



## INVITATION

# You are cordially invited to the Annual Steve Biko Lecture & a tribute to the late Professor Bennie Khoapa

**12 SEPTEMBER 2024**

\* Steve Biko lecture

DUT Hotel School, Ritson Campus  
Entrance and parking, Gate 3  
Ritson Road, Durban

**14:00 - 16:30**

**12 SEPTEMBER 2024**

\* Performance

**13 SEPTEMBER 2024**

\* Script & Essay Readings

\*"Abaka Biko" Performance will take place outside the Alan Pittendrigh library, Steve Biko Campus using the area around Steve Biko's bust and surrounds for a site - specific public performance on the evening **12 September 2024. 18:30**

\*The Script and Essay Reading component is a conference style event where the 1st year Drama students (TXSA101) get to read their essays which are inspired by Black Consciousness. Students who participated in The Performance PTCB201 and SCRP301 will also get to share their thoughts on working in the project. This Component will take place at the CourtYardTheatre, Ritson Campus from **15:00** on **13 September 2024** and will be capped at 2 hours running time.

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### PROJECT BACKGROUND

The project is inspired by the legacy of Steve Biko, in a space that carries his name sake: Steve Biko Campus and Steve Biko Road

## SPEAKERS; STEVE BIKO LECTURE PROFILE OF SPEAKERS

### PROFESSOR NYAMEKO BARNEY PITYANA

**TOPIC: STEVE BIKO AND THE IDEA OF BLACKNESS - An inter-generational dialogue with Bennie A Khoapa - In Memoriam**

Professor Nyameko Barney Pityana was a founding member of the Black Consciousness Movement. He was the first Chairperson of the SA Human Rights Commission and is the retired Principal and Vice Chancellor of the University of South Africa. Prof Pityana holds degrees in law from Unisa, and in theology from King's College London, Oxford University and University of Cape Town where he was awarded a PhD in Religious Studies. He is an admitted Attorney of the High Court in South Africa as well as an Anglican priest.

Barney Pityana was a close comrade and friend of the late Bennie Khoapa, both in exile and in the early days of the BCM.

### SAM MOODLEY

**TOPIC: IN CONVERSATION WITH BEN KHOAPA - Black Community Programme's Trajectory framed within the Black Consciousness Philosophy - a Return to the Source**

Ms. Sam Moodley is an educator, a community and a cultural activist. Her work within the Black Community Programmes as a Research Assistant to Steve Biko together with being the Community Programmer for the Organisation, resulted in her being banned and house arrested for 5 years.

Sam Moodley draws her knowledge from her practice within various communities she serves—from Early Childhood Centres, womens' groups, welfare and disability organisations.

Studies, Inclusive Education Practice, Lectureship in Social Justice and Human Rights Education at the University of Kwazulu Natal (departments of Health Science and Depts of Education) and Durban University of Technology, Research and Publications on Disability Issues and various workshops with Educators Nationally.

Sam Moodley has written papers and articles for various newspapers, books and magazines. Her compilation of 30 stories in Reflection of Women from the B.C. Movement has been used by a number of universities locally and nationally.

She has served as Chairperson of Women in Action South Africa (WIASA), Women for Awareness (WOFA) and presently chairs the Early Intervention Centre of Action in Autism.

### PROFESSOR DARREN LORTAN

**TOPIC: Ben Khoapa's role in academia, the merger of Natal Technikon & M L Sultan Technikon and naming of the Steve Biko Campus**

Professor Darren Lortan is a Professor of Mathematics at the Durban University of Technology. He has held several leadership positions (including Executive Dean, Acting Senior Director: Engagement, and Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Academic). Apart from Mathematics, he has a keen interest in Community Engagement (CE). His involvement with CE began in 1997 through a project marketing STEM professions to high school students. The project extended to other areas in the city of Durban, with significant support engendered through a formal collaboration with Ikamva Youth, an NGO focusing on youth development and educational support.



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**Closing date for RSVP 10 September 2024**