM SERVICES ASSOCIATION (SATSA)



Phumlani Gumede- Acting Tourism Manager-, Msunduzi Tourism, Jenny Mewett-SATTSA COO, Noluthando Mazibuko – SA Tourism Marketing Assistant & Dumisani Mhlongo-Director – Msunduzi Pietermaritzburg Tourism during Speed Marketing Delegates site visits at Old Prison





KZN National Botanical Gardens visited local community parks (Inkosi Mhlolo Community Park at Nadi and Peace Monument at Imbali). The aim of visit was to identify needs and support needed.

## **EVENTS / ACTIVITIES**

Pmb-Underberg-Lesotho



#### 11-13 SEPTEMBER 2015 033 3451348/9



Indondo Awards 29 Aug 2015 Imperial Hotel 073 847 3601



Wildfees 29 Aug 2015 Voortrekker High School 082 874 0877

Mandela Day Marathon 30 Aug 2015 Imbali-Capture Site 033 897 6700

Hilton Arts Festival 17 - 20 Sept2015, Five Concerts - The Chapel at Hilton College www.hiltonfestival.co.z

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