



WORKSHOP INVITATION

White Paper on Arts, Culture and Heritage

As part of its review of the White Paper on Arts, Culture and Heritage, the Department of Arts and Culture (DAC) is inviting arts practitioners and interested parties to participate in public consultations.

These consultations are intended to initiate discussion on necessary realignments of the institutions, processes and business models of the Department and the Arts, Culture and Heritage (ach) sector with the National Development Plan (NDP) and the strategic imperative of radical socio-economic transformation.

Since its adoption in 1996, the White Paper has provided a key policy framework for the Department and the ACH sector. It has been a pivotal document for the transformation, protection and preservation of the ACH sector in South Africa in pursuit of social cohesion and nation building.

While this policy framework has achieved many of the objectives envisaged, much more needs to be done to transform the country into a socially cohesive society. Addressing both South Africa's economic demands and cultural heritage, the White Paper review is intended to provide a comprehensive policy framework through to 2030. The revised White Paper will also provide short- to medium-term recommendations for the Department and the ACH sector, focusing on opportunities to broaden participation in the sector and create sustainable livelihoods.

The Department believes that it is essential to obtain input from stakeholders and other interested parties. Accordingly, the following workshops have been scheduled as a first step in soliciting public comments:

18 March 2015, Johannesburg – Market Theatre.

26 March 2015, Cape Town – Venue to be confirmed.

31 March 2015, Port Elizabeth – Venue to be confirmed.

2 April 2015, Durban – Playhouse Company

ENQUIRIES:

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