



THE MANDELA RHODES
FOUNDATION
YEARBOOK
2009

BUILDING EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP IN AFRICA

THE MANDELA RHODES CLASS OF 2009



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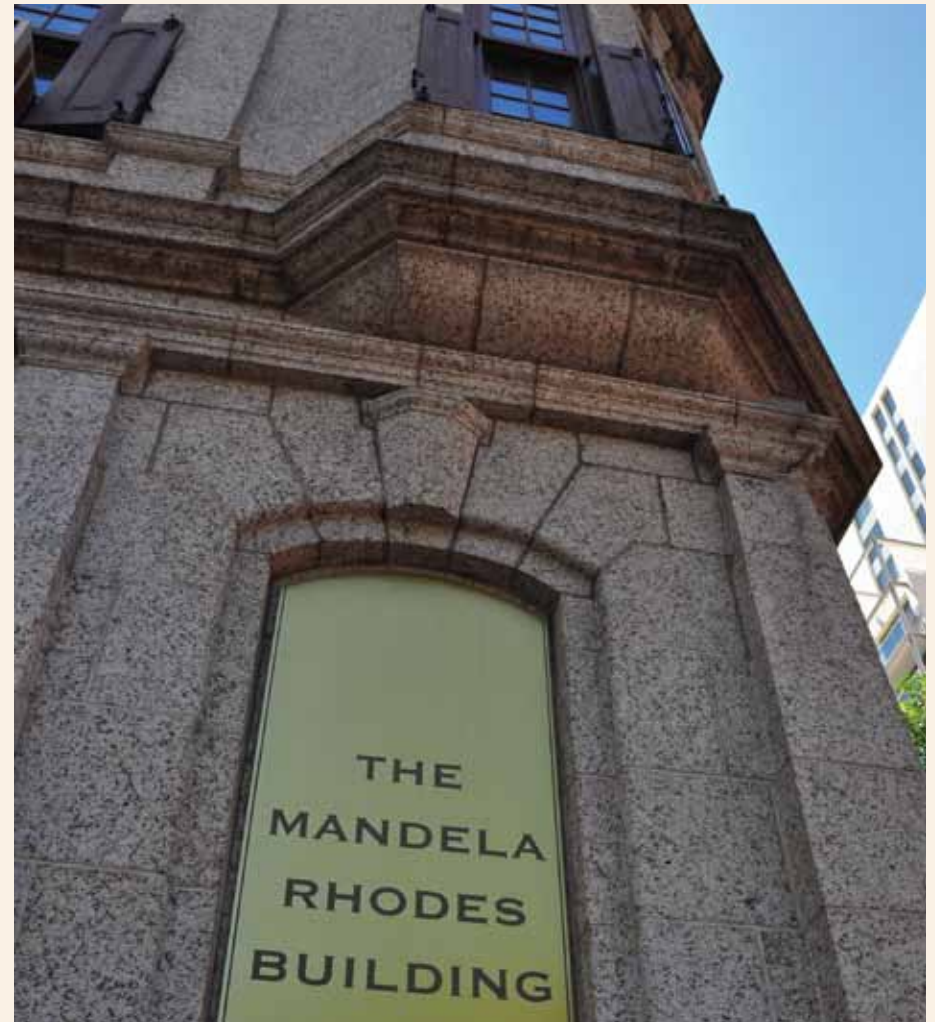
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From the first strategy plan of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation

‘The central purpose of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is to build exceptional leadership capacity in Africa through its programmes.

‘The Mandela Rhodes programmes will develop individual human skills across African society, to help the continent achieve success and prosperity, and full participation in the global world.

‘The Mandela Rhodes programmes will be unique, measurable, sustainable and economically efficient.’



THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



Meagan
Adriaans



Alinka
Brutsch



Ingrid
Cloete



Rutendo
Dhlwayo



Zilindile
Dlamini



Sicelo
Dlodla



Katherine
Furman



Zerene
Haddad



Christopher
Holdridge



Thembi
Lockett



Tsepang
Majara



Hapiloe
Maranyane



Masasa
Mbangeni



Osmond
Mlonyeni



Khanyisa
Mtombeni



Mark
Mutayoba



Unnel-Teddy
Ngoumandjoka



Siziphiwe
Ngxabi



Siyabulela
Nomoyi



Godfrey
Nzimande



Kershan
Pancham



Elias
Phaahla



Marius
Redelinghuys



Aalyia
Sadruddin



Saskia
Schiel



Nothemba
Silwana



Cano
Ssemakalu



Obediant
Tshabalala

THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2008



Matthew Beetar



Anton Botha



Victor Chikadzi



Nobulali Dangazele



Lionel Faull



Thandeka Hlengwa



Llewellyn Howes



Simangele Mabena



Lawrence Mashimbye



Christopher McConnachie



Zdena Mtetwa



Cynthia Mutabaazi



Lindokuhle Nkosi



Garikai Nyaruwata



Chipateni Nyirenda



Suntosh Pillay



Tinotenda Sachikonye



Marea Sing



Kim Smith



Demaine Solomons



Bronwyn Tarr



Thabang Tlaka



Mashilo Tshehla

ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAMME

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarships, flagship programme of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, a partnership between Mr Mandela and the Rhodes Trust, constitute much more than just a bursary scheme. Though the costs of Scholars are generously covered during their period of study, a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship offers young Africans who show academic prowess and broader leadership potential an opportunity which is unique on the continent.

Those elected to a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship complete a postgraduate degree at Honours or Masters level (or their equivalents), while simultaneously participating in a customised leadership development programme devised for each cohort under the guidance of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation's Scholarships Manager. This includes attendance at special leadership development workshops, fully funded by the Foundation.

On page 20 of this Yearbook we set out the *Characteristics Sought in a Mandela Rhodes Scholar*, which guide the nomination and selection process. For more details about this process, please visit our website www.mandelarhodes.org.

On pages 22 – 48 we introduce more fully the 123 young Africans who have made up the first six cohorts of Mandela Rhodes Scholars: the Classes of 2005 – 2010, with special emphasis on the Class of 2009.

THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2005 – 2007

CLASS OF 2007



Tristram
Atkins



Marlon
Burgess



Rumbidzai
Goredema



Bryony
Green



Graeme
Hoddinott



Aalia
Ismail



Leanne
Johansson



Ayanda
Khala



Nyika
Machenjedge



Boitumelo
Magolego



David
Maimela



Clement
Mogodi-Tjale



Rikus
Oswald



Lunga
Radebe



Judy
Sikuza



Daphney
Singo



Jeremias
Sitori



Cebile
Tebele



Sheetal
Vallabh



Buhle
Zuma

CLASS OF 2006



Rachel
Adams



Nyasha
Chigwamba



Zethu
Dlamini



Chet
Fransch



Tristan
Gögrens



Janet
Jobson



Pie-Pacifique
Kabalira-Uwase



Thando
Mgqolozana



Nonkululeko
Ngidi



Melika
Singh



Nkazi
Sokhulu



Vincent
van Bever Donker



Piet
van Rooyen



Luzelle
Yon



Bongumusa
Zuma

CLASS OF 2005



Julia
Cloete



Jacques
Conradie



Buntu
Godongwana



Sizwe
Mjijiza



Hanru
Niemand



Riaan
Oppelt



Sirika
Pillay



Alex
Salo

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Professor GJ Gerwel

It was during the centenary year of the Rhodes Trust that the idea of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation as a new partnership between Nelson Mandela and the custodians of the world famous Rhodes Scholarships was conceived. There is still a very long way to go before the MRF reaches its own century milestone, but one can truly say that in the seven intervening years it has grown and matured into a solidly established institution, recognised and acknowledged as an important player on the leadership development and educational scene in South Africa and increasingly on the African continent. Founding Patron Nelson Mandela turns 92 in 2010 – much closer to the centenary mark! – and he often expresses his appreciation for what is being achieved by The Mandela Rhodes Foundation. His emphasis on education as the most important driver of social and personal development is well known; an initiative like this in his name honours his legacy in practice and performance. It is an honour indeed that he has made it known how much he cherishes The Mandela Rhodes Foundation in the family of organisations founded by him and operating in his name.

Mr Mandela has, as is by now well known, retired from active public life and handed over to these organisations – principally the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and The Mandela Rhodes

Foundation – the task of continuing and carrying forward the work he regards as central to his lifelong mission of helping to make the world a better place. We can take pride in his acknowledgement of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation as a central pillar in the architecture of his legacy. In spite of his advanced age and desire to peacefully enjoy his retirement, he has agreed – and enthusiastically so – to meet with the new incoming cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars each year. He has done this since the inception of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme and his eagerness to continue the practice inspires Scholars present and past, as well as all involved in The Mandela Rhodes Foundation.

We know from our continuous interaction with them through, amongst others, our Board and Committee structures, that the Rhodes Trust shares the Patron's sentiment that their initiative has borne fruit in a very short space of time. The involvement as MRF founding partner of the Rhodes Trust and its century and more of proven accomplishment, not only adds prestige to our initiative but serves as an inspirational benchmark in many ways. We may be a relatively young organisation still, but we are guided by what the Rhodes Trust and Nelson Mandela have done to show us the way, and we are hugely encouraged by their approval of what their young offspring has modestly achieved thus far.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The achievements of centuries come through those of each year, by each year. This year on which we are reporting in this annual review was in many respects one of the most testing ones, not only for philanthropic organisations like ours but for virtually all citizens and institutions. A lesson learnt by many businesses, companies, organisations and institutions during these depressed economic times and global financial crises is the validity of the old adage that it is an ill wind that blows nobody any good. All were forced to take stock, assess costs and benefits, reflect on scale and scope, examine what was core and non-core, rationalise and refocus. At The Mandela Rhodes Foundation we were in any case, and sometimes fortuitously, going through a process of re-evaluation and reassessment. The global financial downturn and its effects, on which we reported in the last Yearbook, caused us to more urgently do that reflection and re-examination. Out of that came a rejuvenated organisation, building on its solid foundations and experiences, to advance into a next phase of institution-building and service delivery. All of this is reported on in the pages that follow.

For the Board, governance and the exercise of our fiduciary duties remain paramount concerns. I have the pleasure to report that although it is very small in staffing terms, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation continues to be an exemplary organisation with regard to corporate governance and observance of best practice. The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees meets monthly – as from inception – to receive reports from management, to provide guidance and to exercise oversight. In addition we have excellent subcommittees, chaired by independent and external experts.

To the Chief Executive Officer, Shaun Johnson, and his team: our deepest appreciation for what they have achieved even under the most challenging of circumstances. They have built The Mandela Rhodes Foundation into a leading leadership development and educational agency on the developmental landscape of our continent.

In conclusion, I would like to record my appreciation of the contribution made to the MRF by Sir Colin Lucas,

the Warden of Rhodes House and distinguished former Vice-Chancellor of Oxford, who retired in the course of the year under review. It was a privilege and a pleasure to have him as a Mandela Rhodes Trustee and he shall be missed. However, we have much to look forward to in welcoming on to the Board the new Warden, Rhodes Scholar Dr Donald Markwell. We look forward to 2010 with confidence.



GJ Gerwel
Chairperson
The Mandela Rhodes Foundation
Cape Town

A MESSAGE FROM THE RHODES TRUST



Lord Waldegrave

During this last year, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation and its flagship Scholarships programme really came of age. Good tests of the maturity and vigour of an organisation are how it faces its first bout of rough water, and how it handles the first succession to its founding team members. Plenty of businesses find at this point that life is not so easy. Not the MRF, however! The Foundation has weathered the economic and financial storms in remarkably good order, still winning new donations, although of course at a slightly slower pace; and it has found excellent new people to carry on the work as others have left or retired. This bodes extremely well for the long-term future.

But of course the main test is to be found in the Scholars themselves. Are we getting more applicants, from even more institutions? Are the ideals we set for the Foundation believed to be relevant by outstanding young people in southern Africa? Are we really helping to build the ethically-based leadership for the future which the world needs, reflecting the standards the Patron has set for us?

The last thing the Chief Executive, or we as Trustees, are ever going to be is complacent. But I genuinely believe that we can take pride in the way that outstanding young people have taken the dream we all had six years and more ago and made it a reality by their own commitment and hard work.

I know that Sir Colin Lucas, who has now retired as Warden of Rhodes House and as a Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, hugely valued his association with the Foundation – just as we valued his wise and experienced contribution. His successor, Dr Don Markwell, an Australian Rhodes Scholar, I know looks forward with excitement to his own involvement and to being part of the MRF team and meeting the Scholars.

Once again, on behalf of all the Rhodes Trustees, I offer my warm congratulations to the MRF, with best wishes for the future.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "William Waldegrave". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

William Waldegrave
Chairman
The Rhodes Trust
Oxford

A REVIEW BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE



Shaun Johnson

INTRODUCTION

As was the case for all non-governmental organisations especially – but indeed for the entire world economy generally – 2009 will be remembered as a really challenging, rough-and-tumble year. I am pleased to report that The Mandela Rhodes Foundation emerged in remarkably good shape at the other end, though not without its share of bruises in terms of a much more difficult fund-raising environment, thorough reviews of original growth targets, our largest-ever cohort of Scholars, unprecedented staff turnover, and myriad other unexpected hurdles to negotiate. It was certainly different from the relative ‘plain sailing’ of the first years of the MRF!

But as the MRF staff we are well aware that we are extremely fortunate to be part of an organisation which, while it might have needed to slow down its exponential rate of growth for a while, is able to treat this as a consolidation period, rather than one of contraction or retreat. While we are prudently controlling our discretionary costs, as every organisation must in recessionary times especially, we have not been forced to reduce our Scholar numbers, or to resort to staff retrenchments; we are lucky indeed.

OVERVIEW

We had 35 Mandela Rhodes Scholars ‘in residence’ in 2009, made up of 28 new Scholars and seven whose degrees carried them over into a second year. The leadership development workshops were implemented, and the Class of 2009 ended the year on a high note with their completion gathering near Grahamstown, which was followed immediately by a highly successful conference organised at Rhodes University by the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars.

The Foundation’s preserved Scholarships endowment funds continued to grow most encouragingly, though of course not at the exceptional rate of 2008.

The multi-year partnerships with The Leverhulme Trust, and Oxford University Press Southern Africa, proved especially valuable in seeing us through this volatile year. There was also extraordinary support, reported on elsewhere in this Yearbook, from the Friends of the MRF USA. In addition to our founding partner, the Rhodes Trust – without whom there would be no MRF – and those partners mentioned who have established new Scholarships, the MRF continued to benefit from the support given by the Nelson Mandela Legacy Trust UK, the government of Norway, and the other valued donors and friends listed on pages 49 – 51 of this Yearbook.

The MRF enjoyed making use of the Bishops court facility for the Scholarships programme, and in addition to it being used most successfully for a variety of Scholarships-related functions, a happy tradition has begun whereby it hosts the final selection committee interviews for the next year’s cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars.

GROWTH OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAMME

The Scholarships programme is reported on in detail elsewhere in the Yearbook, but the key statistics are that the number of qualified candidates nominated annually has grown from just more than 20 for 2005 to well over 100 for 2010; the number of candidates shortlisted has grown from 13 to 40 in the same period; and the number

GROWTH OF THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS

of Scholars elected annually has risen from eight in the inaugural year to 29 for the 2010 cohort.

Thus 123 Mandela Rhodes Scholarships had been awarded by the end of 2009. We are very sad, however, to have to report the untimely death in a car accident in her native Kenya of 2010 Mandela Rhodes Scholar Krishna Khetia, who passed away before being able to take up her Scholarship.

The Scholar-driven alumni association, the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars, continues to flourish, and the quality, diversity and performance of the Scholars remains remarkable (see feedback from and updates on the Mandela Rhodes Scholars on pages 22 – 44).

STATE OF THE ORGANISATION

Although the organisation faced unforeseen challenges in the year under review, along with the anticipated retirement of Scholarships Manager Rejoice Ngongo, it was a source of great pride to the MRF that we could attract a candidate of the calibre of Theresa Laaka-Daniels to lead the programme, and that Sharel Ntisa and Pumeza Maxakatho could be promoted to larger roles within Scholarships. With new General Manager Donovan Brinders in place from the beginning of the year, we were able to mould the new team quickly, and of course we could continue to rely on the experience and expertise of Pam Barron and Julia Brown in the Chairperson's and CEO's offices respectively. Shirley Naidu continued to look after Bishops court and we welcomed Vivien Sebastian to manage our reception.

In addition we were extremely fortunate that developmental expert, Rhodes Scholar and long-time Mandela Rhodes Scholarships selector Margie Keeton agreed to my request to conduct a review of the efficacy of the Scholarships programme after five years. Her report is proving very useful to Theresa as she finalises, hones and implements her plans for the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships as they enter a new phase under her leadership.

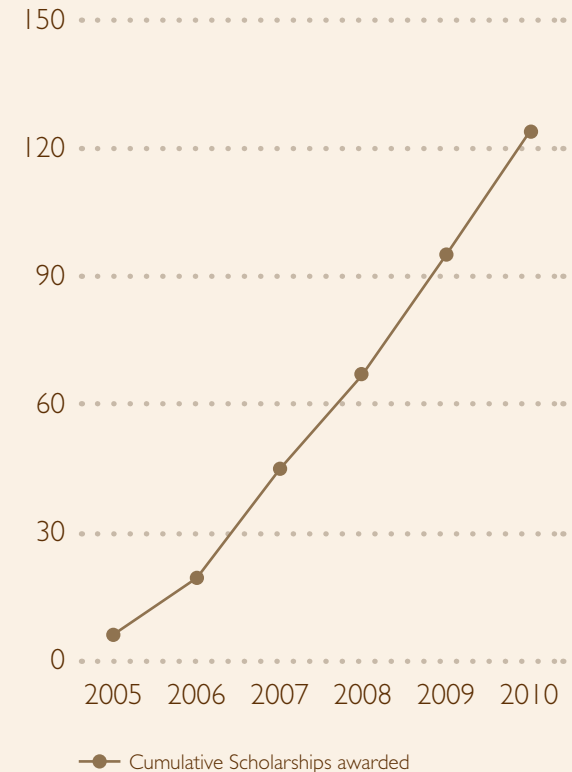
Governance standards at The Mandela Rhodes Foundation remain high, with focused oversight by expert, committed and active committees.

CONCLUSION

As was predicted in Yearbook 2008, 2009 turned out to be a challenging year on fronts both expected and unexpected, and I am extremely grateful to my committed colleagues, who carried us through in such good shape to face 2010. And as always I also thank sincerely our founding partners, Chair, Board of Trustees, committees and donors and supporters for making it possible for us to continue to offer unique leadership development and educational opportunities to excellent, ethical future leaders of our continent – and to keep building an institution of which Africa can be proud.



Shaun Johnson
Chief Executive
The Mandela Rhodes Foundation
Cape Town



THE MANDELA RHODES TRUSTEES

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is a charitable trust with the registration number IT5164/2003. It is governed by an independent Board of Trustees in terms of a Notarial Deed of Trust. Trust information is contained in the Financial Results on pages 53 – 60 of this Yearbook. During 2009 the members of the Board of Trustees were:



Members of the Board of Trustees pictured in the foyer of the Mandela Rhodes Building in March 2009, with the bust of the Patron, Mr Nelson Mandela.



Insets: Justice Yvonne Mokgoro and Professor Njabulo Ndebele

Professor GJ Gerwel
(Chairperson)
Mandela Nominee

Jakes Gerwel was Director-General in President Mandela's office from 1994 to 1999. He holds leading positions in a wide range of companies, and is Chancellor of Rhodes University. He holds honorary professorships at UWC and at the University of Pretoria. Professor Gerwel has been the founding Chairperson of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

Justice Yvonne Mokgoro
Mandela Nominee

Yvonne Mokgoro was a long-serving Constitutional Court judge, retiring from the court in 2009. She serves on many boards, University Councils, trusts, and law bodies. She has taught Law at South African, British, American and Dutch universities, and she holds five honorary Professorships. Justice Mokgoro has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

The Rt Hon Lord Fellowes
GCB GCVO QSO
Rhodes Trust Nominee

Robert Fellowes is a member of the House of Lords, and was Chairman of Barclays Private Bank in London. He served the Queen as Assistant, Deputy & Private Secretary for 22 years. He is a Rhodes Trustee, a director of SABMiller, and serves on several foundations. Lord Fellowes has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

Professor Njabulo Ndebele
Mandela Nominee

Njabulo Ndebele was Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town. Before that he held high office at the Universities of the North, Witwatersrand, Lesotho, and the Western Cape. An award-winning author, he has been the recipient of several honorary doctorates and fellowships over a number of years. Professor Ndebele has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

Sir Colin Lucas
Rhodes Trust Nominee

Colin Lucas was Rhodes Trust Secretary and Warden of Rhodes House. Prior to that he was Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University. He held senior positions at the Universities of Sheffield, Manchester and Chicago. He has served on higher education committees in several countries, and chairs the British Library. Sir Colin retired as a Trustee of the MRF in July 2009.

Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson
Rhodes Trust Nominee

Julian Ogilvie Thompson recently retired as a Director of De Beers SA. A Rhodes Scholar, he joined Anglo American Corporation and became Chairman of Minorco, of De Beers, of Anglo American Corporation, and of Anglo American plc. He was Vice Chairman of the Urban Foundation and Director of the National Business initiative. He has been a founding MRF Trustee since 2003.

The Hon Mrs Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka
Mandela Nominee

Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka was elected a Member of Parliament in South Africa's first democratic elections in 1994. She held a variety of senior African National Congress and government posts, including that of Deputy President of the Republic of South Africa; the first woman to do so. Mrs Mlambo-Ngcuka has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

The Rt Hon Lord Waldegrave of North Hill
Rhodes Trust Nominee

William Waldegrave is the Provost of Eton College in the United Kingdom. He was a Vice Chairman of UBS Investment Bank, and was formerly a senior Cabinet Minister in the UK. He was a Member of Parliament for two decades. He is Chairman of the Rhodes Trust, the National Museum of Science and Industry, and has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

THE MANDELA RHODES COMMITTEES AND STAFF

Executive Committee
Professor GJ Gerwel (Chair)



Mr Shaun Johnson
Professor Njabulo Ndebele
Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson
Lord Waldegrave

Finance/Audit/Risk Committee
Mr Mustaq Brey (Chair)



Mr Tim Cumming
Professor GJ Gerwel
Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson

Investment Committee
Mr Tim Cumming (Chair)



Professor GJ Gerwel
Mr Shaun Johnson
Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson

Remuneration Committee
Professor GJ Gerwel (Chair)

Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson

THE MANDELA RHODES STAFF

At the conclusion of the year under review the staff complement of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation was nine. The staff, pictured here in the boardroom at the Mandela Rhodes Building in central Cape Town, were (from left to right):

Pumeza Maxakatho (*Nominations and Selection Co-ordinator*)

Donovan Brinders (*General Manager*)

Shaun Johnson (*Chief Executive*)

Shirley Naidu (*Resident Manageress, Bishopscourt*)

Pam Barron (*Executive Assistant in the Office of the Chair; Property Manager*)

Sharel Ntisa (*Scholarships Administrator*)

Theresa Laaka-Daniels (*Scholarships Manager*)

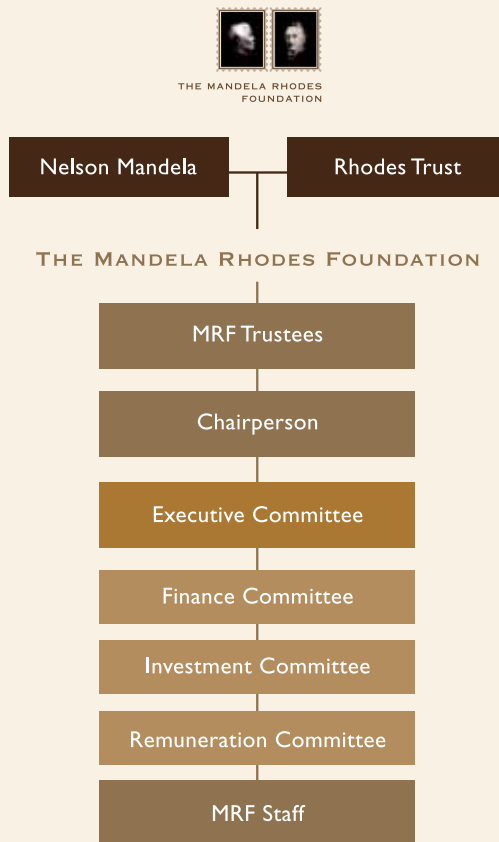
Vivien Sebastian (*Reception Manager*)

Julia Brown (*Executive Assistant in the Office of the CEO; HR Officer*)

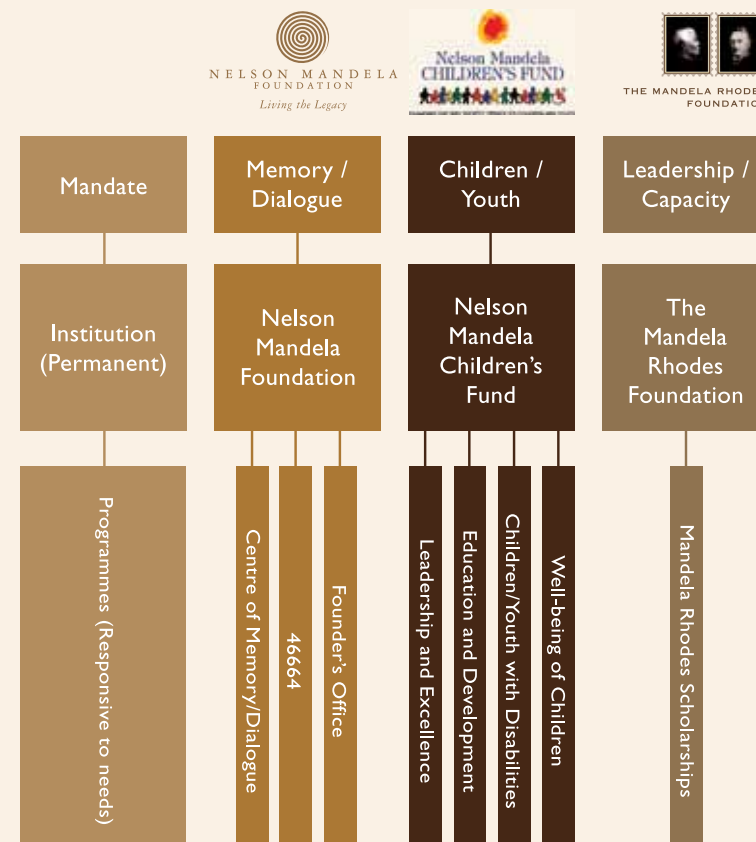


ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURES

THE MRF



THE MANDELA CHARITIES



MILESTONES OF THE MANDELA RHODES FOUNDATION 2009

The year 2009 saw the arrival of the fifth cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars – the Class of 2009. As has become a tradition in The Mandela Rhodes Foundation's annual Yearbook, the following pages capture chronologically the events of the year in pictorial form, chronicling the moments that defined the experience of this cohort of Scholars.

The images begin with a welcoming event in Cape Town at the end of 2008, followed by the milestones that made up 2009.

DECEMBER 2008

MEETING THE PATRON

The Class of 2009 gathers as a group for the first time at a seaside event in Cape Town where they are introduced to the Patron, Mr Mandela. The introductions are followed by a luncheon at which spectacular summer weather adds to the excitement as the members of the new cohort begin to get to know one another, as well as meeting the staff of the MRF.



DECEMBER 2008

THE WELCOMING EVENT

Having been presented to Mr Mandela at the welcoming function on December 12, the new Mandela Rhodes Scholars later enjoy the opportunity to introduce themselves individually to one another, and to The Mandela Rhodes Foundation staff who are also in attendance. Scholars and staff relax on the lawn and discuss what the year ahead might hold in store.



JANUARY 2009

LAUNCH OF THE CLASS OF 2009

Institutions of higher learning across South Africa react with delight to the successful candidacies of those of their students chosen as Mandela Rhodes Scholars, and there is widespread interest in the Class of 2009. Several new Mandela Rhodes Scholars are featured in personality profiles in their regions of origin, and enquiries about the Scholarship continue to flow in to the Foundation.

Award to The Mandela Rhodes Foundation

The Laureate Business Foundation has awarded the Mandela Rhodes Foundation a grant of R10 million to support the scholarship programme. The award is a testament to the Foundation's commitment to leadership development in Africa and its role in the continent's economic growth.

The award will be used to support the scholarship programme, which is the largest programme of its kind in Africa. It will also be used to support the Foundation's other programmes, including its leadership development and capacity building programmes.

The award was presented to the Foundation's CEO, Mr Ntshona, at a ceremony in Johannesburg. The award was presented by Mr Ntshona, the Foundation's CEO, and Mr Ntshona, the Foundation's CEO.

Mandela Rhodes scholars announced

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation has announced the names of the 2009 Mandela Rhodes Scholars. The scholars are: Khanyisa Mthembu, Tshisa Mthembu, and Tshisa Mthembu. The scholars will be awarded their scholarships in January 2009.

Khanyisa shines, wins scholarship

Khanyisa Mthembu has been awarded the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship. She is a student at the University of Cape Town and is currently studying for a Bachelor of Science degree. She is a member of the University's student body and is a member of the University's student body.

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JANUARY 2009

INTRODUCTORY LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

The 2009 Mandela Rhodes Scholars come together from their institutions all over South Africa for their introductory leadership workshop, held in the Stanford Valley in the Western Cape. The workshop aims to induct the new Scholars into the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships leadership programme before they face the rigours of the upcoming academic year.



MARCH 2009

FUNCTION FOR THE RHODES TRUST

Having enjoyed the hospitality of Rhodes House on many occasions, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is delighted to host a function at Bishopscourt in honour of Sir Colin Lucas. Sir Colin, the distinguished former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford, is retiring after five years as Warden of Rhodes House. Seen with Sir Colin at the function is Rhodes and Mandela Rhodes Trustee Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson.



MARCH 2009

8TH MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES

Members of the Board of Trustees gather in South Africa for the eighth meeting of the Board. Meetings alternate each year between the headquarters of the founding partners: the Mandela Rhodes Building in Cape Town, and Rhodes House in Oxford. In 2009 Trustees took advantage of the opportunity to view the bust of the Patron, commissioned from the respected sculptor Bill Davis by a well-wisher, and donated to the Foundation. It is located in the MRF's foyer.



MARCH 2009

TRUSTEES MEET SCHOLARS

Having concluded their Board meeting, Trustees travel to the Stanford Valley to look in briefly on the Class of 2009 Mandela Rhodes Scholars as they complete their second leadership workshop. Scholars and Mandela Rhodes Foundation Trustees gather on the lawn for a photograph to commemorate the occasion.



MARCH 2009

MARCH LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Members of the Class of 2009 decide to pose for the camera during the March leadership workshop near Stanford. With the members of the group getting to know each other better, the sessions are challenging and intense, and the experience not one to be soon forgotten by all the participants.



APRIL 2009

RHODES SCHOLARS MEET CMRS

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is pleased to provide its Boardroom as a venue for a meeting and discussion between the Community of Mandela Rhodes, led by Chairperson Buhle Zuma, and a delegation from the Rhodes Scholars South African Forum (RSSAF), visiting from the University of Oxford, Rhodes Scholars are briefed about the development of the MRF.



JULY 2009

MATLAPENG AND MAGALIESBURG

The first sessions of the third leadership workshop for the Class of 2009 take place at Matlapeng in Gauteng province. Pictured here, Scholars Meagan Adriaans and Kershan Pancham lead the way on a wilderness path. Having completed their stint at Matlapeng, the cohort of 2009 Scholars was able to revert to more traditional surroundings and complete the mid-year workshop in Magaliesburg.



JULY 2009

MANDELA DAY NEW YORK

As part of the Mandela Day celebratory events in New York City, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation and the Friends of the MRF (USA) are in attendance to represent the organisations. Pictured here at Grand Central Station are Ian Glenday, president of the Friends and his fellow director Trevor Norwitz.



SEPTEMBER 2009

COMPLETING THE YEAR

Members of the Class of 2009 come together at Kariega, near Grahamstown in the Eastern Cape, for the workshop that closes off the year's leadership development programme. In this picture, Mandela Rhodes Scholars of the 2009 cohort participate in an exercise involving work in smaller groups – as well as getting down to the basics of the matter at hand.



SEPTEMBER 2009

SCHOLARSHIPS MANAGER'S FAREWELL

To mark her retirement from the position of Scholarships Manager, and to honour her contribution, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation hosts a farewell luncheon for Rejoice Ngcongco at Bishops court. In addition to Trustees, staff, and guests who have made a range of contributions to the Scholarships programme, Rejoice is delighted to be joined in Cape Town by Scholars Buhle Zuma and Buntu Godongwana.



THE CHARACTERISTICS SOUGHT IN A MANDELA RHODES SCHOLAR

YOUNG AFRICAN

ASPIRE to be a Mandela Rhodes Scholar if you dream of being a leader; a leader in whose blend of character and intellect Africa will take pride.

ASPIRE to this if you believe you have within you the moral force of character and instinct to lead; and understand that leadership is more than personal ambition, it is also service, requiring the will and capacity to inspire and develop fellow human beings to their own excellence;

ASPIRE to this if you believe that the advancement of individual and social fulfilment, human rights, dignity, the achievement of fundamental freedoms, is among the highest of callings;

ASPIRE to this if you believe that hard work is essential, and you esteem the performance of public duties to be among the noblest of aims.

ASPIRE to be a Mandela Rhodes Scholar if you understand education to be both a gift and a tool for the advancement of human development, to the benefit of all.

ASPIRE to this if you value and pursue scholastic attainment, but understand that intellectual excellence is not to be seen in isolation from other qualities of character; that leaders require a roundedness of personality;

ASPIRE to this if you believe that in receiving an exceptional education, an individual embraces a responsibility to foster such opportunities for others;

ASPIRE to this if you believe that your own success might also make a difference to others.

ASPIRE to be a Mandela Rhodes Scholar if you believe in an entrepreneurial spirit to allow Africa to take with dignity its rightful place as an equal and competitive presence in the global world.

ASPIRE to this if you have the vigour to pursue this aim with integrity; and the energy to use your talents to the full, as exemplified by a fondness for and success in team pursuits beyond the confines of your professional career;

ASPIRE to this if you believe that individual human effort, innovation and creativity will lead to the betterment of society and an effective contribution to the world;

ASPIRE to this if you love Africa and all of its peoples.

ASPIRE to be a Mandela Rhodes Scholar if you believe in reconciliation, freedom, peace and prosperity among all human beings, who should share equal citizenship and opportunities in this world.

ASPIRE to this if you believe in being part of creating a humane world in which all individuals and cultures enjoy equal respect; a world whose emergence will say a new order is born in which we are all each other's keepers;

ASPIRE to this if you value truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindness, unselfishness and fellowship;

ASPIRE to be a Mandela Rhodes Scholar if you believe that the past, in all its imperfection, should be harnessed to benefit the present and the future.

The Trustees of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation
Cape Town, South Africa, 2005

THE SELECTION COMMITTEE 2008/2009



The committee to select the 2009 cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars gathers on the terrace at Bishops court. From left to right: Professor Jakes Gerwel (Chair), Mrs Irene Menell, Mr Ahmed Kathrada, Mrs Margie Keeton, Mr Shaun Johnson, Professor Rejoice Ngcongco and Mr Isaac Shongwe

Mandela Rhodes Scholarships are tenable at recognised South African institutions of higher learning, and offer unique educational and leadership development opportunities to talented young Africans who display the potential evoked in the document *Characteristics Sought in a Mandela Rhodes Scholar*, set out on the facing page in this Yearbook. Nominees must hold a first degree, be a citizen of an African country, and be under the age of 30 years at the time of taking up a Scholarship if offered to them.

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme is further distinguished by a rigorous nomination and selection system, co-ordinated by a designated staff member reporting to the Scholarships Manager at the Foundation. The 'search' to 'select' process occurs over several months of each year, and the Foundation benefits from extraordinary co-operation by nominating institutions, and in particular from dedicated liaison persons on the various campuses. The nomination and selection process usually culminates in October of each year, when a selection committee interviews the finalists, and names the Mandela Rhodes Scholars to take up their Scholarships in the new year.

The fifth Mandela Rhodes Scholarships final selection committee (pictured on this page), gathered in Cape Town in early October 2008.

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



MEAGAN ADRIAANS

University of the Western Cape
Masters: English

Meagan was born on 29 August 1985 in Cape Town, South Africa. She is completing her masters studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Beyond academics she is enjoying writing, particularly poetry, as well as cooking and baking. She also had a brief stint as the frontwoman of a rock band. Meagan wants to become involved with literacy programmes, particularly those focused on young children.

'The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has meant many things to me. Meeting and engaging with other Scholars has been extremely valuable – I have learnt so much from my fellow Scholars and the workshops. It has also meant me realising the role I play within a group of diverse individuals. It has made me want to step up and make my voice heard. Very importantly, I feel that strong bonds have been made; ones which I will always cherish and look upon with a smile. I am confident that the skills I have learned while studying and those I have acquired as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar will help me to contribute in some way, in the future. I'm particularly interested in literacy and education and hope to get involved with organisations with similar aims. The workshops were not only challenging, but were a lot of fun too. I think the relationships created will stay with people for the rest of their lives. For this I am truly grateful to The Mandela Rhodes Foundation.'



ALINKA BRUTSCH

Rhodes University
Postgraduate Studies: Journalism and Media

Alinka was born on 14 August 1987 in East London, South Africa. She has completed her postgraduate studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Alinka plans to be in Geneva, Switzerland for a period before deciding on the next step in her career, which could include studies at masters level in the United States of America or elsewhere.

'This Scholarship has meant so many different things to me. I think what I'll remember the most however, is the commitment and passion the staff and mentors showed us. They really love what they do and it has inspired me to study and do the things that I love and am passionate about. I love telling and writing stories and I believe they're a wonderful way to make a difference in society. A good story can inspire people. A good story can make people laugh or cry or both. A great story can mobilise people into action. I hope to write stories that will inspire people to make a difference in their communities and in Africa. From the year I remember dancing with Ma Rejoice; drinking way too much red wine with wonderful friends; perusing the drummer boys with Kath and Ingrid; getting hugs from Kershan; getting stuck in a dodgy boat in the middle of a dam in Stanford; listening to Hapiloe sing; watching Saskia's amazing movie; songs and dances with Marje...'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



INGRID CLOETE

Rhodes University
LLB

Ingrid was born on 21 December 1988 in Pretoria, South Africa. She is completing her LLB degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, at the same time as fuelling her passion for travel, debating and general adventure. Ingrid is also organising workshops in legal education, tutoring legal theory, volunteering at the Rhodes Legal Aid Clinic, and she is secretary of the CMRS.

'I was able for the first time to really get to know myself. To interrogate my ideas, beliefs and values, and come to understand why I hold them. I was expecting a year of intense debate, of intellectualising, of solving Africa's problems. Although these debates did happen (and, wow, were they inspiring), the highlights aren't really intellectual. They are the funny memories, the vivid personalities and common purpose and understanding. The Scholarship has been a process of incredible personal growth, and I have come out confident, energised and inspired. My strongest experience is the incredible friendships I have formed. I have come away with my own life so enriched by the lives of such talented, inspiring and real people. Some of my highlights include solving Africa's problems at 2 a.m. over 'tea'; being made to laugh by my wonderful mentor ... and running around with Kershan, pretending to be an ostrich. This year has opened my eyes to new possibilities.'



RUTENDO DHLIWAYO

University of Fort Hare
Honours: Economics

Rutendo was born on 3 January 1985 in Zvishavane, Zimbabwe. She is completing her honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, and is currently looking for a job that will allow her to pursue her masters studies part time. Rutendo has also developed an interest in social entrepreneurship and would like to be actively involved in projects in this arena in future.

'The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has helped me to fulfil my dream of completing an Economics Honours degree. But the Scholarship is more than just that. It actually comprises a community of talented and passionate Scholars from all over Africa who share the purpose of realising the African dream of becoming an economically independent and democratic continent. One of my objectives, as a budding economist, is to be instrumental in developing African economies. I believe this can be achieved through effective economic policy formulation and implementation that empowers the people of Africa. It was an honour to meet and chat with the Patron, Tata Mandela, especially since we share the same Alma Mater! It was also a privilege to be part of an amazing group of purpose-driven young leaders who were very encouraging and inspirational throughout the time of my Mandela Rhodes Scholarship.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



ZILINDILE DLAMINI

University of Zululand
Honours: Economics

Zilindile was born on 9 September 1985 in Hlatikulu, Swaziland. She is completing her honours studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Zilindile has been concentrating primarily on her academics, especially examinations and research, after which she will begin to give thought to entering the wide world of work, and looking for a job!

'From this year I will remember especially the excitement I felt when it was time for the retreats, which compensated for all the work of exams and literature reviews! It was a refreshing break from my school environment. I liked the debates that were evoked among the Scholars because they changed the way I looked at certain situations in life, and in other instances I became more confident in my individualism. In future I plan to concentrate more on social entrepreneurship projects back home in Swaziland, and would like to continue studying if it is possible to balance this with other plans. For me the highlights of the year were all the times we met as the 2009 cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars in the leadership workshops, when we all found comfort and encouragement in each other. Even though it was a challenging year, we bonded because we were together.'



KATHERINE FURMAN

Rhodes University
Masters: Political and International Studies

Katherine was born on 7 March 1987 in Grahamstown, South Africa. She is completing her masters studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, and doing collaborative research with her supervisor on ubuntu, which will eventually be developed into co-authored articles. Katherine's spare time is devoted to painting as she follows her dream of becoming an artist.

'The most meaningful aspect of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has been the people I have met as part of the process. The 2009 Scholars are an inspiring group and I am grateful for the friendships I have developed. My life is significantly richer for the relationships that have been fostered. In the long term I see myself entering the realm of higher education in South Africa. I want to work towards extending the resources of the university beyond academia and into the community at large. I believe that if South African higher education can be meaningfully transformed, this can spark change in all areas of society. A highlight of my time as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar was attending the ISAPS conference in Senegal. This would not have been possible without the support of the MRF. I also thoroughly enjoyed being part of the team that hosted the CMRS AGM in Grahamstown.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



SICELO DLUDLA

University of Zululand
Honours: Agriculture

Sicelo was born on 15 July 1986 in Melmoth, South Africa. He has completed his honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, and is working as a research assistant at the Agricultural Research Council in Pretoria and assisting as a research fellow at the University of Zululand. Sicelo is also chairperson of the Reach-Out campaign aiming to empower rural people with agricultural skills.

'This has been a year of change and of great things for me. Being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar allowed me to change my perceptions, self-image, sense of self-worth and self-esteem. I have grown from every angle by being around great young and older leaders of Africa. They nurtured and stimulated the true potential within me, which was hidden to my eyes. This has been made possible by The Mandela Rhodes Foundation. In every leader I met in the workshops I saw change in Africa and a bright future. I am planning to continue towards my masters studies and to spread my research in rural areas. Shaking hands with Tata Nelson Mandela, remains an outstanding highlight and the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship is a miracle on its own!'



ZERENE HADDAD

University of Cape Town
Honours: Historical Studies

Zerene was born on 19 September 1985 in Harare, Zimbabwe. She has completed her honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar and is indulging her love of languages, planning to go to Syria to study Arabic, as well as to volunteer for Jesuit Refugee Services in Damascus. Currently she is a research assistant at UCT, and will help run an orientation programme.

'Being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar changed my sense of self, and a sense of my place in the world, irrevocably. The Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme is anything but a walk in the park, yet it is ever-constant in its commitment to us as Scholars. Rather than causing any dramatic changes, it is the small things, and the spirit that is unique to each Mandela Rhodes cohort, which slowly shaped me. For the people who shared the start of this journey with me, there are not enough words to encapsulate how they inspire me to reach further and be bolder in all spheres of my life. The essential lesson I take from this year and from my involvement with The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, is that it is our duty to humanity to call forth leadership in its many forms in all people.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



CHRISTOPHER HOLDRIDGE

University of Cape Town
Masters: Historical Studies

Christopher was born on 31 October 1985 in Cape Town, South Africa. He is completing his masters degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, and is involved in university debating, including adjudication and development among school learners, and facilitating engagement among postgraduate students in the Department of Historical Studies at UCT.

'My interaction with fellow Scholars, MRF staff and mentors during the past year has made me aware of the immense and unique potential within each person to contribute to the betterment of our society. The greatest weapon against Afro-pessimism is individual and collective positive action, an engaged commitment to the public good. The Scholarship has made me aware of the distinct power I hold within me to contribute to the growth of South Africa and the continent. Historical debate can play a positive role in the African Renaissance, and I hope to draw on my passion for studying the colonial past to pursue not only scholarly work, but also to engage in public historical debates and encourage others to interrogate the meanings of the past. Meeting former president and Nobel Laureate Nelson Mandela was a highlight of my year; also the retreat in the Magaliesburg, the shared laughs, singing sessions, tea parties and debates with Scholars.'



THEMBI LUCKETT

University of Cape Town
MPhil: Social Justice

Thembi was born on 14 February 1986 in Cape Town, South Africa. She will complete her MPhil degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, but is currently undertaking a Master of Arts in Social and Political Thought at the University of Sussex. Thembi is interested in continental philosophy and critical theory, as well as labour movements and freedom struggles.

'The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has provided an opportunity for me to develop and deepen my critical understanding of society. I have been able to interact with a diversity of critically engaged peers, explore ideas and deepen my hope and vision for emancipatory social relations. I see my future role in South Africa as one which is sensitive to the pain, hopes and dreams of those around me. I see myself as being part of a collective process of creating social, political and economic relations that enable the full development of human potentialities. This may sound like an almost impossible task but I believe that through collective action, we can come closer to the realisation of freedom in concrete human relations – this is a hope that must be collectively shared and built against forces which deny it. My highlight as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar has been the amazing opportunity of meeting and making friends with passionate, inspiring and inspired peers.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



TSEPANG MAJARA

University of Fort Hare
Masters: Psychology

Tsepang was born on 24 November 1982 in Mokhetsoaneng, Lesotho. He is completing his studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar and will do his internship this year. His particular focus is the promotion of social entrepreneurship through collaborative initiatives, and he is founder and co-ordinator of the Lesotho Career Expo. Tsepang is Project Officer of the CMRS.

'The Scholarship has afforded me access to the most amazing networks and opportunities with the best young African leaders of the new generation. I am speechless as I remember where I have journeyed from to here. Truly, each moment of my life, I need to say: Kea leboha – thank you, Mandela Rhodes Foundation. I see myself in future as a catalyst in creating opportunities through four areas of my calling: leadership, communication, creating systems, and networking. The old saying has it that charity begins at home, and I now need to start serving my country, then the Southern African Development Community, then Africa, and finally the global village. My highlights were shaking hands with Nelson Mandela, with the Trustees, and being in such a special group. And I am very proud to be the first Mandela Rhodes Scholar from Lesotho.'



HAPILOE MARANYANE

University of Cape Town
Masters: Medical Biochemistry

Hapiloe was born on 1 January 1987 in Maseru, Lesotho. She is completing her masters studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, and says she is in the process of loving life with all its colour. Before she embarks on the next part of her career, she is enjoying long walks, ice cream, friends and laughter, singing and prayer.

'The Scholarship has been an eye-opener: it was a real blessing to have met so many different people with different ways of thinking and yet all brought together by a common goal to make Africa what it is destined to be. I see my future as an ambassador for truth and love where I might find my place; for example education, public health, governance and family, and I aim to promote peace and justice. There have been so many highlights: from our vulnerable moments when we shared all our narratives and life lessons, to artistic expression in all its forms – fine art, singing, dancing, and going crazy over the food and drink, to indulging in deep meaningful dialogue. All this while learning that there's never one perspective when two or more heads are involved.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



MASASA MBANGENI

University of the Witwatersrand
Honours: Dramatic Arts

Masasa was born on 6 March 1987 in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. She has completed her honours studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Masasa is enjoying having brought to a close this phase of her studies but says she is not relaxing completely, as she is involved in the shooting of a show for eTV and considering other plans.

'Receiving the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship reignited my passion for learning. The programme allowed me to meet other young African leaders dedicated to the development and empowerment of our beautiful continent. It also let me reimagine my role as a future leader and supported a vision far greater than my own personal goals. I aim to practise a transformative form of leadership. I am so excited to be a part of this amazing family of young Scholars. I hope to use theatre and the arts to highlight social causes. My journey was akin to riding the scariest rollercoaster at an amusement park. It challenged and brought me so much joy. With the MRF's support I discovered facets of myself I never knew existed. I will carry this experience with me for the rest of my life. I'm so happy I aspired to be a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. What a great journey.'



OSMOND MLONYENI

University of Pretoria
Masters: Genetics

Osmond was born on 27 April 1985 in Kimberley, South Africa. He is completing his masters studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar and preparing a paper for a genetics department symposium. Osmond serves as president of the Postgraduate Student Association of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, and hopes to continue his academic studies at PhD level in due course.

'Meeting former President Mandela was a highlight of my experience as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. His being, humility and wisdom remind one of the task that still lies ahead. What also stood out were the leadership retreats and the dynamism among Scholars. I had the opportunity to learn from and with peers, to constructively interact with a diversity of schools of thoughts, and to draw from the insight of the MRF family. I made friendships I value very much. This has been more than just a scholarship. The MRF has been a guardian, mentor, educator, reconciler and hub for visionaries. It has reinforced the importance of a shared vision, enriched my understanding of dedication, taught me the important role that objective reflection plays, in correction and renewal, and planted a seed for shared responsibility towards humanity.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



KHANYISA MTOMBENI

University of the Western Cape
Honours: Finance

Khanyisa was born on 1 March 1985 in Cape Town, South Africa. He completed his honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar and is preparing to join a graduate trainee programme at JP Morgan. In the meantime he is enjoying walks, conversations with friends and chilling out. He spoke at the Dinokeng Scenarios conference, and is helping friends set up small businesses.

'My year as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar was a great success. I felt truly involved with the Foundation as part of the 2009 cohort and as a Western Cape representative in the CMRS. The time spent with the MRF laid a new platform for me towards bigger achievements in all spheres of my life: family-wise, career-wise, spiritually, and in terms of relationships. The highlight was meeting a group of people who had priorities, interests, goals, abilities, concerns and backgrounds different from mine. Now the time has come for me to make the transition from student to industry professional. My role in Africa will be diverse and my contributions will be based on what I find most interesting and am most passionate about. It is likely I will be involved in business and commerce and will contribute to the economic development of the continent. I am also passionate about education, entrepreneurship and environmental protection.'



MARK MUTAYOBA

Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University
Honours: Economics

Mark was born on 8 December 1980 in Mwadui, Tanzania. He is completing his honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Beyond academics, he says, and as a result of his experience as a Scholar, he is committed with renewed energy to making his mark as a good citizen and a leader whose potential is turned into measurable reality.

'Indeed, being elected as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar and then being a member of the Class of 2009 has made for the greatest of all years in my personal development as an aspiring leader and a good citizen. People that I met, in my own cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars and from previous cohorts – everyone at The Mandela Rhodes Foundation and the inspiring guest speakers – have facilitated a process of connecting my outer self with my inner being. Sometimes people need reassurance that what needs to be done for humanity, can be done – and this year I got that reassurance, for sure. I see my future role in Africa as one that utilises the skills and knowledge now embodied in me to educate, help, serve and inspire my fellow Africans. The most remarkable highlight for me is the vision that The Mandela Rhodes Foundation holds, and its determination to extend it around the continent, not just in South Africa.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



UNNEL-TEDDY NGOUMANDJOKA

Monash

Honours: Computing

Teddy was born on 25 June 1985 in Libreville, Gabon. He completed his honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, and is taking a break while awaiting his final academic results. Teddy is looking forward to a soccer competition which will bring together Gabonese citizens in South Africa, ahead of starting his masters studies in Science at the University of the Witwatersrand.

'Words cannot describe how enriching the experience of being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar has been for me since I embarked on this journey in December 2008 along with 27 amazing individuals. The Mandela Rhodes leadership development workshops have equipped me with tools and skills to grow stronger in my leadership capabilities, to the extent that I can say with confidence that I am a changed person today. I have learnt that one can just remain oneself to bring about the change that he or she wants to see; and sharing this journey with extraordinary African siblings reminds me every day that I am not alone. Receiving the award of excellence for the degree I pursued, combined with completing the Mandela Rhodes leadership development workshops, were the highlights of the best year so far in my life. I am very grateful to the MRF.'



SIZIPHIWE NGXABI

University of Zululand

Honours: Economics

Siziphiwe was born on 1 August 1988 in Mount Ayliff, South Africa. She is in the process of completing her honours studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Thereafter she has secured employment at the Standard Bank's head office in Johannesburg. Siziphiwe says she is looking forward to putting her qualifications 'to work'.

'The Scholarship has meant that I have had an opportunity to make a difference by being principled, goal-driven and, most importantly, having a vision to follow through. It has renewed the promise that we, the youth, are the future generation to propel transformation and seek new ways of doing things. The role of women is increasingly recognised in their abilities to provide alternatives, which is where I see my input: ensuring that human rights and equality for African citizens is achieved. I also see a role in removing the misconceptions that the world often has about Africa. Being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar is a remarkable experience that opens up a world not easily found in the society we live in. The highlights include the vast experience and knowledge one gains from having access to other leaders with a similar vision and a passion to facilitate transformation in our society.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



SIYABULELA NOMOYI

Rhodes University

Honours: Mathematical Statistics and Pure Mathematics

Siyabulela was born on 11 May 1987 in Grahamstown, South Africa. He is in the process of completing his joint honours degree studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Siyabulela chaired the house committee at his university residence. He hopes to study further, at masters level, before entering the world of work.

'Being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar has been a great education for me, and the experience has contributed to my development both socially and academically. It has challenged me, has taught me to think more critically, to be more innovative, to participate in social issues and – best of all – to implement ideas. I see myself as part of a great circle of leaders who are creating a network that spans Africa. We can make use of one another's skills to develop the continent, and bring a better life to Africans. The leadership development workshops taught me a lot, something that I will always cherish. To be in the same room with people that come from such different backgrounds and cultures, but have the same vision for Africa and its people, has been a remarkable experience. And meeting Tata Madiba will never be forgotten, of course.'



GODFREY NZIMANDE

University of Cape Town

Honours: Accounting

Godfrey was born on 2 January 1985 in Durban, South Africa. He is completing his honours studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. His professional aim is to be a qualified chartered accountant, but he is also interested in community development. Godfrey's hope is to contribute to progressive change, even if in a modest way.

'I will cherish being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar for the rest of my life. It has introduced me to the four principles of leadership, education, reconciliation and entrepreneurship, and made it more possible for my goals to be achievable for the benefit of this continent. I am inspired and motivated to be a better servant to society. I think I could become an influential person in Africa by helping to ensure that the community is empowered through education. I would like one day to open a business based on the principles of the MRF! This was a year full of possibilities and lessons. I was inspired and challenged by the stories and experiences we shared as Scholars, and built networks where I shared ideas with other Scholars from different countries. And meeting Mr Mandela in person was a major motivation and lifetime achievement I will forever cherish.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



KERSHAN PANCHAM

AFDA

Honours: Motion Picture Medium

Kershan was born on 26 August 1984 in Durban, South Africa. He has completed his honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. He is pursuing his interest in writing and is busy marketing and distributing his current film to vendors, festivals and prospective investors, and hopes one day to be able to open a spiritual healing practice.

'The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has meant a journey, a journey of self-discovery, delving into depths of my personality and leadership and presence that have not come to the surface before. It has been a space in which I can interact and share possibilities for life, learning and growth. It has helped me to be more honest with myself and to recognise that I am capable beyond my own perceptions. I want to help people, communities and families heal and come together. I wish to heal through my storytelling, my spiritual healing and my presence as a mentor-figure in relevant spheres. A highlight of the year has been the support offered by the Foundation and its team. This process and space really helps one to unfold in a very encouraging way that is not readily available elsewhere. The techniques I've learnt through my time as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar have fed the fire and passion in me to intimately help people in my own ways. It has given me the confidence to just be me, and follow my heart.'



ELIAS PHAAHLA

University of Stellenbosch

Masters: International Relations

Elias was born on 6 September 1986 in Limpopo, South Africa. He has completed his masters studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Elias plans to read for a PhD, and is interested in an academic assessment of the politics of welfare and social justice in South Africa and Mauritius. He hopes for an eventual career in research.

'Receiving the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship was a great privilege. How I wish being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar was a birthright that all Africans might enjoy! Given his impeccable credentials it is both thrilling and humbling to be associated with Nelson Mandela. I have a passion for academia and social and economic research – particularly the politics of distribution and social justice – and I am looking forward to teaching and scrutinising public policy, thus keeping governments on their toes. I cherish academic independence in South Africa and Africa and see a need for a generation of leaders that will not settle for second-grade in leadership. The time is ripe to make our voices heard without fear of retribution, and I believe that academia serves as one of the most effective mediums to do so. A highlight of my Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has been learning from these fine Scholars. It has been an amazing trajectory for me and meeting Madiba was something else!'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



MARIUS REDELINGHUYS

University of Pretoria
Honours: Political Science

Marius was born on 15 September 1987 in Middelburg, South Africa. He has completed his honours studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Marius is a Rotaract Club president, and continues to focus on activism and civil society. He is spokesperson for the Congress of the People Youth Movement, Tshwane. He plans to enter the world of work in 2010.

'The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has been a great opportunity, not only to meet future African leaders and like-minded individuals, but for personal growth and self-discovery. Being awarded the Scholarship has meant a lot, personally, as recognition of my achievements thus far and potential looking ahead. In the future I hope to contribute both through personal involvement and academic publication and study, to the consolidation and advancement of democracy. I hope to achieve this through strengthening civil society, State-society relations and public discourse both in the media and within communities. The year 2009 was an incredible journey of self-discovery and personal growth made largely possible by the programmes of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation.'



AALYIA SADRUDDIN

University of the Witwatersrand
Honours: Medical Anthropology, Health Sociology & Demography, Population Studies

Aalyia was born on 31 July 1987 in Kisumu, Kenya. She has completed her interdisciplinary honours studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. In tandem with her studies, Aalyia has been involved in socio-academic and social health development volunteering in Kenya. She dreams of helping to devise new and Afro-centric health policies.

'I grew up in a country where struggle is the meaning of life. Growing up in a privileged home made me realise the meaning of difference and context. I have been fortunate to study in Africa as I feel the continent's social, economic, political, cultural and historical background has informed my decision to study social health sciences. My studies have provided me with the opportunity to understand society from a macro and micro perspective. Contemporary health professionals need to start thinking of ways in which local Afro-centric health policies and health initiatives can be formulated. This can effectively be achieved through collaboration between western biomedicine and ethno-medical practitioners. Health policies that speak to the local contexts need to be devised.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



SASKIA SCHIEL

AFDA
Honours: Motion Picture Medium

Saskia was born on 19 February 1987 in Pretoria, South Africa. She has completed her honours studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, specialising in the Motion Picture Medium and Live Performance, with majors in Film Producing. Film is Saskia's passion and she plans a career in the South African feature film industry.

'The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship gave me the opportunity to pursue my studies, but more than that taught me that I have a contribution to make. It is humbling to be part of such a diverse group of people who are so enthusiastic about their vision for Africa. They have broadened my horizons, shattered my previous perceptions, and reminded me why I do what I do. I have learnt the most valuable lesson – that true leadership is service, and my new aim is to put this into practice. The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has helped me realise how I can use my passion for filmmaking for the betterment of society. The world's perception of Africa needs to change, and film can help. A highlight of my year was meeting the Patron of the MRF, Nelson Mandela, and making some lifelong friendships which I will cherish forever.'



NOTHEMBA SILWANA

Cape Peninsula University of Technology
Masters: Chemistry

Nothemba was born on 28 September 1984 in Cape Town, South Africa. She is completing her masters studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, and is currently a member of Women in Leadership, an organisation involved in social development programmes in townships in Cape Town. Nothemba says she is focused on self-development to enable her to better serve others.

'Receiving the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has been a life-changing experience. At the beginning, being placed amongst the cream of the crop ironically inflicted upon me and fuelled my natural doubt and fear, which led to a lot of hindrances in connecting with people. But then I learned the lessons from the Mandela Rhodes leadership workshops, and asked myself the question: How can one be a failure by simply being? How can one be wrong by simply being? And this has led me to the satisfactory conclusion that I am as I am. I should let be and let live. It has been an important year in other profound ways: I have been "born again", and, late in the year, I gave birth to a son. I plan in future to try harder to excel, especially in my academics, but also in other ways including initiating a debating society at our institution, the Cape Peninsula University of Technology.'

FEEDBACK FROM THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2009



CANO SSEMAKALU

UNISA

Masters: Biotechnology

Cano was born on 3 December 1985 in Masaka, Uganda. He is completing his masters studies as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Outside of his academic studies Cano is currently involved in a project that hopes to challenge the spread of water-borne diseases in communities in Africa that lack proper access to clean water.

'The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has been a source of enlightenment and a sign of hope for the African continent. I hope to be a beacon of enlightenment for African communities through technological transfer. I believe these are exciting times for our continent and as a result require a conscious collective effort for Africa's transformation. The year was wonderfully interesting, inspiring and challenging. I started to understand how to acknowledge my own aspirational passion for the continent. I agonised about the question of whether Africa could be unified through the integration of technologies developed via scientific research, and I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to do masters-level studies at the CSIR. I am sincerely grateful to The Mandela Rhodes Foundation for everything it has made possible.'



OBEDIANT TSHABALALA

Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University

Honours: Computer Science & Information Systems

Obediant was born on 5 April 1986 in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. He has completed his honours degree as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Obediant was selected to represent South Africa and Africa at the Global Student Entrepreneurship Awards in 2009, one of only 30 representatives from around the world. He intends to become increasingly involved in entrepreneurial issues.

'Being awarded a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has been a major event in my life, with an influence that will go far beyond the year itself. Being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar gave me bigger eyes to see into my own leadership, academic and – especially – entrepreneurial potential. In the future I hope to do a lot of community service in Africa, where I intend to fully use the knowledge that I have been fortunate to gather from school, friends, mentors and fellow Mandela Rhodes Scholars. These will be the tools for me to fulfil my own leadership potential, as identified by The Mandela Rhodes Foundation. A highlight of being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar has been the realisation that a good leader is also a servant, that a leader never gives up, and that leaders must lead by example. I have really benefited from being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar.'

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**Matthew
Beetar**

University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Honours: Social Science

Matthew was born on 17 January 1987 in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. He is currently on a Commonwealth Scholarship to the United Kingdom, studying for an MA at Sussex University in Brighton. His interests include the interaction of identity and the new media, as well as the representation of gendered identities in musical theatre-related performances.



**Anton
Botha**

Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan University
Masters: Psychology

Anton was born on 10 September 1981 in Pretoria, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. He is currently a lecturer at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in the Department of Industrial and Organisational Psychology, and is an environmental and renewable energy activist. Anton chairs the Central Co-ordinating Committee of the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars.



**Victor
Chikadzi**

University of the
Witwatersrand
Masters: Social
Development

Victor was born on 16 December 1983 in Chiredzi Town, Zimbabwe. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. He is currently working at the University of the Witwatersrand as a lecturer. Victor is simultaneously studying towards a doctoral qualification in Social Development, with a specific focus on social entrepreneurship after his time spent as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar in residence.



**Nobulali
Dangazele**

University of the
Witwatersrand
Masters: Dramatic Arts

Nobulali was born on 15 March 1985 in Soweto, South Africa. She is awaiting her results in anticipation of completing the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Nobulali is currently pursuing a career in acting, and hopes to focus on developing interactive theatre for high school learners in South African communities. She was recently awarded the Tanenbaum Fellowship, and travelled to Israel as part of the award.



**Lionel
Faull**

Rhodes University
Masters: English Literature

Lionel was born on 31 July 1984 in Nakuru, Kenya. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Lionel plans to pursue a career in print journalism and editing, becoming a multi-skilled media practitioner and in the process learning more African languages. He hopes one day to edit a major newspaper or magazine, as well as writing books. He has secured an internship at the *Mail & Guardian*.



**Thandeka
Hlengwa**

University of Zululand
Masters: Clinical Psychology

Thandeka was born on 9 December 1985 in Katlehong, South Africa. In pursuance of the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, she is currently completing her internship at Sterkfontein Psychiatric Hospital. Thandeka will then do her community service at Ngwelezane Hospital. Her other interests include collecting antiques, reading books on black consciousness, and attending lively parties whenever possible!



**Llewellyn
Howes**

AFDA
Honours: Film Production

Llewellyn was born on 14 January 1980 in Roodepoort, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Llewellyn has been doing freelance production work for film companies in various capacities, and eventually secured a semi-permanent position at Franz Marx Films. He and fellow Scholar Nobulali Dangazele have started a production company, Jealous Pea Productions (Pty) Limited.



**Simangele
Mabena**

University of the
Witwatersrand
Masters: Dramatic Arts

Simangele was born on 4 October 1983 in Johannesburg, South Africa. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Simangele is currently employed as a corporate training facilitator and has had the opportunity to meet a very wide range of individuals from different sectors who are eager to develop themselves professionally and personally. She says this makes the job very exciting indeed!

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**Lawrence
Mashimbye**

University of the
Witwatersrand
Masters: Epidemiology
and Biostatistics

Lawrence was born on 4 September 1984 in Giyani, South Africa. He completed the degree in Public Health for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Lawrence is currently working as a research analyst and assisting with HIV epidemiological research and the evaluation of national AIDS communication programmes. He is also a co-researcher at RADAR and his work includes designing studies, researching database development and data analysis.



**Christopher
McConnachie**

Rhodes University
Honours: LLB

Christopher was born on 13 August 1986 in East London, South Africa. He completed his degree. He won the Universities Debating Championship, was top speaker in the African Human Rights Moot Court Competition, and joint winner of the Law Reform Essay Competition. He co-ordinated the CMRS conference. He was appointed as a clerk at the Constitutional Court, and has subsequently won a Rhodes Scholarship.



**Zdena
Mtetwa**

Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan University
Honours: Psychology

Zdena was born on 14 May 1985 in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Zdena has been working with the Khulumani organisation. In her work she focuses on memorialisation and empowering people at grassroots level to realise their own rights. Zdena says she sees her future in the areas of strategic planning and sustainable development in Africa.



**Cynthia
Mutabaazi**

University of Pretoria
Masters: Culture and
Media Studies

Cynthia was born on 2 March 1981 in Kampala, Uganda. She is in the process of completing the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Although the completion of her studies is Cynthia's primary current focus, she has embarked on the mentoring of young and up-and-coming leaders on her campus. She reports that she is also very busy trying to develop a company called Purple Grey Communications.



**Lindokuhle
Nkosi**

University of Zululand
Masters: Sociology

Lindokuhle was born on 28 June 1987 in Boschfontein, South Africa. She did not complete the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, due to personal circumstances. Lindokuhle reports that she is now resuming work on her research at masters level and will simultaneously be undertaking studies for a diploma qualification in fashion design at the Sew Africa organisation in Johannesburg.



**Garikai
Nyaruwata**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Economics

Garikai was born on 16 January 1987 in Harare, Zimbabwe. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Garikai was subsequently awarded a Rhodes Scholarship and is currently pursuing his masters-level studies in economics at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom. Garikai reports that among the many other delights of Oxford, he is enjoying being an active member of the Oxford Debating Union.



**Chipateni
Nyirenda**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Industrial
Relations

Chipateni was born on 25 March 1983 in Lusaka, Zambia. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. After completing her studies Chipateni returned to her home country of Zambia, but reports that she was unfortunately unsuccessful in finding employment, and so decided to have a 'gap year'. She attended the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars conference in Grahamstown in September 2009.



**Suntosh
Pillay**

University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Masters: Clinical Psychology

Suntosh was born on 1 October 1985 in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. In pursuance of the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, he has completed his internship and is finalising his dissertation. He will be starting his community service at RK Khan Hospital in Chatsworth. He continues to write social commentary in various media. He also serves as Public Relations Officer of the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars.

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**Tinotenda
Sachikonye**

Rhodes University
Masters: Pharmacy

Tinotenda was born on 20 July 1984 in Mutare, Zimbabwe. She is in the process of completing the masters degree in science for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Once these processes are all completed, Tinotenda will begin to make decisions about the next steps in her career following her time in Grahamstown. She says that she gained a great deal of insight from her time spent as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar in residence.



**Marea
Sing**

Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan University
Honours: Mathematical
Statistics

Marea was born on 21 May 1987 in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Marea has completed a graduate placement year as a South African Reserve Bank Cadet, and has joined the Reserve Bank full time. She works in the Macro Models Unit, and heads up community service projects at the Bank. At some point in the future she hopes to study for her masters degree.



**Kim
Smith**

University of the
Western Cape
Honours: Industrial
Psychology

Kim was born on 1 June 1985 in Bellville, Cape Town. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. She is currently pursuing her studies at masters level. Kim was awarded a German Academic Exchange scholarship. Her interest is in social entrepreneurship and she reports that she is doing volunteer work in the non-profit sector. She is planning to start her own social entrepreneurial venture in due course.



**Demaine
Solomons**

University of the
Western Cape
Masters: Theology

Demaine was born on 18 April 1979 in Cape Town, South Africa. He is in the process of completing the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Demaine has been awarded the Desmond Tutu Doctoral Scholarship at Vrije University in the Netherlands, where he will study in pursuance of his doctoral qualification. His other activities have included teaching Ethical Theory at the University of the Western Cape.



**Bronwyn
Tarr**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Zoology

Bronwyn was born on 25 December 1985 in Swakopmund, Namibia. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Bronwyn subsequently won a Rhodes Scholarship to the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom, and is currently reading for an MSc in Environmental Change and Management. She says her academic focus is on socio-economic, political, legal and developmental challenges.



**Thabang
Tlaka**

University of Pretoria
Masters: Clinical Psychology

Thabang was born on 25 April 1985 in Polokwane, South Africa. He is in the process of completing the degree for which he registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Thabang did his internship at 2 Military Hospital, and was the officers' representative at the Combined Club. He has performed poetry pieces at UCT and at the hospital – where he also helped set up a choir. He was chosen as a Brightest Young Minds delegate in 2009.



**Mashilo
Tshehla**

University of Limpopo
Honours: Commerce

Mashilo was born on 4 January 1981 in Ga-Sekhukhune, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Mashilo is currently employed as an intern in the Department of Public Enterprises, specialising in training and development, recruitment and selection and performance management. He says he is enjoying implementing the principles of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation in his working life.

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**Tristram
Atkins**

AFDA
Honours: Film

Tristram was born on 29 March 1977 in Cape Town, South Africa. He has completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Tristram is engaged in writing the script for his first feature film, through the South African National Film and Video Foundation. He also works as a visual media consultant, and since his year in residence as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, has become a board member of the Cape Film Commission.



**Marlon
Burgess**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Anthropology

Marlon was born on 28 August 1980 in Cape Town, South Africa. He has completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Marlon is currently in the United States as a doctoral candidate at New York University's Department of Social and Cultural Analysis, in the American Studies Programme. He reports that while in the United States, he is also writing about art and music as 'resistive pedagogies'.



**Rumbidzai
Goredema**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Sociology

Rumbidzai was born on 12 April 1986 in Kwekwe, Zimbabwe. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Rumbidzai is currently completing her dissertation for her masters-level degree in Diversity Studies at the University of Cape Town. In addition to her academic commitments she is enjoying working part time as a researcher for the Sociology Department at the University of Cape Town.



**Bryony
Green**

Rhodes University
Masters: English Literature

Bryony was born on 19 February 1984 in Harare, Zimbabwe. She completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Bryony was subsequently awarded a Rhodes Scholarship to the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom, where she completed her masters studies and also got married! She is currently working at McKinsey and Company, focusing on social sector strategy, and has started a non-profit consultancy.



**Graeme
Hoddinott**

University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Masters: Social Science

Graeme was born on 23 April 1984 in Kingsborough, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. He has completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Graeme is currently employed as a research co-ordinator on a feasibility study at the Africa Centre for Health and Population Studies, aimed at combating HIV/AIDS. He has also registered for his doctoral studies at the University of KwaZulu-Natal.



**Aalia
Ismail**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Social Science

Aalia was born on 4 February 1986 in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. She has completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Aalia is currently working as Assistant Director in the Ministry for National Strategic Planning in the Presidency of South Africa. She is also pursuing her doctoral studies in Political Science part time, learning how to scuba dive, and doing cross-country running.



**Leanne
Johansson**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Psychology

Leanne was born on 5 September 1984 in Johannesburg, South Africa. She has completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Leanne is currently reading for an MSc in African Studies at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom, where she is a Clarendon Scholar. Her academic research interests include forced migration and refugee populations in southern Africa, as well as narratives of identity.

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**Nyika
Machenjedze**

University of Fort Hare
Masters: Human Rights

Nyika was born on 9 April 1980 in Harare, Zimbabwe. He has completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Nyika is working for Child and Family Welfare and CARE SA-Lesotho, as a Programmes Technical Partner. As well as conducting research he has registered for a second masters in Public Health, and is studying Advanced Project Management with the University of South Africa.



**Boitumelo
Magolegi**

University of Pretoria
Honours: Electronic
Engineering

Boitumelo was born on 20 March 1985 in Pretoria, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Boitumelo reports that after completing his studies in electronic engineering he has decided to take an extended sabbatical. After this, he says, he will be making decisions about the next steps in his career, following on from his experience as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar in residence.



**David
Maimela**

University of Pretoria
Masters: Political Economy

David was born on 4 May 1982 in Nelspruit, South Africa. He did not complete the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. David is currently a director in the Office of the Premier in the province of Gauteng. He is responsible for co-ordinating the office of the Deputy Director General, and works on projects, policy briefs, analysis and research. David remains involved with youth development programmes.



**Clement
Mogodi**

University of Zululand
Masters: Clinical Psychology

Clement (preferred first name Moraswi) was born on 11 September 1979 in Polokwane, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Since completing his academic qualifications, he has been working as a community service psychologist at Ngwelezana Hospital in the province of KwaZulu-Natal. He reports that once this assignment is complete, he will make decisions about his career.



**Rikus
Oswald**

University of Stellenbosch
Masters: International
Studies

Rikus was born on 18 July 1984 in Cape Town, South Africa. He has completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. While he was completing his studies at the University of Stellenbosch, Rikus was accepted on to Anglo American's High Potential Graduate Programme, and has since then been working at the Anglo American Head Office in Johannesburg, where he is a social and community development analyst.



**Lunga
Radebe**

University of the
Witwatersrand
Honours: Dramatic Arts

Lunga was born on 2 August 1985 in Sebokeng, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Lunga is currently co-producing and shooting a documentary focused on black theatre directors and practitioners in South Africa. He reports that he has applied to Goldsmith's University in London to pursue a master's degree in performance, and this application will determine his next career move.



**Ayanda
Khala**

University of the
Witwatersrand
Masters: Dramatic Arts

Ayanda was born on 15 July 1982 in Johannesburg, South Africa. She is still in the process of completing the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Ayanda currently holds a position as a Drama and Theatre Performance teacher at Maru-a-Pula School, Gaborone, Botswana. She is widely involved in theatre productions and is at the moment co-writing and directing the annual school theatre production at Maru-a-Pula.

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Judy
Sikuza

Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan University
Honours: Industrial and
Organisational Psychology

Judy was born on 6 December 1985 in Mthatha, South Africa. She has completed the degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Judy is currently in New York City in the United States, completing her masters studies in Social-Organisational Psychology as a Fulbright Scholar. She reports that she is also serving as a Student Senator, and is learning Spanish, acting, playing squash and the guitar, as well as taking salsa dancing lessons.



Daphney
Singo

University of Cape Town
Masters: Physics

Daphney (preferred first name Thifhelimbulu) was born on 3 February 1983 in Limpopo province, South Africa. She has completed the masters degree in science for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Daphney reports that she is currently studying for her doctoral degree in Applied Nuclear Physics at the University of Stellenbosch. After this is complete she will determine the next steps in her career.



Jeremias
Sitoi

University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Masters: Commerce

Jeremias was born on 18 July 1975 in Maputo, Mozambique. He is in the process of completing the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. As well as completing his dissertation, Jeremias is also studying part time for a Masters in Business Administration qualification. He reports that he hopes to play a role in his home country of Mozambique in helping to initiate and build a new approach towards education.



Cebile
Tebele

University of Zululand
Honours: Industrial
Psychology

Cebile was born on 16 November 1979 in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. She has completed the honours degree in commerce for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Cebile reports that she is currently a lecturer in the Department of Industrial Psychology at the University of Zululand in KwaZulu-Natal, and is simultaneously pursuing her masters degree in that discipline. After this she says she will be in a position to determine her next career steps.



Sheetal
Vallabh

University of Cape Town
Masters: Clinical
Psychology

Sheetal was born on 18 April 1977 in Johannesburg, South Africa. She has completed the masters-level degree in psychology for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Sheetal reports that she is currently focused on her involvement in a variety of community activities and that she is in the process of determining her main interests and what her focus should be for the coming years.



Buhle
Zuma

University of Cape Town
Masters: Intercultural
Studies

Buhle was born on 8 March 1983 in Empangeni, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Buhle is pursuing his doctoral studies in Social Psychology at UCT, and working as a researcher with the Joint Learning Initiative on Children and Ethnic Diversity. He was Chairperson of The Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars in 2009.

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Rachel
Adams

University of Cape Town
Honours: Social
Anthropology

Rachel was born on 9 March 1981 in Kadoma, Zimbabwe. She completed the honours degree in social anthropology for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Rachel subsequently earned her MSc in African Studies at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom and is currently working for the Allan Gray Orbis Foundation in its scholarship programme. She contributes to the *Mail & Guardian* Thought Leader blog.



Nyasha
Chigwamba

Rhodes University
Masters: Computer
Science

Nyasha was born on 2 August 1983 in Harare, Zimbabwe. He completed the masters degree in computer science for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Nyasha reports that he is currently employed as a software engineer for Networked Audio, in collaboration with the German-based company Universal Media Access Networks. He says he is also registered for his doctoral studies in computer science part time at Rhodes University.



Zethu
Dlamini

University of Cape Town
Masters: Media Studies

Zethu was born on 2 June 1980 in Mbabane, Swaziland. Zethu completed the masters degree in Media Studies for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. She subsequently became active in social issues, with a special interest in women's activism.

No further updates received by the Foundation from Zethu since 2008.



Chet
Fransch

University of Stellenbosch
Honours: French

Chet was born on 12 February 1976 in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. He completed the honours degree in French for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Subsequently Chet went on to complete his masters degree in History at the University of Stellenbosch, where he has since been teaching full time throughout this period. He reports that he is currently completing his doctoral studies, also through Stellenbosch.



Tristan
Görgens

University of Cape Town
Honours: Development
Studies

Tristan was born on 19 September 1983 in Grahamstown, South Africa. He completed the honours degree in Development Studies for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Tristan subsequently completed his masters degree and reports that he has begun working for the Isandla Institute, a public think-tank with a primary focus on fostering just, equitable and democratic urban settlements. Tristan is based in Cape Town.



Janet
Jobson

Rhodes University
Honours: History

Janet was born on 24 June 1984 in Johannesburg, South Africa. She completed the honours degree for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Janet went on to earn an MPhil in Development Studies at the University of Oxford, where she was a Rhodes Scholar. Subsequently she was awarded a Saue Scholarship in Montreal, Canada, in association with McGill University. Janet was instrumental in the early days of the CMRS.



Pie-Pacifique
Kabalira-Uwase

University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Honours: Physics

Pie-Pacifique was born on 21 August 1980 in Ruhengeri, Rwanda. He has not completed the honours degree in physics for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Pie-Pacifique reports that he is currently employed in the Business Performance Management section at Absa in Johannesburg. He is also treasurer of the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars, and the founder of the Sharing Circle organisation in Johannesburg.



Thando
Mggolozana

University of the
Western Cape
Masters: Nursing

Thando was born on 27 August 1983 in Cape Town, South Africa. He completed the masters degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Thando has worked as a researcher for the Human Sciences Research Council, and reports that he is currently employed at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. He co-authored a monograph and a chapter in an academic work. In 2009 he published the novel *A Man Who is Not a Man*.

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**Nonkululeko
Ngidi**

University of
KwaZulu- Natal
Honours: Economics

Nonkululeko was born on 11 August 1986 in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. She did not complete the honours degree in Economics for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, as she suspended her Scholarship for personal reasons.

No further updates received by the Foundation from Nonkululeko since 2007.



**Melika
Singh**

University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Masters: Industrial
Psychology

Melika was born on 23 September 1983 in Newcastle, South Africa. She completed the masters degree in Industrial Psychology for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Melika is a registered Industrial Psychologist, and is also the Projects Officer for the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars. She reports that her interests include reading, socialism, the CMRS, South America, and poverty and development.



**Nkazi
Sokhulu**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Finance

Nkazi (preferred first name Nkazimulo) was born on 19 December 1984 in Durban, South Africa. He completed the degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Nkazi is employed as an Executive Assistant to the Managing Director of the retail business at Old Mutual, and is a judge and co-ordinator for the TechnoServe entrepreneurship competition. He plans to study for a Masters in Business Administration qualification.



**Vincent
van Bever Donker**

University of the
Western Cape
Masters: Literature

Vincent was born on 11 March 1983 in Cape Town, South Africa. He completed the masters degree in Literature for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Subsequent to his masters studies, Vincent was awarded a Commonwealth Scholarship and he reports that he is currently pursuing his doctoral studies in English Literature at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom, after which he will decide on his next steps.



**Piet
van Rooyen**

University of the Free State
Honours: Music

Piet was born on 10 May 1984 in Sasolburg, South Africa. He completed the honours degree in music for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Piet is currently a Teaching Assistant at the University of the Free State and completing his masters degree in music. He intends to continue to doctoral-level studies. He plays for the Free State Symphony Orchestra, the Odeion Sinfonia, and the Kopsie String Ensemble in Bloemfontein.



**Luzelle
Yon**

University of Stellenbosch
Masters: Political
Management

Luzelle was born on 29 December 1984 in Walvis Bay, Namibia. She completed the masters degree in political management for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Since her studies Luzelle has been employed by the United Nations Refugee Agency at its duty station in Cape Town and Regional Office, Pretoria. She reports that she has also worked for a management consultancy, and is a trustee on the Rachel's Angels Trust.



**Bongumusa
Zuma**

Rhodes University
Honours: Biotechnology

Bongamusa was born on 16 October 1982 in Empangeni, South Africa. He completed the honours degree in Biotechnology for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Bongamusa is currently studying for his doctoral qualification in pharmacy at Rhodes University, and his area of research is domestic wastewater reusability. He presented at the Public Health conference last year, and is writing a paper for the Health Systems Trust of southern Africa.

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**Julia
Cloete**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Social
Anthropology

Julia was born on 31 January 1982 in Mthatha, South Africa. She completed her honours degree but subsequently had to suspend her masters studies due to chronic illness contracted during fieldwork. Julia reports that she is now in the final stages of completion for this qualification. She also says that after a long academic engagement with environmental concerns, she is in the process of starting her own recycling initiative in Johannesburg.



**Jacques
Conradie**

University of Stellenbosch
Honours: Actuarial Science

Jacques was born on 9 May 1983 in Bellville, Cape Town. He completed the honours degree in Actuarial Science for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Jacques is currently an investment analyst at the company Peregrine Capital in Johannesburg. He reports that he is passionate about his job, and loves reading, researching investments, and interacting with top companies. He also points out that he is married and enjoys travelling.



**Buntu
Godongwana**

Cape Peninsula University
of Technology
Masters: Chemical
Engineering

Buntu was born on 23 May 1983 in Cape Town, South Africa. He completed the masters degree for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Buntu is currently studying at doctoral level in Chemical Engineering at CPUT, and his research interest is the usage of engineering techniques for the production of low-volume, high-value bioproducts. He reports that he has been offered a lectureship at the same institution.



**Sizwe
Mjiqiza**

University of the
Western Cape
Masters: Pharmacy

Sizwe was born on 10 October 1981 in Queenstown, South Africa. He completed the masters degree in Pharmacy for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Sizwe completed his community service in the Eastern Cape and reports that he is currently Pharmacy Manager at Glen Grey Hospital. He says that his overriding interest is to ensure that people, especially children, have access to antiretrovirals and basic health care.



**Hanru
Niemand**

University of Stellenbosch
Masters: Psychology

Hanru was born on 29 April 1982 in Paarl, South Africa. He completed the masters degree in psychology for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Hanru is currently a clinical psychologist in the Department of Correctional Services, and is pursuing his doctoral dissertation in Philosophy at the University of Stellenbosch. He also reports that his music career is alive and kicking – he will record a second album in 2010.



**Riaan
Oppelt**

University of the
Western Cape
Masters: English Literature

Riaan was born on 3 November 1981 in Paarl, South Africa. He completed the masters degree in Literature for which he was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Riaan reports that he is currently a lecturer at Stellenbosch University. He is also reading for his doctoral qualification in English Literature, is responsible for managing the English tutoring programme in the faculty, and holds a seat on Stellenbosch University's Teaching Committee.



**Sirika
Pillay**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Microbiology

Sirika was born on 14 October 1983 in Johannesburg, South Africa. She completed the honours degree in microbiology for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Sirika is currently completing her doctoral studies at Imperial College, London, in the United Kingdom. She says she remains interested in education and is involved in the teaching component of the undergraduate biology practical courses at Imperial College.



**Alex
Salo**

University of Cape Town
Honours: Immunology

Alex was born on 6 February 1984 in Cape Town, South Africa. She completed the honours degree in immunology for which she was registered as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Alex is currently enrolled as a Fulbright Scholar in a doctoral programme in Public Health (Epidemiology) at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, in the United States. She says she is completing the required course work and hopes to write final examinations in 2011.

INTRODUCING THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2010

THE SIXTH COHORT OF MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS

The Class of 2010 gathered as a group for the first time at their introductory leadership workshop in January, held at the Monkey Valley conference facility at Noordhoek outside central Cape Town. Over these four pages we introduce the young Africans who make up this sixth cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars. In addition to introducing them by name and indicating the degree for which they are registered and where they are studying, we share their brief impressions having completed their first leadership development workshop.



IN LOVING
MEMORY OF
KRISHNA
KHETIA

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation records with the greatest sadness the passing of 2010 Mandela Rhodes Scholar Krishna Khetia, in a car accident in Mombasa, Kenya, on 2 January 2010. Our most sincere condolences have been given to the Khetia family. Krishna's portrait will continue to hang in the MRF Boardroom along with the other members of the Class of 2010, and she will not be forgotten.



Grant
Andrews

Nominating Institution:
University of Stellenbosch
Current Institution:
University of Stellenbosch
Degree:
Masters: English

'I enjoyed the debate about what is glory-seeking, what is arrogance, and what is confidence.'



Andrew
Carolin

Nominating Institution:
University of Johannesburg
Current Institution:
University of Johannesburg
Degree:
Masters: English

'I found that you learn best from talking less, and listening more.'



Adèle
Croucamp

Nominating Institution:
North West University,
Current Institution:
North West University
Degree:
Masters: Industrial
Psychology

Adèle was unfortunately unable to attend the first leadership workshop of 2010.



Asanda
Dodi

Nominating Institution:
TSIBA
Current Institution:
University of the
Witwaterstrand
Degree:
Honours: Business
Administration

'I have felt that everyone wants to make a positive contribution beyond themselves, and for the world.'



Siphesihle
Dumisa

Nominating Institution:
University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Current Institution:
University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Degree:
Honours: Political Science

'I was reminded that there doesn't need to be a conclusion to everything, and that there can be multiple perspectives.'



Paton
Dennison

Nominating Institution:
University of the
Free State
Current Institution:
University of the
Free State
Degree:
LLB

'I was reminded that every single person has a unique perspective, and something to add.'

INTRODUCING THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2010



Clive
Eley

Nominating Institution:
Rhodes University
Current Institution:
Rhodes University
Degree:
Masters: Chemistry

'I have found that when we reach a stage of disagreement, it is the start of the conversation, not the end.'



Emile
Engel

Nominating Institution:
University of Cape Town
Current Institution:
University of Cape Town
Degree:
Masters: Chemistry

'The biggest thing I have taken from this experience is the friendships we have made so far.'



Siyabonga
Gobonga

Nominating Institution:
TSIBA
Current Institution:
University of Cape Town
Degree:
Honours: Business
Administration

'I learned that I don't have to be in control of every situation, that I can be okay with different views.'



Nozipho
Hokonya

Nominating Institution:
Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan University
Current Institution:
Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan University
Degree:
Honours: Social Work

'I am taking away from this the need to focus on clear and basic values to live one's life.'



Steven
Hussey

Nominating Institution:
University of Pretoria
Current Institution:
University of Pretoria
Degree:
Masters: Biotechnology

'I found that all the Scholars were incredibly optimistic, passionate and opinionated – and that was great.'



Yannick
Kala Konga

Nominating Institution:
Tshwane University of
Technology
Current Institution:
Tshwane University of
Technology
Degree:
Masters: Electronic
Engineering

'I take away the fact that I come from a very cynical place; but here I have rediscovered hope.'



Serge
Lomago

Nominating Institution:
University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Current Institution:
University of
Cape Town
Degree:
Honours: Finance &
Management

'I was reminded of the value of communication, networking, and one-to-one discussions.'



Nande
Mabona

Nominating Institution:
University of the
Western Cape
Current Institution:
University of the
Western Cape
Degree:
Honours: Petroleum
Geology

'I was reminded that listening is very virtuous, and that there is much to learn from hearing one another.'

INTRODUCING THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2010



Oupa
Malahlela

Nominating Institution:
University of Limpopo
Current Institution:
University of Limpopo
Degree:
Masters: Science

'I realised during this experience that there is a great society of future leaders here.'



Athambile
Masola

Nominating Institution:
Rhodes University
Current Institution:
Rhodes University
Degree:
Masters: African Studies

'One thing I took away from this experience is that it's okay to chill, sometimes!'



Henry
Mavasa

Nominating Institution:
University of Zululand
Current Institution:
University of Zululand
Degree:
Masters: Clinical Psychology

'I realised that this Scholarship is truly a gift to us, not something that we are just borrowing – and that none of us is alone.'



Cara
Meintjies

Nominating Institution:
University of Stellenbosch
Current Institution:
University of Stellenbosch
Degree:
Masters: International Studies

'I was reminded that we are not just lone rangers – and that The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is keeping dreams alive.'



Syden
Mishi

Nominating Institution:
University of Fort Hare
Current Institution:
University of Fort Hare
Degree:
Honours: Economics

'I realised we are diverse, and that makes us fit like jigsaw puzzle pieces.'



Petunia
Mpoza

Nominating Institution:
Monash
Current Institution:
Monash
Degree:
Honours: International Relations

'I learned that I don't have to be in control all the time, that I can learn from others.'



Zukiswa
Mqolomba

Nominating Institution:
University of Cape Town
Current Institution:
University of Cape Town
Degree:
Masters: Social Science

'The discussions reminded me we should understand that all of history is a social construct.'



Comfort
Ndala

Nominating Institution:
Tshwane University of Technology
Current Institution:
Tshwane University of Technology
Degree:
Masters: Operations Management

'This experience is the future of Africa, with no boundaries. I have hope in each and every one of us.'

INTRODUCING THE MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARS OF 2010



Zimbini
Ogle

Nominating Institution:
Independent
Current Institution:
Nelson Mandela
Metropolitan Univesity
Degree:
Masters: Clinical Psychology

'One mustn't look at the people around you by colour or class – but as human beings.'



Shaheen
Seedat

Nominating Institution:
University of the
Witwatersrand
Current Institution:
University of the
Witwatersrand
Degree:
Honours: Economics and
Mathematics

'My highlights were the discussions on so many issues, with views so different from my own.'



Nandipha
Sephuma

Nominating Institution:
University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Current Institution:
University of
KwaZulu-Natal
Degree:
Masters: English

'I found it is possible to be part of a room full of intelligent, passionate, enthusiastic people!'



Elizabeth
Vale

Nominating Institution:
Rhodes University
Current Institution:
Rhodes University
Degree:
Honours: Philosophy

'I was reminded of how important it is to identify and utilise *all* peoples' skills.'



Alice
Wamundiya

Nominating Institution:
University of the
Western Cape
Current Institution:
University of
Cape Town
Degree:
Masters: Development
Studies

'I took from this experience that there are other Africans who want to share the burdens of our continent.'



Richard
Wilkinson

Nominating Institution:
University of Cape Town
Current Institution:
University of Cape Town
Degree:
LLB

'I am realising that history is one long story and that there is always another chapter.'

THE FRIENDS OF THE MANDELA RHODES FOUNDATION (USA)

A MESSAGE FROM THE FOMRF

The organisations that Friends of the Mandela Rhodes Foundation (USA) supports are serving more students than ever before. FoMRF provided them with nearly \$700 000 in grants in the year under review, bringing our total grants funded to over \$2.8 million in only five years. We were proud to see that The Mandela Rhodes Foundation elected another impressive class of Mandela Rhodes Scholars this year, bringing the total number of Scholars over 100. FoMRF has now endowed two Mandela Rhodes Scholarships in perpetuity.

Friends of the Mandela Rhodes Foundation (USA) is also pleased to continue its support of the Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars as they build not only an alumni association, but a network of individuals that is truly putting into practice the values they committed to as Mandela Rhodes Scholars. It is a magnificent indication of the Scholarships' success that the alumni have been inspired to maintain such a vibrant and engaged community.

Finally, FoMRF more than doubled its support for the South African Education and Environment Project this year. FoMRF's funding since 2007 has allowed the Bridging Year programme to expand from six to fourteen students. Bridging Year is an intensive, full-time, year-long programme of individual mentorship, academic tutoring, and community service aimed at preparing recent graduates of township high schools for tertiary education.

Ian Glenday
President
Friends of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation (USA)

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DONORS WHO HAVE ESTABLISHED MANDELA RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS



The Leverhulme Trust

'The aspirations of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation and The Leverhulme Trust are in the happiest of resonance; the target itself remains as crucial and challenging as it ever was.'



'OUP is committed to transformation and empowerment in South Africa and we believe that our innovative partnership with The Mandela Rhodes Foundation goes right to the heart of the spirit of transformation.'



'This is a journey of a million steps and we look forward to contributing toward promoting the Mandela Rhodes Foundation's principles of leadership, education, entrepreneurship and reconciliation.'

The Hunter Foundation

'Leadership is the key to Africa's future and the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme plays a crucial role in developing the leaders of tomorrow from Africa, for Africa.'



'46664 was delighted to be in a position to support the work of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation in identifying and nurturing the next generations of young African leaders, distinguished by their excellence and their ethics.'

DONORS SUPPORTING PROGRAMMES PROJECTS AND OPERATIONS

- PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF THE WESTERN CAPE
- FRIENDS OF THE MANDELA RHODES FOUNDATION (USA)
- ROYAL EMBASSY OF NORWAY
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HOW TO DONATE TO THE MANDELA RHODES FOUNDATION



Since the founding benefaction by the Rhodes Trust brought the partnership that is The Mandela Rhodes Foundation into being in 2003, the MRF and its flagship Scholarships programme in particular has benefited from the extraordinary generosity of major donors who have made funds available to establish further Mandela Rhodes Scholarships on a sustainable basis. These donors are recognised and honoured on page 50 of the Yearbook. Anyone who might be interested in exploring this route and would like further details should make direct contact with the General Manager of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, Donovan Brinders, at +27 21 424 3346, or via e-mail donovan@mandelarhodes.org.za.

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is registered as a Trust (Trust No. IT5164/2003), as a Public Benefit Organisation (PBO No. 930004744) and as a Non-Profit Organisation (NPO No. 038-181-NPO).

The Foundation is therefore in a position to issue tax certificates for donations made in compliance with South African Income Tax Law.

General donations to support our operations are also most welcome, according to the means of the donor. Any related queries about donating, for example on the tax-exempt status of the Foundation Trust, or gifts to be made from other countries, should also be directed to the General Manager.

It is also possible to make a direct deposit for the benefit of the Foundation as per the following bank account details:

Bank Name: Nedbank
Account holder: Corporate Services Cape Town (Waterfront)
Republic of South Africa
Branch code: 145-209
Account No: 1452 028 060
SWIFT Code: NEDSZAJJ

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ANNUAL FINANCIAL RESULTS 2009

THE MANDELA RHODES FINANCIAL RESULTS

TRUST INFORMATION

This is an abridged version of the financial statements for the 12 months ended in December 2009, audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers. Full statements are available from The Mandela Rhodes Foundation on request. Financial statements for 2009 have been available since March 2010.

Life Patron:	Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela
Chairperson:	Gert Johannes Gerwel
Chief Executive Officer:	Shaun Athol Johnson
Business Address:	The Mandela Rhodes Building 150 St George's Mall Cape Town 8001
Postal Address:	PO Box 15897 Vlaeberg 8018 Cape Town South Africa
Bankers:	Nedbank Limited
Investment Managers:	BoE Private Clients Symmetry Multi-Manager
Attorneys:	Lionel Murray Schwormstedt & Louw
Auditors:	PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.
Trustees:	Mandela Nominees Gert Johannes Gerwel Yvonne Mokgoro Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka Njabulo Ndebele Rhodes Nominees William Arthur Waldegrave Robert Fellowes Colin Lucas (Resigned – 30 June 2009) Julian Ogilvie Thompson

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and the preparation and integrity of the financial statements and the related information. The auditors are responsible for reporting on the fair presentation of the financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with South African Statements of Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The Trustees are also responsible for the Foundation's system of internal financial control. These controls are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance reliability of the financial statements, and to adequately safeguard, verify and maintain the accountability of assets, and to prevent and detect misstatement and loss. Nothing has come to the attention of the Trustees to indicate that any material breakdown in the functioning of these controls, procedures and system has occurred during the year under review.

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation, integrity and fair presentation of the financial statements of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation Trust. The financial pages 57 to 60 have been prepared in accordance with South African Statements of Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and include amounts based on judgements and estimates made by management.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going-concern basis, since the Trustees have every reason to believe that the Foundation has adequate resources in place to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

The independent auditing firm PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., which was given unrestricted access to all financial records and related data, including minutes of all meetings of members, has audited the annual financial statements. The Trustees believe that all representations made to the independent auditors during their audit were valid and appropriate. PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.'s audit report is presented in the independent auditors' report.

The financial statements were approved on 19 March 2010 by the Trustees and are signed below:



TRUSTEE



TRUSTEE



TRUSTEE



REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MANDELA RHODES FOUNDATION TRUST

The summarised financial statements of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation Trust set out in pages 57 to 60 have been derived from the annual financial statements, prepared in accordance with South African Statements of Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2009. We have audited the annual financial statements in accordance with statements of International Standards on Auditing. In our report dated 19 March 2010, we expressed an opinion that the financial statements, from which the summarised financial statements were derived, were fairly presented, in all material respects, except that, as in common with similar organisations, it is not feasible for the organisation to institute accounting controls over cash collections from donations prior to the initial entry of the collections in the accounting records. Accordingly, it was impracticable for us to extend our examination beyond the receipts actually recorded.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying summarised financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the annual financial statements from which they were derived and on which we expressed a qualified opinion as referred to in the preceding paragraph. For a better understanding of the scope of our audit and Trust's financial position, the results of its operations and cash flows for the period, the summarised financial statements should be read in conjunction with our audit report included in the annual financial statements from which the summarised financial statements were derived.



PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.

Director: EJ Carelse

Registered Auditor

Cape Town

Date: 19 March 2010

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

1. Nature of activities

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation Trust was established on 9 June 2002 as a joint initiative between Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela and the Rhodes Trustees (hereinafter jointly referred to as 'the Founders').

The Founders wish to contribute to the development of exceptional leadership capacity in Africa. This objective shall be advanced through the development and implementation of the various Mandela Rhodes programmes more fully described in the strategy plan approved by the Trustees in February 2004.

In line with the strategic growth plan referred to above, the number of the Mandela Rhodes Scholars elected annually has grown as follows: 8 in 2005; 15 in 2006; 20 in 2007; 23 in 2008 and 28 in 2009. In addition to the annually selected Scholars, the Foundation funds Scholars who are on a Masters programme and their scholarships are carried over from the previous year (8 Scholars). Costs have therefore increased in line with the strategic growth plan approved by the Trustees and reviewed annually.

2. Financial results

The financial results of the Foundation for the year can be summarised as follows:

	2009 R	2008 R
Donations received	17 132 955	57 891 826
Programme funding	9 513 537	9 461 911
Rent received	474 817	425 126
Sundry income	724 485	355 286
Finance income	9 331 848	11 712 623
Total income	37 177 642	79 846 772
Total expenses	(14 129 369)	(14 990 520)
Finance expenses	(4 639)	(4 285)
Surplus for the year	23 043 634	64 851 967

Substantial donations were received from: The Leverhulme Trust, Unilever, The Royal Norwegian Embassy, ABSA Bank Limited, 46664, The Nelson Mandela Legacy Trust (UK).

In addition the Foundation continued to receive the annual benefaction from the Rhodes Trust. An amount of £500 000 (R6 495 401) was received for the year ending 31 December 2009 (2008: £1 000 000 (R14 762 100)).

3. Trustees

The Trustees at 31 December 2009 were:

The Mandela Nominees

Gert Johannes Gerwel
Yvonne Mokgoro
Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka
Njabulo Ndebele

The Rhodes Nominees

William Arthur Waldegrave
Robert Fellowes
Colin Lucas (Resigned 30 June 2009)
Julian Ogilvie Thompson

The Executive Committee at 31 December 2009 were:

Gert Johannes Gerwel (Chairman) William Waldegrave
Njabulo Ndebele Shaun Athol Johnson
Julian Ogilvie Thompson

The Remuneration Committee at 31 December 2009 were:

Gert Johannes Gerwel (Chairman) Julian Ogilvie Thompson

The Finance, Audit and Risk Committee at 31 December 2009 were:

Mustaq Brey (Chairman) Gert Johannes Gerwel
Tim Cumming Julian Ogilvie Thompson

The Investment Committee at 31 December 2009 were:

Tim Cumming (Chairman) Julian Ogilvie Thompson
Gert Johannes Gerwel Shaun Athol Johnson

4. Material events after year-end

No matter which is material to the financial affairs has occurred between the balance sheet date and the date of approval of the annual financial statements.

5. Trustees' interest in contracts

No material contracts in which Trustees have an interest were entered into.

6. Change in investment policy

At the 27 March 2009 Board of Trustees meeting, the Trustees made a decision to diversify the investment portfolio from a capital preserving 'money market' mandate towards a more growth-oriented investment mandate as per the advice from the Investment Committee and following advice from RisCura who had earlier been appointed as the Investment Consultants for the Foundation. Following that decision, the endowment funds are still in the process of being transitioned (on an incremental basis over 12 months) from the original money market fund to a portfolio which includes local equities, foreign equities, inflation-linked SA government bonds and money market assets. These different asset classes are being managed in specific funds by a number of select market-leading managers (as advised by RisCura) – all of which are being administered upon the Symmetry Multi-Manager platform (for ease of administration and management). Symmetry Multi-Manager is a division of Old Mutual Life Assurance Company (South Africa) Ltd.

7. Auditors

The Trustees have approved that PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. will continue in office.



Chairperson of the Trust
Date: 19 March 2010

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AT 31 DECEMBER 2009

	2009 R	2008 R
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property and equipment	12 873 301	12 799 832
Intangible assets	–	18 442
Available-for-sale financial assets	156 660 923	–
	169 534 224	12 818 274
Current assets		
Receivables and prepayments	404 544	331 633
Cash and cash equivalents	15 377 717	142 537 766
	15 782 261	142 869 399
Total assets	185 316 485	155 687 673
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves		
Trust fund	6 728 943	6 728 943
Rhodes Endowment reserve	68 545 708	62 050 307
Other Endowment reserve	55 526 590	39 399 458
Property Endowment reserve	12 437 356	12 437 356
Property Maintenance reserve	11 688 544	11 688 544
Revaluation reserve	5 551 403	–
Accumulated surplus	21 656 534	14 740 032
	182 135 078	147 044 640
Current liabilities		
Payables	1 265 217	1 331 315
Donations received in advance	1 916 190	7 311 718
	3 181 407	8 643 033
Total equity and liabilities	185 316 485	155 687 673

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

	2009 R	2008 R
REVENUE	27 121 309	67 778 863
Donations received	17 132 955	57 891 826
Programme funding	9 513 537	9 461 911
Rent received	474 817	425 126
Other income	724 485	355 286
Operating expenses	(14 129 369)	(14 990 520)
Finance income	9 331 848	11 712 623
OPERATING SURPLUS	23 048 273	64 856 252
Finance expense	(4 639)	(4 285)
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	23 043 634	64 851 967
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME:		
Available-for-sale financial assets	5 551 403	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	28 595 037	64 851 967

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

	2009 R	2008 R
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash generated in operations	8 505 295	39 040 045
Interest expense	(4 639)	(4 285)
Interest income	9 331 848	11 712 623
Net cash generated in operating activities	17 832 504	50 748 383
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(259 896)	(8 146 335)
Proceeds on sale of equipment	1 039	9 072
Purchases of available-for-sale financial assets	(151 229 097)	-
Net cash utilised in investing activities	(151 487 954)	(8 137 263)
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Rhodes Trust	6 495 401	14 762 100
Net cash generated from financing activities	6 495 401	14 762 100
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(127 160 049)	57 373 220
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	142 537 766	85 164 546
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	15 377 717	142 537 766

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backed up by all MRF colleagues.*

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