

Notes on Contributors

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VERTREES MALHERBE is a Cape-based historian whose research has focused mainly on that region. She is currently going through the letters that she wrote to her parents after her arrival in South Africa, from the USA, in 1952. For the first ten and a half years she and her family lived in Durban; thus Natal was the site of her early impressions and experiences in a new country.

SIBONGISENI MKHIZE studied history at the University of Natal and joined the Natal Museum as an historical anthropologist in 1997. There he completed a Masters Degree on “African resistance politics in and around Pietermaritzburg” the following year, before leaving for a spell at the Durban Local History Museum in 1999. He returned to Pietermaritzburg as head of the Voortrekker Museum and was then appointed CEO of the Market Theatre Complex in Gauteng. In 2011 he moved to Cape Town when he was appointed to his present post as chief executive of the Robben Island Museum. He retains a deep interest in liberation history and is at present working on a doctoral biographic study of Edendale’s Selby Msimang.

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