The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) cordially invites you to the 2017 ASSAf Annual Humanities Lecture

**Steve Biko’s “Envisioned Self” and the Makings of a South African**

by Prof Njabulo Ndebele

The purpose of this prestigious event is to promote the Humanities in the country. Our interest is to draw attention to the importance of the Humanities amongst school learners, university students, scholars, and the broad South African society.

**Date:** Thursday, 26 October 2017

**Time:** 17:30 for 18:00 - 20:00

Refreshments will be served after the lecture

**Venue:** Merensky 2 Library Auditorium, Level 3, University of Pretoria, Corner Lynnwood Rd and Roper Street, Hatfield, Pretoria. [Click here](#) to access map

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**About Prof Njabulo Ndebele**

**Prof Njabulo Ndebele** is Chairman of The Nelson Mandela Foundation and The Mandela Rhodes Foundation. He holds a PhD in Creative Writing from the University of Denver. His leadership in South African higher education has seen him serve as Deputy Vice-Chancellor at the University of the Western Cape, Vice-Chancellor of the University of the North (now Limpopo) and two terms as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town. He is currently Chancellor of the University of Johannesburg.

He also served as Chair of the South African Universities Vice-Chancellor’s Association; President of the Association of African Universities; and founding Chair of the Southern African Regional Universities’ Association. He chaired three South African Government Commissions on broadcasting, the teaching of history in schools, and the use of African Languages as media of instruction in South African Universities.

He has received Honorary Doctorates from universities in South Africa, United States, Japan, Europe and the United Kingdom. Prof Ndebele is an award winning author of fiction and essays.