



## AL3295 - The Constitution Hill Trust Collection

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Abstract: THE CONSTITUTION HILL TRUST COLLECTION IS NO LONGER IN THE CUSTODY OF SAHA

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This collection traces the developmental history of the Constitution Hill complex as a heritage site and the Constitutional Court and consists of materials relating to the Johannesburg Fort, Number Four prison, the Women's Jail, and also includes prisoner narratives and materials donated by ex-prisoners, including Barbara Hogan, Esther Barsel, Joe Slovo, Fatima Meer and Lilian Keagile, and ex-warders, as well as organisational records. The collection contains paper-based materials, photographs, videos, museum objects and a small library.

### Introduction

NO LONGER IN THE CUSTODY OF SAHA, THIS COLLECTION WAS RETURNED TO THE CONSTITUTION HILL TRUST WHEN SAHA RELOCATED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND (WITS) IN 2021.

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The custody of the archives of the Constitution Hill Trust was taken over by the South African History Archive (SAHA) when it moved from the to the Women's Jail Section at Constitution Hill in August 2012. The materials in this collection relate as much to the history of the site, as it does to the vision, development and construction of the Constitutional Court, and the conceptualisation and development of Constitutional Hill as a heritage site.

The seed for a new Constitutional Court building was planted in 1995 after many of the Constitutional Court judges at the time felt that the location of the Court in an office block in Braamfontein was not accessible enough. The search was soon commenced for an area that would be accessible and visible, that would aesthetically translate the court's mission of transparency and inclusiveness, and that would truly be embedded in a context of historical and symbolic importance. After a long process of searching for the perfect site, the judges settled on the notorious Old Fort prison, commissioned by Paul Kruger in 1893 to keep control over the uitlanders (foreigners) in the mining village of Johannesburg. The Fort was later used as a prison and from the beginning of its history white inmates were kept within the rampart walls, while black inmates were held outside. In 1902, Sections Four and Five, known colloquially as Number Four, were built to house black prisoners.



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At the time that the Old Fort, declared a National Heritage Monument in 1965, was chosen as a prospective site for the court, it and the Number Four prison complex had fallen into extreme disrepair. Since the vacation of the Old Fort and Number Four in 1983, almost no upkeep had taken place. For many, the Old Fort's neglect was worrying and the introduction of the Constitutional Court to the site also became an opportunity to renovate and restore the crumbling complex to national monument status. Constitutional Court judge Albie Sachs described the choice of the site in 2003 as a sign of the "transformation of South Africa from a racist, authoritarian society to a constitutional democracy. A more South African centre of repression and hope could not have been found."

The Constitution Hill Collection located at SAHA's offices at the Women's Jail, contains documents, correspondence, publications, and photographs that trace the history of the making of Constitution Hill from the early 1980's. The collection spans the time from when it was first suggested to turn the entire site (including Number Four) into a heritage site, to the opening of the complex and the Constitutional Court.

### The Making of Constitution Hill

The collection includes various documents that concern the making of Constitution Hill as we know it today, including a large collection of site photographs that show the transformation of the site from the beginning of construction in 2002 to the completion in 2004, as well as some site plans and presentation files that were used by the architects, construction companies and planners. Organisational documents like reports, minutes, tenders, business and funding proposals that trace the planning on various levels, from various teams and organisations can be found in the collection. This includes the organisational documents from various committees and state bodies that were either commissioned to implement various programmes, or that were solicited to help with the creation of the site. These teams and stakeholders include: Heritage, Education and Tourism team (HET), Department of Public Works, The Johannesburg Development Agency, the National Monuments Council, and the South African Heritage Resources Agency.

### Historical Research

Research into the site's history and the early history of Johannesburg that was undertaken by the Heritage, Education and Tourism team (HET) in the form of articles, historic photographs and reports are also present in the collection. This research spans the use of the Fort from when it was constructed under the instruction of Paul Kruger, president of the Zuid-Afrikaanse Republiek in 1893, to its occupation by the British army during the South Africa War in 1900, to its use as a prison during Apartheid where political prisoners like Henry Nxumalo, Nelson Mandela, O.R Tambo, Barbara Hogan, Winnie Mandela, and Albertina Sisulu were held. The research was undertaken in order to conceptualise the key points of the site that could be included in a programme of permanent exhibitions, which can still be viewed on the site.

### Prisoner Narratives

The HET team that was commissioned to coordinate and implement the museum exhibitions on display at the Fort and Number Four researched into the personal narratives of criminal and political male and female ex-prisoners held at Number Four and the Women's Jail. These ex-prisoners are lesser known, but their stories are important in understanding the processes of arrest and unfair trial during the apartheid era; the prison conditions of black inmates; and the relations to warders. This research takes the form of interview transcripts, video interviews, and ex-prisoner workshop transcripts. An extensive number of these documents relate to the Women's Jail. Some of the ex-female prisoners still meet on a weekly basis and SAHA is in the process of working with these women on updating and legitimising the collection.

### Public Programmes

Planning for public programmes from 2004 – 2007 generated a large amount of accompanying material. This material



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includes photography, posters, brochures and invitations. Public programmes include exhibitions, festivals, educational tours and programmes, as well as the events that occurred during the public opening of various sections of the complex, such as the Women's Jail. Documents relating to the site's participation in the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) are also available.

### **Historical Papers and Works**

The collection holds various historical documents. This includes correspondence by ex-prisoners of the Fort and the Women's Jail such as Barbara Hogan, Esther Barsel, and Eli Weinberg, Violet Weinberg and Sheila Weinberg. The Weinberg collection of correspondence span Eli, Violet and Sheila's incarceration; the house arrest of Sheila and Violet; Eli and Violet's exile in Tanzania; correspondence between Sheila and various Indian prisoners held on Robben Island; and letters from the state, most notably the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Internal Security, to Eli, Violet and Sheila. Fatima Meer's original drawings and paintings of everyday life in the Women's Jail are also kept in the archive.

### **Museum Objects**

Museum objects that were commissioned and donated by various institutions and stakeholders can also be found in the collection. Items include warder uniforms, personal items donated by ex-prisoners, and soap, blanket and paper mache sculptures created by male ex-prisoners for exhibition purposes.

### **Notes**

The Constitution Hill Archive Collection Policy of 2003 states that "the Constitution Hill collections will embody the vision of Constitution Hill" and that items collected will relate first and foremost to the history of the site, to the social history of the site, South African local history, and the development of the Constitutional Court and constitutional law". From 2003 to 2007 materials were actively collected, sourced, accessioned and stored in the archival storage space at Constitution Hill which is now being occupied by SAHA.

When SAHA took over the custody of the archive due to resource constraints, the archive had not been maintained or managed for over five years, and was in much need of work and attention. A comprehensive assessment was the first step to establish the extent and condition of archival materials and museum objects.

### **Embarking on the first phase**

The archival team took seven months to complete the first phase of work on the archives of the Constitution Hill Trust (now known as the Constitution Hill collection). This included a comprehensive assessment; conducting background research; identifying problem areas and concerns; reviewing record-keeping systems; examining systems of accessioning; conducting audits of paper-based materials, photographs, special media materials and museum objects; identifying archival collection series; compiling basic listings for all archival collections; conducting a site search for materials removed from the archive and facilitating the return of such materials to the archive, and identifying preservation needs.

Agreements with stakeholders are currently being reviewed to support and enable the access and use of archival materials.

Materials have mostly been described on folder level. The collection inventory is a work-in-progress and archival description on item level will follow during the second phase of work on the Constitution Hill collection.



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### Arrangement

The archival arrangement of the Constitution Hill Trust collection aims to reflect the developmental history of the Constitutional Court and Constitution Hill from conceptualisation to the opening of the Constitutional Court, and the complex as a heritage site.

### Inventory

#### A: Historical background of the Constitution Hill site

*Also see sub-series B5.1.1 on Fort research for additional documentation on the history of the site.*

##### A01: SAHRA Report - Our History in the Making: the Johannesburg Fort 1893-1983

*Report by the South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA) on historical survey as commissioned for the development of a conservation management plan for the Constitution Hill Precinct, Johannesburg, November 2000. The report consists of Part I: An oral history project and Part II: A documentary history derived from written records.*

##### A02: The Military History of the Johannesburg Fort with recommendations regarding its restoration

[August 2004]

*Report prepared by K.A. Digby, August 2004.*

##### A03: The Fort Steering Committee

[1993-1996]

*The provenance of the lever-arch folder marked 'The Fort (complete)' is not known, but much of the materials relate to the development of the Fort and site in the early 1990s, prior to the Constitutional Hill Development Project a decade later. Included in this folder are: Minutes of meetings of the Fort Steering Committee for 1994; background documents on the history of the Fort; correspondence from Flo Bird of the National Monuments Council to Raymond Cardosa, Deputy Director: City Architect regarding the development of the Fort property and a visit to the Fort site, cost estimates; articles and reports: The Fort: potential for a tourist centre; Alan Lipman Architects report on the possible uses of the site and buildings - primarily for residential, community/education and tourist purposes; The restoration of the Johannesburg Fort - a living museum of military and penal history; site maps, and an article on Bob Gosani. Reference material include: Report of the Commission appointed to enquire into the Johannesburg Prison, 1904-1905; people's experiences at the Fort as a prison, such as Nelson Mandela, Joe Slovo, Ellen Kuzwayo, Treason trialists and newspaper articles.*

##### A03.1: Minutes of Fort Steering Committee

[1994-]

##### A03.2: Documents regarding the development of the site, 1993-1994

[1993-1994]

##### A03.3: Correspondence regarding the development of the site, 1993-1994

[1993-1994]

##### A03.4: Reference materials

#### B: The Constitution Hill Development Project

*The development of the site*

##### B01: Constitutional Court

##### B01.1: Certified accommodation requirements in respect of the Constitutional Court

[1996]

*This document by the Constitutional Court sets out the Court's certified accommodation requirements as an attachment to correspondence from the Department of Justice to Justice A. Chaskalson regarding a suitable building site for the new Constitutional Court building, dated 12 January 1996.*

##### B01.2: The Constitutional Court Architectural Competition

[1996-2000]

##### B01.2.1: Launch of the Architectural Competition

[15 July 1997]



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B01.2.1.1: Invitation to the Constitutional Court Competition launch

[15 July 1997]

B01.2.1.2: Programme for the Constitutional Court Competition launch

[15 July 1997]

B01.2.1.3: Welcome and introduction by Councillor Colin Matjila

[15 July 1997]

B01.2.1.4: Address by Minister Jeff Radebe

[15 July 1997]

*This address by Jeff Radebe, Minister of Public Works was delivered on the occasion of the launch of the Architectural Competition for the design of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of South Africa on 15 July 1997.*

B01.2.1.5: Address by the Mayor, Councillor Mogase

[15 July 1997]

B01.2.2: Constitutional Court competition documentation

[1996-1999]

*This collection of seven sets of bound photocopied documents document the development of the new Constitutional Court building from the architectural competition to construction. Duplicate materials exists in sets where years overlap. Many of these documents are for the attention of Constitutional Court judges Albie Sachs and Arthur Chaskalson.*

B01.2.2.1: Constitutional Court competition: documents and correspondence 1996-1998

[1996-1998]

*Included in this set of documents are: specifications for court building; preliminary notes on the proposed competition for the Constitutional Court; the Department of Public Works Guidelines for architectural competitions: new Constitutional Court, 1996; architectural competition: questions and answers to all finalists, 1998; Architectural consultants' notes; Agenda for planning procedures between the Constitutional Court, the Departments of Justice and Public Works; and correspondence regarding the accommodation certificate.*

B01.2.2.2: Constitutional Court competition: site information 1997

[1997]

*This document sets out the locality plan, town planning and road network information, as well as reports on existing vegetation on the site, micro climate and topography and discusses the urban design concept and the development philosophy of Greater Johannesburg.*

B01.2.2.3: Constitutional Court competition: documents and correspondence 1997-1998

[1997-1998]

*Included in this set of documents are: Constitutional Court Revised Draft Brief for the competition; minutes of meetings of the Competition Steering Committee; Report by the competition jury on the first stage of the competition; Memorandum containing questions and answers regarding the architectural competition; Memorandum regarding the draft land agreement and conditions for transfer of the Old Fort Site to the Department of Public Works and for the development of the Constitutional Court; correspondence from the National Monuments Council regarding the proclamation of the Old Fort precinct as a national monument, 1997.*

B01.2.2.4: Constitutional Court competition: documents and correspondence 1997-1998

*Included in this set of documents are: records of meetings with competition assessors and project architects; a draft report on the vision, the art works and project structure; Phasing & Notional Costing for Constitutional Hill prepared for the Department of Arts, Cultures, Science and Technology by omm design workshop and urban solutions; an untitled history of "The Old Fort"; a memorandum regarding library*



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*planning for the new Court; Constitution Hill Legacy Project draft business plan; correspondence.*

### B01.2.2.5: Constitutional Court competition: documents and correspondence 1998

[1998]

*Included in this set of documents are: a list of requests to architects; documentation around the Constitutional Court Building Committee and the Steering Committee meetings; a norm document, and correspondence regarding accommodation certification, design and planning, refurbishing, and the grant of approximately R350 000 from the Lord Mayor of London to construct a sport complex at Old Fort Prison; a statement by the Jury in the Second Stage of the Architectural competition (annotated); adjudication programme for stage 2 of the competition; and a Working proposal (draft) for the development of Constitution Hill.*

### B01.2.2.6: Constitutional Court competition: documents and correspondence 1998

[1998]

*Included in this set of documents are: documentation around the Constitution Hill Steering Committee and Building Committee meetings; correspondence regarding drawings and models of the five final finalists, a gift of a tapestry to the Constitutional Court, shelving in the library; records of meetings of the Project Committee; Brief and Conditions: Competition for the New Constitutional Court Building of South Africa; Landscape Architectural Evaluation; Architecture Review by Albie Sachs (annotated); Recommendations regarding the appointment of the winner; and an announcement of entry number 120 as the winning entry.*

### B01.2.2.7: Constitutional Court competition: documents and correspondence 1999

[1999]

*Included in this set of documents are: documentation around the meetings of the Constitution Hill Steering Committee (CHSC) and some documentation and correspondence regarding the construction of the new Constitutional Court, as well as the architectural competition. Included are correspondence with the President and justices of the Constitutional Court, omm design workshop and urban solutions, Department of Public Works, Department of Justice; the Deed of Donation on the proposed Constitutional Court and minutes of the meeting of the Interdepartmental Security Coordinating Committee of 19 January 1999; Notes on cost norms and work stage 2 estimate; Draft report - proposed relocation of Constitutional Court: Fort Substation, and Constitution Hill Vision Brochure.*

### B01.3: Baseline Drawings for the new Constitutional Court for South Africa

[June 2000]

*Prepared by omm design workshop and urban solutions in June 2000, the baseline drawings for the Constitutional Court for South Africa include Volume 2: General arrangement plans: Library, Court Chamber.*

## B02: Constitution Hill Precinct

### B02.1: Johannesburg Interim Audit of City Centre Cultural Assets

[April 2001]

*This audit report was compiled by Professor Peter Stark, Director of the Centre for Cultural Policy and Management, University of Northumbria, April 2001.*

### B02.2: South Africa's Constitution Hill and the Johannesburg Fort: Notes towards a Concept Outline

[April 2001]

*This report was compiled by Professor Peter Stark, Director of the Centre for Cultural policy and Management, University of Northumbria, April 2001.*

### B02.3: Constitution Hill Masterplan

[April 2001]

*This vision plan was prepared by omm design workshop and urban solutions in April 2001 for the Department of Public Works and the Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology.*

### B02.4: Proposals for the utilisation of the Rampart, Johannesburg Fort, in the development of Constitution Hill





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[March 2002]

*These Proposals for the utilisation of the Rampart, Johannesburg Fort, in the development of Constitution Hill was prepared by heritage consultant H. Prins in March 2002.*

### B02.5: Constitution Hill Institutional Framework: review and recommendations

[30 July 2003]

*This report was prepared by FMA Consulting, 30 July 2003.*

### B02.6: Constitution Hill Draft Interpretative Plan

[June 2003]

### B02.7: Constitution Hill Integrated Community Projects

[August 2003]

*This project report was prepared by omm design workshop and urban solutions in August 2003.*

## B03: Heritage, Education and Tourism (HET) team and the Short Term Implementation Plan (STIP)

### B03.1: HET Prospectus Report

[June 2003]

*This prospectus report by the Heritage, Education and Tourism (HET), dated June 2003 sets out the background, concept, ethos and guiding principles; the Constitutional Hill management authority, tourism marketing and audience development; the visitor experience as well as the aims, guidelines and principles for achieving financial sustainability.*

### B03.2: STIP Outputs - Phase 1

[9 September 2003]

*This report, dated 9 September 2003 details the outputs for the Short Term Implementation Plan (STIP) in term of the team structure, collections, oral history, the We the People project, the prisoner workshops, exhibition and tourism.*

### B03.3: STIP 2nd Status Report

[November 2003]

*The STIP Status Report, dated November 2003 outlines the purpose and outputs of STIP, lists team members and partners and further outlines the development of the visual identity for the site, the oral history programmes, collections, public and educational programmes as well as tourism and marketing.*

### B03.4: Ford Foundation proposal for funding

[November 2003]

*This is the final draft of the Constitution Hill Ford Foundation proposal, November 2003.*

## B04: Projects

### B04.1: World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD)

### B04.2: 'We the People' (WTP) project

*A run-up project to the opening of Constitution Hill in March 2004, 'We the People' (WTP) (2003-2004) was a national outreach campaign with the aim to inform South Africans about the development at Constitution Hill and the opening of the new Constitutional Court on 21 March 2004, and to collect memorabilia and stories (past), reflections (present), aspirations and dreams (future) of ordinary South Africans, as well as from communities directly associated with constitution Hill (ex-prisoners and ex wardens).*

#### B04.2.1: Research

##### B04.2.1.1: List of research priorities

[12 October 2003]

##### B04.2.1.2: List of interview questions

##### B04.2.1.3: Permission requests for filming and/or interviewing

###### B04.2.1.3.1: Gauteng

*Includes requests for permission to film and/or interview at John Vorster Square, Carltonville mine, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Miss Gay Soweto Pageant, Ponte, Shell*



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*House, Magistrate's Court, police raid in Hillbrow, Pretoria Police Academy, and the Lindela refugee centre and Home Affairs reception, as well as reference material.*

### B04.2.1.3.2: Free State

*Includes requests for permission to film and/or interview at President Steyn Gold Mine, St Helena Gold Mine, and Betrix Mine, as well as reference material.*

### B04.2.1.3.3: Western Cape

*Includes requests for permission to film and/or interview at Gugulethu MOU (HIV/Aids treatment programme), and Radio 786, as well as reference material.*

### B04.2.1.3.4: Northern Cape

*Includes requests for permission to film and/or interview the !Xun and Khwe communities in Schmidtsdrift, XK-FM, the Bareki community in Heuningvlei (regarding court case against Gencor about the asbestos mine dumps), as well as reference material.*

### B04.2.1.3.5: KwaZulu-Natal

### B04.2.1.3.6: Limpopo

### B04.2.1.3.7: Eastern Cape

### B04.2.2: Release forms

### B04.2.3: 'We the People' Roadtrip Status Report

[November 2003]

### B04.2.4: Wall messages

#### B04.2.4.1: Suggested list for We the People Wall

#### B04.2.4.2: Invitations

#### B04.2.4.3: Messages

#### B04.2.4.4: Messages selected for engraving

### B04.2.5: Administration

*Includes call sheets for film shoots and template release forms, interview questions and background information sheet on 'We the People' project.*

## B04.3: Oral history project

### B04.3.1: Transcripts of Women's Workshops and Interviews

[2003]

*This volume includes the transcript of an interview with ex political prisoners Rica Hodgson and Esther Barsel and transcripts of a Constitution Hill Open Day, as well as a women political prisoners' workshop conducted on 27 September 2003.*

### B04.3.2: Women ex-prisoner and ex-warder workshops 1-8

[2004]

#### B04.3.2.01: Oral history Women's workshop 1: Interview transcriptions

[13 August 2004]

*Participants in the Oral history workshop 1 on 13 August 2004 include ex-prisoners Patricia Alarm, Bella Dlamini, Assienna Mnisi and Tikki Mothimunya. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.2.02: Oral history Women's workshop 2: Interview transcriptions

[24 August 2004]

*Participant in the Oral history workshop 2 on 24 August 2004 includes ex-prison warder Marlene Liebenberg. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.2.03: Oral history Women's workshop 3: Interview transcriptions

[10 September 2004]

*Participants in the Oral history workshop 3 on 10 September 2004 include ex-prisoners Sis Walaza*





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(Sbongile), Yvonne Mhauri, Palesa Musa, Daphne (surname unknown) and Nomali Ntamo. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.

### B04.3.2.04: Oral history Women's workshop 4: Interview transcriptions

[19 September 2004]

Participants in the Oral history workshop 4 on 19 September 2004 include ex-prisoners Joyce Dipale, Lilian Keagile and Baby Tyawa. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.

### B04.3.2.05: Oral history Women's workshop 5: Interview transcriptions

[7 October 2004]

Participants in the Oral history workshop 5 on 7 October 2004 include ex-prisoners Gladys Madondo, Dudu Mabanga, Baby Nethengwe and Princess Mncedana. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.

### B04.3.2.06: Oral history Women's workshop 6: Interview transcriptions

[13 October 2004]

Participants in the Oral history workshop 6 on 13 October 2004 include ex-prison warders Linda Xamesi, Lydia Nosilela and Nombulelo Batana. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.

### B04.3.2.07: Oral history Women's workshop 7: Interview transcriptions

[23 October 2004]

Participants in the Oral history workshop 7 on 23 October 2004 include ex-prison warders Magdalena Weenop and Teresa Swanepoel. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.

### B04.3.2.08: Oral history Women's workshop 8: Interview transcriptions

[8 December 2004]

Participants in the Oral history workshop 8 on 8 December 2004 include ex-prisoners Felicity and Seipathi. The video-recording of this workshop is contained in series E.

### B04.3.3: Women isolation cell interviews

#### B04.3.3.01: Transcript of interview with Albertina Sisulu

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.3.02: Transcript of interview with Lilian Keagile

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.3.03: Transcript of interview with Yvonne Mhauri

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.3.04: Transcript of interview with Sibongile Tshabalala

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.3.05: Transcript of interview with Nolundi Ntamo

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.3.06: Transcript of interview with Deborah Matshoba

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.3.07: Transcript of interview with Ester Barsel, Linda Shapiro and Merle Ruff

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

#### B04.3.3.08: Transcript of interview with Barbara Hogan

*The video-recording of this interview is contained in series E.*

### B04.3.4: Home interviews

*This volume contains transcripts of interviews with: Ms D. Machoba, Mr Mandoza, Mr Makiti, Ms Jeannie Noel, Mrs Vester Smith, Mr Nthute, Mr C. Ntsibande, Mr. W. Thelela, Ms L. Tabane, Ms Constance Funani and Mr Gaanakgomo.*

### B04.3.5: Report of "the Old Fort" Oral Interview Survey

[March 2007]



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*Written and compiled by Paul Holden*

### B04.5: Mapping Memory project

[2006]

*As part of this project former prisoners were assisted in taking photographs of the jail as well as in drawing their stories and recording oral testimonies in order to capture their memories. Their drawings are contained in scrap books.*

#### B04.5.1: Men ex-prisoner scrap books

*Includes scrap books of: Edward Bhengu, Joseph Khoza, Napoleon Mazabane Letsoko, L. Lukhele, Khaya Isaac Magi, John Moeketsi Mahapa, Cornelius Manota, Zolile William Mgweba, Patrick Mudau, R. Nene, Siphon Victor Nkabinde, Raselepe, G. Ntheledi and White Sesinyi.*

#### B04.5.2: Women ex-prisoner scrap books

*Includes scrap books of: Patricia Alarm, Joyce Dipale, Bella Dlamini, Lilian Keagile, Deborah Matshoba, Jubu Mayet, Yvonne Mhlauli, Assienah Mnisi, Johana Tiki Mothimonye and Sibongile Tshabalala.*

### B05: Historical research

#### B05.1: Fort research

[2006]

*Comprehensive research was conducted by Sharon Cort on the history of the Fort for the purpose of possible museum exhibitions. She compiled three files of reference and research materials marked 'Fort research files 2006 no. 1-3'.*

#### B05.1.1: Fort research file no. 1

*The wealth of reference and research materials in this file are divided into the following sections: BACKGROUND HERITAGE DOCUMENTS - which include various reports and submissions, e.g. Johannesburg Fort specifications, The Old Fort: proposals for the development of the buildings and land of the Fort site for a museum of racial tolerance and a centre of reconciliation (1996), the restoration of the Johannesburg Fort: a living museum of military and penal history (1992); EXHIBITION TEAM DOCUMENTS - which include the Constitution Hill Draft Interpretative Plan (2003), Part I: The Old Fort and its satellites 1893-1910 and Part II: A history of the elements of the Johannesburg Prison Complex 1910-1988, A concise history of the Old Fort and associated buildings from 1893 to the present, Constitution Hill Exhibition Walkthrough, Fort Report Database; Newspaper articles; Maps; General images of the Fort. The sections on EARLY JOHANNESBURG - THE BUILDINGS OF THE JAIL; THE JAMESON RAID; THE ANGLO-BOER WAR AND THE BRITISH OCCUPATION OF THE FORT contain numerous photocopies of documents and photographs sourced from other museums and/or archives.*

#### B05.1.2: Fort research file no. 2

*This file is marked CELL STORIES and contains reference and research materials on the following people: Thompson Bain, Colin Wade, Cornelis Broeksma and Tom Visser, the Foster Gang, and General Christiaan de Wet. Thompson Bain was incarcerated at the Fort in 1900 for siding with the Boers and in 1914 for his involvement in labour strikes. Colin Wade was incarcerated for his involvement in the 1913 Strike. Both Cornelis Broeksma and Tom Visser were arrested for sending coded message criticizing the British during the Anglo-Boer War. Broeksma was accused of treason and executed at the Fort. General Christiaan de Wet was imprisoned for his role in the 1914 Rebellion.*

#### B05.1.3: Fort research file no. 3

*This file is marked CELL STORIES (CONTINUED FROM FILE 2) and contains reference and research materials on the 1922 Miners' Strike; Ossewabrandwag; Joe Slovo; Others held in 1960 State of Emergency - Rev. Douglas, Ernie Wentzel, Cecil Williams and Rusty Bernstein; David Pratt, Cerdic Mayson, Barusch Hirson and Michelle Bruno, as well as memoirs of other prisoners.*

### B06: Exhibitions



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### C: Organisational materials

*The organisational materials were not originally part of the Constitution Hill archives. These materials would have still been in use by the office of origin at the time the archive was being established. Stored in various storerooms around the Constitution Hill complex, a site audit was conducted and a large number of later office records are now part of the archive. These materials are not yet processed.*

### D: Photographs

#### D01: Constitution Hill site development and construction

##### D01.01: Construction of the Constitution Hill complex

[2000 - Access image - jpeg]

*This is a colour image of the construction of the Constitution Hill complex in 2002.*

##### D01.02: Construction of the Constitutional Court

[2002 - Access image - jpeg]

*This is a colour image of the construction of the Constitutional Court in 2002.*

#### D02: Ex-prisoner workshops

#### D03: Women's Jail collection

#### D04: World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD)

#### D05: Public programmes

#### D06: Temporary exhibitions

### E: Audio-visual material

#### E1: Constitution Hill site recordings

*These video and audio recordings form part of the Constitution Hill exhibitions throughout the site.*

##### E01.01: Video and audio recordings in Number Four

###### E01.01.01: Orientation

[2004 - Original format - VHS, Access format - MP4]

*This video entitled 'Number Four orientation video' introduces the permanent exhibition to visitors to the heritage site before they start their tour in the men's jail section known as Number Four. Produced for the Constitution Hill Trust by Ochre Media in 2004, this video was digitised by SAHA in 2014 and can be viewed on YouTube.*

###### E01.01.02: Life in a cell

*Video recording*

###### E01.01.03: Resistance and resilience

*Video recording*

###### E01.01.04: Power and punishment

*Video recording*

###### E01.01.05: Gandhi

*Audio recording*

##### E01.02: Video and audio recordings in Women's Jail

###### E01.02.01: Nolundi Ntamo

*Video recording*

###### E01.02.02: Sibongile Khumalo

*Video recording*

###### E01.02.03: Deborah Matshoba

*Video recording*

###### E01.02.04: Albertina Sisulu

*Video recording*

###### E01.02.05: Lilian Keagile



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*Video recording*

F: CD/DVDs

G: Book collection

H: Donated materials

H01: Materials donated by ex-prisoners

H01.01: Esther Barsel papers

[1964-1968]

*This collection of correspondence includes letters written by Esther Barsel to her husband Hymie Barsel and her daughters Merle and Linda during her incarceration in the Johannesburg Women's Jail (1984) and the Barberton Women's Jail (1985-1986).*

H01.02: Barbara Hogan papers

[1997-1990]

*Donated by Barbara Hogan in November 2003. Correspondence forms the bulk of this collection, complemented by prison records as well as documents that relate to her Masters thesis on unemployment.*

H01.2.01: Documents relating to her arrest

H01.2.01.01: Report by Barbara Hogan on her ANC underground work

[Circa 1981]

*This report, entitled 'Problems arising in internal political work' outlines Barbara Hogan's underground work for the ANC. The report and the so-called 'Close Comrades' list, which were intended for the ANC, were intercepted and led to her arrest on 22 September 1981. Photocopy.*

H01.2.01.02: 'Close Comrades' list

[Circa 1981]

*The handwritten document entitled 'Close Comrades (as regards above and underground work)' by Barbara Hogan lists the names of people involved in above and underground work for the ANC. Photocopy.*

H01.2.01.03: Documents presumably confiscated by the security police

[1981]

*Each of the documents bears a signature and the date 22/9/81, the date of Barbara Hogan's arrest. This indicates that the documents could have been confiscated from Barbara Hogan by the security police. The documents have been numbered in red pen and include numbers 1, 9, 13, 16, 25-29, 31, 34 and 39-40. It would seem that most of these documents relate to Barbara Hogan's research for her MA thesis on unemployment in South Africa and include articles and numerous handwritten notes by Barbara Hogan.*

H01.2.01.04: Terrorism Act No. 83 of 1967

[12 June 1967]

*Photocopy.*

H01.2.01.05: Court record: Charge sheet in the case of The State versus Barbara Anne Hogan

[Date unknown]

*The charge sheet includes a schedule and a list of names of witnesses. Photocopy.*

H01.2.01.06: General Power of Attorney

[13 October 1982]

*During the court case, prior to the judgement handed down, Barbara Hogan signed over power of attorney to her sister Sally Hogan and attorney Kathleen Satchwell. Photocopy.*

H01.2.02: Detention records

*Barbara Hogan was detained in John Vorster Square*

H01.2.02.01: First visit Dec '81: handwritten list of toiletries



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[December 1981]

*Photocopy.*

H01.2.02.02: Account of a visit to Barbara Hogan

[6 February 1982]

*An account of Barbara Hogan's parents and sister Sally's ten minute visit to Barbara at John Vorster Square, described as "most unsatisfactory". Photocopy.*

H01.2.02.03: Letter to Brigadier Muller regarding Barbara Hogan's detention and solitary confinement

[22 March 1982]

*Letter from Sally Hogan to Brigadier Muller at John Vorster Square about Barbara Hogan's rapid decline in her condition. Photocopy.*

H01.2.02.04: Manual on Detention

[Date unknown]

*Published by the Media Projects and printed on SRC Press at the University of Cape Town.*

H01.2.02.05: "Our View" number 1 & 2

[1981-1982]

*The "Our View" newsletter reported on issues around detention. Photocopies; annotated.*

H01.2.02.06: DESCOM Newsletter

[1982]

*DESCOM Newsletter, issue number 3, 27 January 1982; issue number 4, 17 February 1982. Photocopies.*

H01.2.02.07: DPSC / DESCOM pamphlets

[1981-1982]

*Included are two pamphlets issued by the Detainees' Parents Support Committee and by DESCOM for public protest meetings on detentions on 23 November 1981 and 28 January 1982 respectively. Print; photocopy.*

H01.2.03: Prison records

*Barbara Hogan kept meticulous record of the following whilst imprisoned: letters sent and received; birthday and Christmas cards sent and received; visitors 1984-1989; menus for breakfast, lunch and supper, food served/consumed, including 'Changes in Diet Scale'; purchases (including item prices), roster for parcel deliveries. Her prison release certificate, dated 9 February 1990 forms part of this sub-series.*

H01.2.03.01: Reports to prison authorities regarding prisoner complaints

[1985-1987]

*The handwritten reports address prisoner complaints and include: a report to Major Bothma regarding the grading of women security prisoners, 22 May 1985; a report to the Commissioner of the Department of Prison Services, 6 April 1987 and an appendix to a report entitled 'Appendix: Examples' by Barbara Hogan, P. Hanekom and Ms P.E. Hanekom with contributions from M. Sparg and Helen Passtoors, circa 1987. Handwritten copies.*

H01.2.03.02: Record of visitors

[1984-1989]

*Handwritten records on pieces of paper and index cards were kept by Barbara Hogan and her stepmother, Hettie on people visiting her during her imprisonment. The records include lists of names of visitors and dates of their visits (1984-1989) and a list of names of approved visitors ("goedgekeurde besoekers") and those who were refused visits, dated 10 June 1988.*

H01.2.03.03: Record of correspondence

[1982-1989]

*Handwritten records were kept by Barbara Hogan on letters sent and received (1982-1987); cards sent*



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*and received (1984-1989). It further includes a birthday list of names of people with their dates of birth; addresses on loose pieces of papers and a handmade calendar, date unknown.*

H01.2.03.04: Record of prison meals

H01.2.03.05: Record of purchases

[1982-1984]

*Handwritten receipts issued to Barbara Hogan for items (toiletries and cards, etc.) purchased while imprisoned in the Women's Jail at the Fort from 1982-1983.*

H01.2.03.06: Rosters for parcel delivery to the Fort

[Circa 1982 / 1983]

*Included are two rosters for parcel delivery to: Barbara Hogan and Hannchen Koornhof, and Alan Fine and Cedric Mayson*

H01.2.03.07: Memorandum to Mohammed Valli Moosa regarding visitation

[11 September 1989]

*This memorandum notifies Mohammed Valli Moosa that his application to visit Barbara Hogan at the Pretoria Women's Jail has been approved.*

H01.2.03.08: Barbara Hogan's prison release certificate

[9 February 1990]

H01.2.04: Correspondence

[1977-1997]

*The correspondence includes letters to and from Barbara Hogan - father and stepmother, Marius and Jen, Ministry of Health and Welfare, David Webster, Wilma, Jo, Sheila and Ken, Sally (sister), Jonathan (brother-in-law), Jill (sister), Jane, Merle Barsel, Alan, Hannchen Koornhof, Barbara Klugman, Bernadette Schumpp, Mohammed Valli Moosa, Dorothy, Kathleen Satchwell, Ellen R. Hendrix, Maria Ramos (UNISA), Kader Asmal (IAAM). Also included are Christmas and birthday cards. The correspondence are mostly original and handwritten letters, while some of the letters are photocopies.*

H01.2.04.01: Letters from Barbara Hogan to family and friends

[1982-1989]

H01.2.04.02: Letters to Barbara Hogan from family and friends

[1977, 1982-1991, 1997]

H01.2.04.03: Letters to Pat and Hettie Hogan (parents of Barbara Hogan)

[1976, 1981-1988]

H01.2.04.04: Incomplete and undated letters

*Includes letters from Barbara [Klugman], Sally Hogan, Hettie Hogan and Ellen R. Hendrix.*

H01.2.05: Prison narratives

H01.2.05.01: Address by Barbara Hogan on her prison experiences

[Date unknown]

*Annotated typescript.*

H01.2.05.02: "The Fort" - a narrative on a visit to Barbara Hogan at the Johannesburg Fort

*This narrative by a journalist reflects on his visit and includes accounts of prison experiences as shared by Barbara Hogan. The date 8 September 1979 seems incorrect. Photocopy.*

H01.2.06: Materials relating to Masters thesis on unemployment

*Included are materials produced by Barbara Hogan, as well as reference and research materials.*

H01.2.07: Newspaper clippings

[1981-1984]

H01.2.08: Ephemera

*Included are: a drawing (ink on paper) of woman sitting (fragile condition); hand-drawn cartoon on blue*





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*cardboard entitled "Jailhouse Blues", signed "P.C", 1989; a hand-made playing card ; a "GET OUT OF JAIL" card and a "BANKING ON HOGAN" article heading cut out from magazine.*

### H01.2.09: Photographs

*Black and white school class photo with Barbara Hogan in the front row, third from the left, date unknown; colour photo of Barbara Hogan on JTD/JVA ID card, 1980.*

### H01.03: Weinberg papers

*The Weinberg papers largely consists of photocopied correspondence spanning Eli, Violet and Sheila Weinberg's incarceration; the house arrest of Sheila and Violet; Eli and Violet's exile in Tanzania; correspondence between Sheila and various Indian prisoners held on Robben Island, and letters from the state, most notably the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Internal Security, to Eli, Violet and Sheila.*

### H01.04: Fatima Meer collection of prison artworks

#### H01.04.01: 'Women's Jail' by Fatima Meer

[1976 - Access image -jpeg]

*This colour ink on paper drawing of the Women's jail in Johannesburg was done by Fatima Meer during her imprisonment. She was detained without trial in 1976 for several months alongside Winnie Mandela and other women of the Black Women's Federation.*

#### H01.04.02: "My cell" by Fatima Meer

[1976 - Access image - jpg]

*This colour ink on paper drawing of her cell in the Women's jail in Johannesburg was done by Fatima Meer during her imprisonment. She was detained without trial in 1976 for several months alongside Winnie Mandela and other women of the Black Women's Federation.*

#### H01.04.03: 'Prisoners in the yard' by Fatima Meer

[1976 - Access image - jpg]

*This colour ink on paper drawing of prisoners in the yard at the Women's jail in Johannesburg was done by Fatima Meer during her imprisonment. She was detained without trial in 1976 for several months alongside Winnie Mandela and other women of the Black Women's Federation.*

#### H01.04.04: 'Braiding hair' by Fatima Meer

[1976 - Access image -jpeg]

*This colour ink on paper drawing of a prisoner braiding another prisoner's hair at the Women's jail in Johannesburg was done by Fatima Meer during her imprisonment. She was detained without trial in 1976 for several months alongside Winnie Mandela and other women of the Black Women's Federation.*

H02: Materials donated by ex-prison warders

H03: Collection of museum artefacts