THE MANDELA RHODES FOUNDATION 2006

BUILDING EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP CAPACITY IN AFRICA
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Facing page: The Patron of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, Mr Nelson Mandela, arrives at Mandela House in Johannesburg to be introduced to the ‘Class of 2006’ Mandela Rhodes Scholars, in January of this year
Mr Mandela relaxes at his offices at Mandela House after attending a handover ceremony with new donors to The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, Oxford University Press Southern Africa, and taking a moment to greet the MRF staff.
In this space last year I wrote, in thanking all those around the world who were assisting in the great project of building The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, that the achievements of the Foundation so far had been remarkable, but that it was the evident future potential that was most exciting.

The year 2006 has more than proved my optimism to be justified. As will be seen in this Yearbook documenting what has been achieved in the course of the year, the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme has grown in leaps and bounds, the professional running of the Foundation is a source of great pride, and there has been tremendous progress with the task of raising meaningful additional funds to ensure the sustainability of the organisation.

All in all, I could not be happier with the performance of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation in the third year of its existence, and I look forward eagerly to it achieving an even higher level in 2007 and beyond. I rely on you to redouble your efforts to support the building of a great African institution, which is identifying and nurturing exceptional young African leaders of the future.

Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela
Johannesburg, South Africa
November 2006

Class of 2005

Julia Cloete
Jacques Conradie
Buntu Godongwana
Sizwe Mjiqiza
Hanru Niemand
Riaan Oppelt
Sirika Pillay
Alex Salo

Class of 2006

Rachel Adams
Chet Fransch
Pie-Pacifique Kabalira-Uwase
Melika Singh
Piet van Rooyen
Nyasha Chigwamba
Tristan Görgens
Thando Mgqolozana
Nkazi Sokhulu
Laizelle Yon
Zethu Dlamini
Janet Jobson
Nonkululeko Ngidi
Vincent van Bever Donker
Bongumusa Zuma
As will be seen in this Yearbook, a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship is intended to be much more than a bursary, although the costs of Scholars are fully and generously covered for the period of their study. A Mandela Rhodes Scholarship offers young Africans who exhibit academic prowess as well as broader leadership potential an educational opportunity unusual on the continent – including personalised mentoring, dedicated leadership courses, and the opportunity to interact with a diverse group of fellow-Scholars in a structured environment.

The faces on these pages are those of the young Africans who have so far been given the privilege of carrying the title ‘Mandela Rhodes Scholar’. These exceptional young people are the face of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation and, indeed, its purpose.

Further details on the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme are to be found on pages 32 – 35 of this Yearbook, including the Characteristics Sought in a Mandela Rhodes Scholar and the selection process. On pages 36 – 61 we introduce more fully the 43 young Africans who make up the first three cohorts of Mandela Rhodes Scholars.
When we reviewed the period 2003 – 2005 in last year’s inaugural Yearbook of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation we could speak of solid foundations having been laid and promising starts made. Over a period of two to three years the objectives and strategies of the organisation had been established and refined; governance structures were put in place and staff appointed; and the core work of the Foundation got under way with the selection of the first group of Mandela Rhodes Scholars. A year on and we can look back on a further period in which those foundations have substantially been built upon and the promising beginnings consolidated.

As this message is being written the Foundation has just concluded the process of selecting its third group of Mandela Rhodes Scholars – those for the 2007 academic year. As is pointed out in more detail elsewhere in this Yearbook, the quality of candidates and eventually selected Scholars continues to astound and inspire. One is constantly made aware, and rightly so, of the severe shortage of high level skills in our country and on our continent, and of some serious deficiencies in our education system; this can lead to pictures of gloom and feelings of despair. The calibre of young people we encounter in this annual selection process provides real proof that the potential exists amongst them to meet those high level skills challenges.

The main objective of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is simply stated as developing exceptional leadership capacity in Africa; the 43 young Africans selected as Mandela Rhodes Scholars over these three years are living testimony that the continent has great leadership capacity to be nurtured and developed. Excluding applicants is one of the hardest parts of being associated with this process because most of the candidates fall in that category of excellent leadership material.

As will be recalled, the first group of Scholars was for practical reasons drawn from Western Cape institutions. Since then the programme has gone national and virtually all the institutions of higher education in the country are participating through the nomination of candidates. The Mandela Rhodes Foundation sees itself as a partner with the institutions in this project of developing leadership through education, and wishes to record its appreciation to them for the growing participation and the enthusiasm with which they participate. We are aware that the rigour with which we approach the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme puts additional demands on the time and capacity of institutions; we trust that the co-operation proves to be mutually beneficial and that our support of Scholars contributes to institution-building as well. A heartening feature of this expanding institutional participation is that successful candidates are increasingly emerging also from what would previously have been described as disadvantaged or peripherally located institutions.

The longer term aim of the Foundation is to extend the Scholarships programme to institutions in other parts of the continent. For purely logistical and financial reasons it is currently confined to institutions in South Africa. Without any engineering of the process or any special effort on our part we have, however, already succeeded in having citizens of other African countries selected as Mandela Rhodes Scholars. Amongst the 43 Mandela Rhodes Scholars selected thus far there are citizens from Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Swaziland and Zimbabwe, as well as South Africa.

The steady ‘normalisation’ of post-apartheid South Africa is also reflected in the un-engineered manner that our selection process produces a demographically representative group of Scholars. We have never set ourselves specific demographic targets and there has been no manipulation of the process of selection, yet we
The Chairman of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, Professor Jakes Gerwel, introduces Mr Mandela to the Mandela Rhodes Scholars of 2006 at a ceremony at Mandela House in Johannesburg.
have consistently achieved this demographic spread. As President of the country, Nelson Mandela had a favourite saying: ‘Good men and women are to be found in all communities.’ Clearly this applies to young people of intellectual and leadership quality as well. Once more the participating institutions deserve praise for their efforts in identifying and nominating such a spread of quality candidates.

The small but highly professional team at The Mandela Rhodes Foundation has done excellent work in achieving the results that are reported on in this Yearbook. Professor Rejoice Ngcogo and Ruth Andrews, the Scholarships Manager and Co-ordinator respectively, can be very proud of the Scholars that they have mentored and nurtured. General Manager Steve Thobela is the ever-steady hand in the background, with Executive Assistants Tania Arrison and Julia Brown providing the administrative solidity that keeps us functioning.

Shaun Johnson, who leads this team, had a particularly demanding year as we asked him to step into a dual role with the departure of the CEO of the Nelson Mandela Foundation (NMF). Declining remuneration from the NMF, he acted as Interim CEO of that organisation for the entire year while continuing his main role as Chief Executive of the MRF. The results have been brilliant: under his leadership in 2006 the NMF has undergone major restructuring and reorientation; a new formalised framework of co-operation has been established amongst the three Mandela organisations; and tremendous progress has been made in the crucial area of fund-raising for sustainability. And most importantly for us, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation has prospered and grown beyond even our most optimistic expectations, in the manner described in the rest of this report.

During the course of the year Mr John Samuel, formerly CEO of the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and Dr John Rowett, previously Warden of Rhodes House, retired from the Board of Trustees of the MRF. We wish to record our sincere thanks to them for the pioneering work they did for the Foundation.

Sir Colin Lucas, the new Warden and former Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University, now joins the Board of Trustees and we warmly welcome him. The relationship with the Rhodes Trust is an important one and his presence on our Board will further cement that relationship. We also recognise with appreciation the role played by outgoing Rhodes Trustee Baroness Ruth Deech.

My thanks go to fellow Trustees for their commitment to the The Mandela Rhodes Foundation and the support they have provided to Shaun Johnson and his colleagues. A special word of thanks must be recorded to the members of the Executive Committee who without fail participated in monthly meetings. I and the management team take great comfort from knowing that this committee provides the advice and exercises the oversight it does.

We are happy to report to our stakeholders, friends and associates that The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is well under way and that we are confident of a bright future rooted primarily in the quality of our young Mandela Rhodes Scholars – the future leaders of our continent.

G.J. Gerwel
Chairman, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation
Cape Town
As Chairman of the Rhodes Trust, one of the two original founding partners of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, I am delighted to welcome the second Yearbook and, even more important, to celebrate a further year of outstanding progress in the affairs of the MRF.

But there is one event I want to salute above everything: the selection of Janet Jobson, a Mandela Rhodes Scholar of 2006, as a Rhodes Scholar in the latest selection round in southern Africa. We knew that the quality of the first two cohorts of Mandela Rhodes Scholars was outstanding, and as more universities and colleges commit themselves to send candidates forward, it will only rise further. But we thought it would take much longer before we saw a Mandela Rhodes Scholar winning a Rhodes Scholarship! It validates the dream we all had when we set up the MRF. It is also an immense tribute to the staff of the MRF: most people, I think, believed it would take a much longer time before it became so spectacularly established. Under the leadership of Shaun Johnson, huge strides have been made towards securing the long-term future of the Foundation. I am sure Shaun has been helped in this by being able to point to the quality of the Scholars already elected, and the rigorous and efficient way that the MRF team goes about its business.

What The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is showing, yet again, is the immense pool of talent available in South Africa and indeed in Africa, waiting to be released by the power of good education and training. We in the Rhodes Trust are delighted to be among those who believe in South Africa and its future, and are proud that, with our partners, we have been able to make a contribution to the realisation of South Africa’s, and Africa’s, potential.

I would like to thank Ruth Deech, a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, appointed by the Rhodes Trust, who has stood down at the end of her term as a Rhodes Trustee. She has been replaced by Sir Colin Lucas, Warden of Rhodes House in Oxford and former Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University. I am delighted that Colin has agreed to bring his immense experience to bear on behalf of the MRF. In conclusion I would also like to recognise once again the role played by Dr John Rowett, former Warden of Rhodes House, in helping to bring The Mandela Rhodes Foundation into being. Dr Rowett’s period as a co-opted Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation came to an end in February of this year, and we wish him well in his endeavours.

William Waldegrave
Chairman, The Rhodes Trust
Oxford
We set specific goals for this year, the third in the existence of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation. In 2006 we decided to concentrate on:

- Developing a 10-year vision and roadmap for the MRF
- Expanding and deepening the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme
- Bringing in meaningful funds to build the sustainability of the MRF
- Fully aligning our work with that of the other two Mandela charities
- Helping to develop a structured network of Mandela Rhodes Scholars
- Designing and launching a dedicated MRF website

Happily, great progress was made on all six counts, even though there were, as is always the case, developments to be factored in that we had not prophesied at our year-end planning lekgotla in 2005. Chief among these, and it considerably changed the nature of my own working year, was the request from the Board of Trustees of our sister organisation in Johannesburg, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, that I act as Chief Executive of the NMF as well as the MRF in 2006. I will say more about this later in the review.

A 10-year vision

At Rhodes House, Oxford, in April, the Board of Trustees considered and approved a 10-year vision and roadmap whose ambitious goal – dream is probably a more accurate word – is to have 100 Mandela Rhodes Scholars in residence by the year 2012, which will mark the tenth anniversary of the announcement of the MRF partnership and the conclusion of the Rhodes Trust benefaction. The roadmap to this lofty destination (its achievement would make the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme one of Africa’s most significant) is based on planned growth stages in the size of the Scholarship programme, tied to the principle of building the Foundation’s permanent endowment at a pace which allows for the financially sustainable election of larger groups of Mandela Rhodes Scholars each year.

Of course plans of this sort seldom pan out precisely as envisaged, and this one is dependent on successive years of extremely successful fundraising, to understate the matter severely. But we have identified the peak of the mountain we wish to climb, know the paths we have to traverse on the way to the summit, and when we must walk them.

Expansion of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships

The Scholarships programme is reported on in great detail throughout this Yearbook (see especially the analysis on page 59), but these key statistics give a good indication of the expansion so far:

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This means that 43 Mandela Rhodes Scholarships have been awarded by the end of 2006.
We are extremely pleased with the consistent year-on-year growth, which is well beyond our original hopes or expectations. If one looks at the histories of other famous scholarship schemes around the world, to have reached this critical mass in the first three years is fast going indeed.

An Endowment for sustainability

It was always going to be the case that the greatest challenge in making The Mandela Rhodes Foundation dream a reality would lie in whether it was possible to raise a permanent Endowment over and above the funds preserved from the Rhodes Trust benefaction. It is a source of great pride to me that, as difficult as this task is, we are making meaningful strides.

This year alone we have brought in close to R10m in new donations, lifting our Endowment reserve to over R40m. That is, of course, a very long way short of the notional target of R350m, but the progress is steady and the fund is building. It was particularly exciting this year to see funds beginning to flow from our friends at the Nelson Mandela Legacy Trust (UK), and to welcome wonderful new partners and supporters in the form of Oxford University Press Southern Africa.

Funding comes in many forms, as we all know, but the most valuable is that which can be used to build the Endowment. It costs approximately R3.5m to endow one Mandela Rhodes Scholarship in perpetuity, and we are hopeful that others will follow the magnificent example of OUP in believing that this is one of the most productive and measurable ways of spending social responsibility money in Africa. We will knock on as many doors as we can next year with the proposition that donors choose to fund a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship (or several!).

Alignment of the Mandela charities

A breakthrough that will serve Mr Mandela’s legacy for decades to come was the signing of a detailed Memorandum of Understanding by the three Mandela charities: the Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and The Mandela Rhodes Foundation (see pages 14 – 15). This protocol sets out clearly the distinct mandate of each organisation in expressing practically a specific aspect of Mr Mandela’s great legacy, as well as mechanisms for close co-operation among these independent but interlinked institutions.

It turned out that my performing of the dual role this year as CEO of both the NMF and the MRF provided an opportunity for protracted interaction with the NMCF as well. I would like to acknowledge the effort and commitment of my colleague Sibongile Mkhabela, CEO of the Children’s Fund. We worked long and hard together, with the support and encouragement of our respective Trustees, to put together an agreement that marks an historic moment in the lives of the organisations privileged to work in the name of Mr Nelson Mandela. I also greatly look forward to working with Achmat Dangor, who takes over from me as CEO of the Nelson Mandela Foundation in 2007.
A network for Mandela Rhodes Scholars

It was clear to us from the outset of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation project that beyond the Scholarships themselves (that is, the period in which the Scholars complete their tertiary degrees), there is a seminal opportunity to build a network of outstanding young African leaders which could have an effect long after the Scholars are no longer students. I am delighted to say that the lead in this matter has been taken by the Scholars of 2005 and 2006 themselves. They are, with the backing but not the direction of the Foundation, developing a ‘Community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars’. We believe that in years to come this Community could become as important as the Scholarships themselves. It can create a network of principled African leaders drawn from extraordinarily diverse backgrounds, all joined in their commitment to the principles enshrined in the Characteristics Sought In A Mandela Rhodes Scholar (see pages 34 and 35). It will also provide a structural base for graduated Mandela Rhodes Scholars to ‘give back’, not least as mentors for successive intakes of younger Scholars.

The Mandela Rhodes website

We took a clear decision early on, in 2004, that we would bide our time in developing a dedicated website for The Mandela Rhodes Foundation. Our reasoning was that we did not want to risk being overwhelmed by traffic before we had the capacity to manage it to the high professional standards that characterise all the operations of the MRF. As a holding action the Rhodes Scholarships secretariat in South Africa, under the leadership of Justice Edwin Cameron, kindly hosted a sub-site containing basic information on the MRF (designed for us by Rhodes Scholar Mark Berman), but now we are ready to stand on our own. An internal task team has worked with service providers this year and we are confident that we will be able to launch the website, with some fanfare, to coincide with the Mandela Rhodes Trustees dinner for the 2007 Scholars, in March next year.

My colleagues and I often remark that we are extraordinarily fortunate people: it is our job, every day, to identify and then help to transform the lives and the potential of talented and principled young Africans from all walks of life. We truly believe that the shining young faces you see in the pages of this Yearbook will be making a measurable difference in their chosen spheres within a few short years. What immensely rewarding work for our small team. That team is the backbone of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, and I hope you will take a moment to go to page 20 to meet the gifted and committed individuals I am honoured to call my staff.

Of course, ‘management’ cannot do all these wonderful things without engaged and skilled Trustees and the various governance committees they appoint. I doubt that we could wish for better on this score. Our Executive Committee meets without fail every month and its deliberations are carefully recorded as we build up the institutional history of an African Foundation we hope will last for a hundred years or more. The role of the Chairman in a small organisation trying to do (very) big things is particularly crucial, and I am sincerely grateful that Professor Jakes Gerwel occupies that seat. Firm guide, wise mentor, supporter, boss, and friend: what every CEO wishes for.

This has been a very, very tough and pressurised working year and my colleagues and I are looking forward to a break and a rest over the festive season. But we are also already anticipating coming back to work – if 2006 is anything to go by, The Mandela Rhodes Building is going to be an exciting place to be in 2007.

Shaun Johnson
Chief Executive, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation
Cape Town
Public endorsements for the Mandela Rhodes Foundation

In its relatively short existence, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation has received public endorsements from a wide range of influential figures in Africa and abroad.

President Thabo Mbeki
‘This is a practical way to give expression to our Constitution’s injunction to come together across historical divides, for the benefit of present and future generations. It is a way of making history functional and alive, rather than just some inanimate thing to be looked at, and in our case lamented.’

Former President Bill Clinton
‘The Mandela Rhodes Foundation will bring some of Rhodes’ wealth back to its origins to help build the new South Africa. I am honoured to work with President Mandela on this project.’

Prime Minister Tony Blair
‘When we see the past and the present joined together … to give new life for the future, we see in that the possibility of overcoming the injustices that our world suffers.’

Former President FW de Klerk
‘I am pleased to wish The Mandela Rhodes Foundation well with its important work.’

The Senate of the United States of America
‘Shares The Mandela Rhodes Foundation’s commitment to support initiatives aimed at increasing educational opportunities, fostering leadership, and promoting human resources development throughout Africa.’
When Mr Mandela announced his retirement from public life in June 2004 – essentially a much-needed cutting back on his public duties and appearances – he clarified how his three major charities, including The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, would co-operate and fulfill their separate mandates.

At the international media conference at Mandela House in Johannesburg, he said:

‘The leaders of what we call the three Mandela legacy organisations are here today as proof and assurance that our work will continue ... We are now able to concentrate very clearly on the work of these three independent but interlinked organisations. I am very satisfied to tell you that they are in full alignment with one another, each charged with giving expression to a specific aspect of human development. The work of the three organisations is distinct, but complementary and supportive of one another.

‘I hope that you will all be as excited as I am about what will be achieved by these three highly functional and well-organised bodies working in our name. I hope you will also get a clear picture of how much care and thought has gone into aligning these structures and preparing them for playing a major role in South Africa and Africa for many years to come.’

There followed a long and rigorous period of engagement among the organisations, with a view to developing a Memorandum of Understanding to govern the relationships. This historic Memorandum was signed in Mr Mandela’s presence in Johannesburg in September 2006. The process also produced a clear graphic representation of the organisational structure of the ‘family’ of Mandela organisations (see facing page).
This Memorandum of Understanding is made this 19th day of September 2006 among The Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund of 21 Eastwold Way, Saxonwold, Johannesburg, South Africa; the Nelson Mandela Foundation of 107 Central Avenue, Houghton, Johannesburg, South Africa; and The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, of 150 St George’s Mall, Cape Town, South Africa …

The parties wish to conclude this Memorandum of Understanding to establish a formal basis for continuing and enhancing the spirit of goodwill and co-operation that exists among the organisations, while maintaining and preserving their independence and separate identities …

Each organisation is an independent charitable trust with its own Deed of Trust and structures of governance and operations …

Each organisation has a duty to discharge its own mandate as assigned to it by its Founder, Mr Nelson Mandela … Each organisation is required to conduct its operations according to best business practice and to uphold the highest standards of corporate governance …

The organisations do not observe a hierarchy of precedence or importance. Each must be regarded equally as part of the living expression and embodiment of the wishes of their common Founder.
The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is governed by an independent Board of Trustees, who give of their time on a voluntary basis and are not remunerated. The organisational structure of the Foundation may be seen in graphic form on page 22 of this review. The Foundation was brought into legal being by means of a Notarial Deed of Trust in terms of South African law, and is a charitable trust with registration number IT5164/2003. Full Trust Information may be seen on page 66 of this review. Equal numbers of Trustees are nominated by Mr Mandela and the Rhodes Trust, and the Chairmanship alternates between the Mandela Nominees and the Rhodes Nominees every five years.

As at the end of the period under review, December 2006, the Board of Trustees of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation is made up as follows:

**Mr Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela**
(Patron)

**The RT Hon Lord Fellowes**
GCB GCVO QSO
Rhodes Nominee

Robert Fellowes is Chairman of Barclays Private Banking, where he has worked since leaving Buckingham Palace after twenty-two years of service to The Queen as Assistant Private Secretary, Deputy Private Secretary and then Private Secretary. Before going to Buckingham Palace he worked in the City of London for many years. He is also a non-executive Director of SABMiller plc. He is Vice-Chairman of the Commonwealth Institute, Chairman of the Prison Reform Trust, and a Trustee of the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust. He also Chairs The Voices Foundation. Lord Fellowes has been a Rhodes Trustee since 2000, and a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

**Professor G.J. Gerwel**
(Chairman)
Mandela Nominee

Jakes Gerwel was Vice-Chancellor and Rector of the University of the Western Cape. He served as Director-General in the Office of President Mandela and Secretary of the Cabinet in the Government of National Unity. President Mandela decorated him for exceptional service to South Africa, and he holds several other honours. He is a Director of Naspers, Old Mutual, Goldfields and Distell. He is also non-executive Chairman of South African Airways, Brimstone and Africon Engineering International, as well as a member of the International Advisory Board of Independent News & Media plc. He is Chancellor of Rhodes University, and holds honorary professorships at UWC and the University of Pretoria. He is Chairman of the Human Sciences Research Council, the Nelson Mandela Foundation and the Institute for Justice and Reconciliation. He is a Director of the Peace Parks Foundation. Professor Gerwel has been founding Chairman of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.
Sir Colin Lucas  
Rhodes Nominee

Colin Lucas has been Secretary to the Rhodes Trust and Warden of Rhodes House in Oxford since 2004. Prior to that, he was Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford (1997–2004). In his earlier career he was successively Lecturer in Modern History at the Universities of Sheffield and Manchester (1965–1973), Tutorial Fellow at Balliol College, Oxford (1973–1990), Professor of History and Dean of Social Science at the University of Chicago (1990–1994), Master of Balliol College (1994–2000), and Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford (2000–2006). In addition, he is Chairman of the British Library and a Trustee of the Andrew W Mellon Foundation. He is a member of various committees to do with Higher Education in Guangdong Province (China), Hong Kong, Singapore, India and Germany. Before becoming Warden of Rhodes House, he was a Trustee of the Rhodes Trust.

Deputy President  
Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka  
Mandela Nominee

Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka was born in Durban and attended the University of Lesotho, where she obtained her Bachelor of Arts in Social Science and Education. She worked in KwaZulu-Natal as a teacher, and was a founder member and director of the Young Women's International Programme at the Young Women's Christian Association office in Geneva. She was elected as a Member of Parliament in South Africa's first democratic elections, and Chaired the Public Service and Administration Portfolio Committee. She is a member of the National Executive Committee of the African National Congress. She was appointed Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, and later promoted to Minister of Minerals and Energy, in which position she was best known for engineering a mining charter. In June this year President Thabo Mbeki appointed her Deputy President of South Africa; she is the first woman to hold the post. Deputy President Mlambo-Ngcuka has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

Justice Yvonne Mokgoro  
Mandela Nominee

Yvonne Mokgoro is a judge of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, and the current Chairperson of the South African Law (Reform) Commission. She is President of the Governing Council of Africa Legal Aid. She currently serves on a number of Boards, University Councils and other Trusts. She is Chair of Venda University Council. She served on the panel of Commonwealth judges reviewing the Kenya Constitution, and has taught Law at a number of universities in South Africa, the United Kingdom, the United States and the Netherlands. She is honorary Professor of Law at the University of the North, University of the Western Cape, University of Cape Town, University of Pretoria, and the University of South Africa. She is the recipient of other honours. She holds membership of the International Women’s Association, The International Federation of Women Lawyers and the International Association of Women Judges. Justice Mokgoro has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.
Njabulo S. Ndebele is Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University of Cape Town. He began his term of office following tenure as a Scholar in Residence at the Ford Foundation’s headquarters in New York. Prior to that he had been Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University of the North, and Vice Rector of the University of the Western Cape. Earlier positions included Chair of the Department of African Literature at the University of the Witwatersrand, and Pro Vice-Chancellor, Dean, and Head of the English Department at the National University of Lesotho. He is an award-winning author and served as President of the Congress of South African Writers. His latest novel is The Cry of Winnie Mandela. He holds honorary doctorates from several universities, and is a Fellow of UCT. He was Chair of the SA Universities Vice-Chancellor’s Association and recently became President of the Association of African Universities and Chair of the Southern African Regional Universities Association. Professor Ndebele has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.

Julian Ogilvie Thompson is a Director of De Beers SA. He was a Rhodes Scholar, and after leaving Oxford joined Anglo American Corporation in London. After his return to Johannesburg he was appointed personal assistant to Mr Harry Oppenheimer. He later became an Executive Director of Anglo American. He succeeded Mr Oppenheimer as Minorco Chairman and later as Chairman of De Beers. He was appointed Chairman of Anglo American Corporation in 1990. He led the merger of Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Limited and Minorco SA of Luxembourg as Anglo American plc, becoming Chairman and Chief Executive until July 2000, after which he continued as non-executive Chairman until November 2002. He has received several honours. He was Vice Chairman of The Urban Foundation and is now a Director of The National Business Initiative. He was a member of President Mbeki’s Big Business Council. Mr Ogilvie Thompson has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003. He is a Rhodes Trustee.

William Waldegrave is a Vice Chairman of the Investment Banking Department at UBS Investment Bank. He served as a Conservative Member of the British Parliament for close to twenty years, including sixteen years service as a Minister. Seven of these were as a Cabinet Minister (Minister of Agriculture, Chief Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of State for Health, and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster). Educated at Oxford University and Harvard, before entering Parliament he worked in the Cabinet Office in Whitehall; was Political Secretary to Prime Minister Edward Heath; and for GEC Ltd. He is Chairman of the Rhodes Trust, Chairman of the National Museum of Science and Industry, and has been a founding Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation since 2003.
Since its inception, The Mandela Rhodes Foundation has sought to be a model of good corporate governance. Each year the Board of Trustees of the Foundation appoints four Committees – Executive, Finance, Investment, and Remuneration – made up of independent outsiders of high standing as well as of Trustees of the Foundation and management. In the period under review, the members were:

**Executive Committee**

Professor G.J. Gerwel (Chair)

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

**Remuneration Committee**

Professor G.J. Gerwel (Chair)

Mr Tim Cumming  
Professor G.J. Gerwel  
Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson

**Finance Committee**

Mr Mustaq Brey (Chair)

Mustaq Brey served articles while completing a B.Compt. Hons at the University of South Africa. He qualified as a Chartered Accountant and was admitted as a partner, after which he started his own practice which evolved into the largest black auditing practice in South Africa. He was an active member of the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants, and a founder member of ABASA. He co-founded and is CEO of well-known JSE-listed empowerment company Brimstone Investment Corporation.

**Investment Committee**

Mr Tim Cumming (Chair)

Tim Cumming is MD of Old Mutual (SA) Corporate, a role he took after being Director of Global Development for Old Mutual Asset Management, and CEO of OMAM (SA). He is responsible for Old Mutual’s delivery of financial services to the corporate market. Earlier he worked at HSBC Securities (SA), Allan Gray Ltd, and Anglo American. He attended UCT and the University of Oxford, where he was a Rhodes Scholar. He has been an executive committee member of the Investment Analysts’ Society and the Fund Managers’ Association.

Professor G.J. Gerwel  
Mr Shaun Johnson
The staff complement of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation remains small, with the main focus being on the rapid development of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme. There were six full-time staff members in 2006, and with the marked annual growth in the number of Scholars, it has been decided to recruit an additional Scholarships Officer to join the existing team of the Scholarships Manager and Scholarships Co-ordinator. The new staff member will take up the post next year. The Foundation staff continue to occupy the third and fourth floors of The Mandela Rhodes Building, with the remaining floors rented to other organisations, but it is likely that the enlarged Scholarships team will relocate to the fifth floor in 2007.

The equity profile of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation staff is as follows:

**Equity profile**

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The staff of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation represents a diverse range of South Africans, bringing to bear the specific skills required in each portfolio.
Mr Shaun Johnson  
(Chief Executive)

Shaun Johnson is an award-winning writer and former newspaper editor, and was Deputy Chief Executive of Independent News & Media. He is a member of Independent News & Media plc’s International Advisory Board, and is Chairman of the Cape Town Partnership. He was educated at Hyde Park High School, Rhodes University, and at the University of Oxford where he was a Rhodes Scholar (South Africa-at-Large, 1982). He has received various academic and sporting awards. He was involved in the alternative press in the 1970s and 1980s. His first novel, *The Native Commissioner*, was published by Penguin books to critical acclaim in South Africa and Europe in 2006. He became Chief Executive of the MRF in 2003.

Mrs Ruth Andrews  
(Scholarship Co-ordinator)

Ruth Andrews was born in Cape Town and attended Livingstone Senior Secondary School. Thereafter she was engaged in entrepreneurial activities as well as community development and NGO work. She completed a B.A. degree majoring in Leadership, and is currently completing an Honours degree at Stellenbosch in Community Development. She was employed at Cornerstone College, and serves on the board of the NGO *Ons Plek*. Ms Andrews joined The Mandela Rhodes Foundation as Scholarships Co-ordinator in November 2005.

Mr Mvuleni Stephens Thobela  
(General Manager)

Steve Thobela started his career as a typographer, and served as the regional Chairman of the Media Workers Association of South Africa. He worked in the production departments of Perskor, the *Sowetan* and The Newspaper Printing Company before becoming Operations Manager of Independent Newspapers Cape. He holds a Christian Ministry Diploma, and founded and pastored the Grace Church Soshanguve and the Grace Berean Church Tshepisong in Krugersdorp. He holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree and is currently studying for his MBA. Mr Thobela joined the MRF as General Manager in June 2004.

Ms Tania Arrison  
(Executive Assistant)

Tania Arrison joined the Office of the President of South Africa in 1994, shortly after the assumption of office by the new democratic government, and served President Nelson Mandela until July 1999. She then joined Media24 as Assistant to the Corporate Affairs Manager, and was later appointed project co-ordinator for Media in the Classroom, promoting journalism and establishing a reading and learning culture in South Africa. Ms Arrison joined The Mandela Rhodes Foundation as Executive Assistant in the Office of the Chairman in June 2004.

Mrs Julia Brown  
(Executive Assistant)

Julia Brown matriculated from St Cyprians, Cape Town, in 1990. She went on to study public relations and then marketing before starting her career at Pick ’n Pay in Centre Management. She went on to manage the Howard Shopping Centre in Pinelands before moving into PR and media. In 1999, she joined Global Conferences where she spent the next seven years as personal assistant to the Managing Director and as a Conference Co-ordinator. In March of 2006, Mrs Brown joined The Mandela Rhodes Foundation as Executive Assistant in the office of the Chief Executive.

Professor Rejoice Ngcongo  
(Scholarships Manager)

Rejoice Ngcongo served as a high school educator and principal in the 1970s and 1980s. She later joined the Faculty of Education at the University of Zululand and became a Professor of Education Management at the University. She served as Deputy President of the then Natal African Teachers’ Union, working with member educators to promote quality teaching. She holds a Secondary Teachers Diploma, a Bachelor of Social Science, a Masters, and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership. Professor Ngcongo joined The Mandela Rhodes Foundation as Scholarships Manager in August 2004.
The Mandela Rhodes Building

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation continues to enjoy the great privilege of having its headquarters housed in The Mandela Rhodes Building, 150 St George’s Mall, Cape Town. This magnificent and historic building was designed by Sir Herbert Baker for De Beers at the behest of Cecil John Rhodes in 1902. It stands at the corner of St George’s Mall and Wale Street, with commanding views of Table Mountain, Parliament, and St George’s Cathedral.

In an extraordinary supportive gesture for The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, De Beers Chairman Mr Nicky Oppenheimer and his colleagues decided in 2003 to donate the building to the Foundation as its permanent base. The building is self-managed by the Foundation, and is self-funding as several floors are rented to like-minded organisations. It includes excellent meeting facilities, as well as a guest apartment which has been named the Julian Ogilvie Thompson Suite in recognition of the exceptional contribution to the development of the Foundation by one of our founding Trustees. The MRF maintains courtesy office facilities in the building for the Nelson Mandela Foundation and the Rhodes Trust, and enjoys the reciprocal privilege in Johannesburg and in Oxford.

The Mandela Rhodes Building is now surrounded by a newly-opened residential and commercial development, and the Foundation gave permission for the area to be generically referred to as ‘Mandela Rhodes Place’. The Foundation has no commercial interest in the development, but has benefited greatly in terms of the public awareness created for the area – there are few Capetonians who remain unfamiliar with the Mandela Rhodes ‘brand’.
Milestones of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation

As was the case in the previous two years of the MRF’s existence, 2006 was packed with milestone events in the life of the Foundation. In the following pages these milestones are captured in pictorial form, providing a chronological record of the moments that defined the year 2006 for The Mandela Rhodes Foundation. Appropriately, the series of images begin with the introduction of the 2006 cohort of Mandela Rhodes Scholars to Mr Mandela, and ends with the election of the new group of Mandela Rhodes Scholars for 2007.

January 2006
The 2006 Scholars meet Mr Mandela

The 15 Mandela Rhodes Scholars elected for the year 2006 gather at Mandela House in Johannesburg to be introduced to the Patron. Mr Mandela has encouraging words for each of the Scholars, and expresses the hope that as the year begins in earnest, they will do as well as their forerunners in 2005.
**February 2006**

Launch of Mandela Rhodes ‘Class of 2006’

Once again the annual launch of the new group of Mandela Rhodes Scholars attracts widespread attention, with both print and broadcast media covering the event extensively around South Africa. Several new Scholars are also interviewed individually, being presented as role models for young students to aspire towards emulating.

**February 2006**

MRF CEO to assist NMF

The CEO of the MRF is asked to become Interim Chief Executive of the Nelson Mandela Foundation in Johannesburg, as a review process gets under way as part of moves to more clearly align the institutions that constitute the ‘family of Mandela legacy organisations’. For 2006, he will divide his time between the MRF in Cape Town and the NMF in Johannesburg.

**February 2006**

Scholars’ leadership training begins

The 2006 Mandela Rhodes Scholars go ‘on retreat’ in Cape Town for their first foundation course, designed to help those in the group get to know one another before their academic year begins in earnest – and to introduce them to the facilitated leadership training courses that are an essential component of a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship.
April 2006
Fifth meeting of the Board of Trustees

The Trustees of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation gather at Rhodes House, Oxford, for the fifth meeting of the Board. The Trustees approve a ‘10-year vision’ for the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme, and express great satisfaction with the development of the Foundation. Appreciation is recorded to Dr John Rowett and Mr John Samuel, whose period as co-opted Trustees of the MRF comes to an end.

April 2006
Scholars attend reconciliation retreat

The Mandela Rhodes Scholars 2006 gather together again in Cape Town to participate in a special course on reconciliation as an underpinning principle of the MRF. In addition to Scholarship Manager Professor Rejoice Ngcongo and her staff, expert outside facilitators are brought in, including Professor Pumla Gobodo-Madikizela.
May 2006
Mr Mandela thanks supporters in UK

Mr Mandela visits supporters of the MRF and its sister organisations, the Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund and the Nelson Mandela Foundation, in the United Kingdom. Mr Niall FitzGerald, Chairman of the Nelson Mandela Legacy Trust (UK), hosts a celebratory luncheon at his home. NMLT (UK) Trustee Sir Nicholas Stern greets Mr Mandela

July 2006
Oxford University Press underwrites MR Scholarship

At a ceremony at Mandela House, the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford, Dr John Hood, presents a cheque for R3.5m to Mr Mandela on behalf of Oxford University Press Southern Africa. OUP has decided to underwrite a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship in perpetuity as part of its corporate social responsibility programme
July 2006
MRF participates in Nelson Mandela Annual Lecture

The MRF is invited by its sister organisation, the NMF, to participate in the organisation of the 2006 Nelson Mandela Annual Lecture. The lecture is delivered by President Thabo Mbeki, and receives worldwide attention.

September 2006
MR Scholars address BoE fundraising dinner

BoE Private Clients and Maserati designate the MRF as beneficiary of their charity auction dinner in Johannesburg, and the gala evening is addressed by Mandela Rhodes Scholars Janet Jobson and Nyasha Chigwamba. They receive a tremendous response, and some R400,000.00 is raised for the MRF on the night.
September 2006
Mandela Rhodes ‘Community of Scholars’

At their fourth group leadership retreat of the year, the Mandela Rhodes Scholars discuss the formation of a ‘Community of Scholars’ as a productive network of Mandela Rhodes Scholars past and present. Professor Brian O’Connell, Vice-Chancellor of the University of the Western Cape, is the guest keynote speaker.

September 2006
Memorandum of Understanding signed

In the presence of the Patron, Mr Mandela, the three Mandela charity organisations sign a Memorandum of Understanding establishing new levels of co-operation among the three independently constituted bodies, the Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and The Mandela Rhodes Foundation.
September 2006
MRF attends US Rhodes Scholar event

At the invitation of the American Association of Rhodes Scholars, MRF Scholarships Co-ordinator Ruth Andrews attends the annual ‘Bon Voyage Weekend’ in Washington DC and updates American Rhodes Scholars on progress with the Foundation. With John Morrison, President of the AARS is Danielle Fontaine, Secretary of the Friends of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation in the USA

October 2006
First meeting of MRF Partner-Mentors

The MRF Scholarships Manager convenes a meeting of volunteers who will form the first group of ‘Partner-Mentors’, to assist with the mentoring of the large group of Scholars elected for 2007. The group meets at The Mandela Rhodes Building and then spends a weekend together planning the innovative system that will greatly increase the Foundation’s mentoring capacity – a critical element of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships
November 2006
Election of Mandela Rhodes Scholars 2007

For the third year, a high-powered selection committee, including eminent individuals independent of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, is convened to elect the next year’s group of Mandela Rhodes Scholars. Joining the panel this year, along with the MRF’s Chairman Professor Jakes Gerwel, staffers Mr Shaun Johnson and Professor Rejoice Ngcongo, are Mr Ahmed Kathrada, Mrs Margie Keeton, Mrs Irene Menell, and Mrs Sibongile Mkhabela

November 2006
MRF prepares to launch dedicated website

The MRF prepares to launch a dedicated website in 2007. The Rhodes Trust in South Africa had kindly hosted a ‘holding’ MRF website while the new site was developed and tested – and the Foundation put in place measures to ensure it has the capacity to manage what is expected to be large volumes of traffic, especially regarding queries about the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships
The Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme

It remains the aim of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation to build Africa’s most aspired-after and effective scholarships at tertiary level. Mandela Rhodes Scholarships are tenable at qualified African institutions of higher learning, offering unique educational, mentorship and leadership training opportunities to talented young Africans who display the potential evoked in the document Characteristics Sought in a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, on pages 34 and 35 of this Yearbook. The other founding documents which underpin the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme, including the Terms & Conditions of a Scholarship, are available from the Foundation. In the year under review, the Scholarships programme went national in South Africa.

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme is further distinguished by a rigorous nomination and selection system, which occurs over several months of each year, culminating in the selection of the cohort of Scholars for the following academic year.

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarships Selection Committee 2005/6

The second Mandela Rhodes Scholarships selection committee, charged with choosing 15 Scholars from a high-quality shortlist of 22 (itself drawn from 50 nominations), gathered in the Boardroom of The Mandela Rhodes Building in Cape Town on 1 and 2 November 2006. Professor Jakes Gerwel, Chairman of the Foundation, was in the Chair once more, joined on the panel by Mandela Rhodes staffers Mr Shaun Johnson and Professor Rejoice Ngcono. The remaining seven selectors’ seats were occupied by eminent individuals independent of the Foundation, whose biographies appear alongside.
Justice L.W.H. Ackermann
Lourens (Laurie) Ackermann studied at Stellenbosch and at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar. He practised subsequently as a Senior Counsel. He was appointed to the Supreme Court, and the first Constitutional Court of South Africa, and also served in Lesotho and Namibia. He was SA Secretary of the Rhodes Trust. He chairs the SA Institute for Advanced Constitutional, Public, Human Rights and International Law.

Professor Wilmot James
Wilmot James is Executive Director of the Africa Genome Education Institute and Honorary Professor in the Division of Genetics at UCT. He is Chairman of the Immigration Advisory Board, a Trustee of the Ford Foundation, and involved with several other organisations. He holds a PhD in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and has published 13 books.

Mrs Margie Keeton
Margie Keeton completed a BA Hons at Rhodes University, and an M.Phil at the University of Oxford, where she was a Rhodes Scholar. Her career has been devoted to the development arena addressing needs in education, HIV/AIDS, welfare, skills training and community development. As the CEO of Tshikululu Social Investments she administers the dedicated corporate social investment funds of several major companies in South Africa.

Ms Shakila Maharaj
Shakila Maharaj is an Organisational Psychologist. She has experience locally and internationally. Her passion lies in the advocacy of disability and gender equity. Her consulting practice serves prominent clients. She serves on the board of KZN Society for the Blind and SA Library for the Blind. As a member of Innovative People Solutions CC she is involved in product development and interventions.

Mrs Irene Menell
Irene Menell is involved in a number of Public Benefit Organisations and serves on the Boards of the Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, the UCT Foundation, the Institute for the Advancement of Journalism, the Human Rights Institute, and READ, among others. Mrs Menell has had a lifelong interest in the performing arts, education, and issues relating to children’s rights.

Mr John Samuel
John Samuel has worked in Ghana, Zambia, England and South Africa as an educationalist and administrator. He was Deputy-Director General in Education in South Africa, and Head of Education of the ANC. He was National Director of the SACHED Trust, an executive at the Kellogg Foundation, and later Chief Executive of the Nelson Mandela Foundation and a Trustee of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation.

Mr Isaac Shongwe
Isaac Shongwe founded Letsema Consulting Company, and is Founder and Chairman of Letsema Investments. He is Executive Director of Business Development and Transformation at Barloworld Logistics Africa, and a member of several Boards. He is Chairman of the Africa Leadership Initiative in South Africa, and a member of the Young Presidents Organisation. He attended the University of Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.
Among the most important of the ‘founding documents’ underpinning the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships is The Characteristics Sought In A Mandela Rhodes Scholar, a careful synthesis of key principles espoused by Mr Mandela in his lifetime, and character traits highlighted by Cecil Rhodes in the Will which brought into being the Rhodes Scholarships. The intention of this four-part document is twofold: to provide clear guidance in perpetuity for committees selecting Mandela Rhodes Scholars, and to educate generations of aspirant Mandela Rhodes Scholars about what is expected of them should they win the Scholarship. It is intended as an aspirational ‘call to action’ for young African leaders.

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 fulfillment, 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, kindliness, 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 Mandela Rhodes Scholars 2006

Rachel Adams
University of Cape Town
BSoSc (Hon) Anthropology

Rachel Adams was born on 9 March 1981 in Gweru, Zimbabwe. She has held various leadership positions including President of her High School Interact Club and Deputy Head Girl at Thornhill High School. Rachel received many awards in high school and at university, including the Dean’s Merit List two years running. She has shown keen interest in social and political issues, as well as in research.

What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?
It is a profound blessing that I was awarded a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship. The symbolic and practical value is something that I do not take for granted and I constantly experience the privilege of being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Practically, the Scholarship allowed me to continue with my studies. Beyond this, and I think even more importantly, the Scholarship has offered a support base through mentorship.

It was through Rejoice Ngcono that I experienced the human hand of the Scholarship and learnt what it is to tirelessly give of yourself to people that you obviously believe in. Seeing the time invested in me and the quality and sacredness of the communication, I began to latch on to the vision of the Foundation. Being able to rub shoulders with men and women who value above all the dignity and meaning of human life, and who are dedicated to their various communities, has been symbolic of the quality of life that I am now convinced I must aspire to.

How do you see your future role in Africa?
I am not only a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. I am now a committed citizen of the world, of Africa, and of my beloved country Zimbabwe. Through the Scholarship my life has been awakened to its significance on this earth. I am encouraged that in my desire to see the spiritual, mental, physical and material upliftment of my fellow African citizens, I am not alone. I stand together with the Scholars of 2006. And as that enlightened man Mahatma Gandhi would have advised, I will be the change that I desire to see.

And what a relief and joy to know that in my own integrity and consciousness, and in communication with those around me, lies the ability to change those very things which I strongly sense are demeaning of life. I thank my new friends, my new extended family, my great mentors and advisers. In you, the Mandela Rhodes family, I have discovered a new pillar of strength.

Rachel Adams
Nyasha Chigwamba
Rhodes University
MSc Computer Science

Nyasha Chigwamba was born on 2 August 1983 in Harare, Zimbabwe. His leadership abilities were recognised at school as a prefect, while at university he was appointed as Class Representative for Mathematics, Sub-Warden for Botha House, and a Computer Science tutor. He has also earned awards for academic prowess, including a Zimbabwe Government Ministry Scholarship, an Honours Scholarship, Graduate Assistant Bursary, and Alfred Beit Scholarship.

**What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?**

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has made me more conscious of the importance of understanding myself as an individual, before focusing on others who may be collaborating with me in achieving a common goal. While the financial benefits have helped me to get to where I am, I have gained much more than that from the mentoring programme and the scheduled courses for Mandela Rhodes Scholars as a group. As an individual, I have started thinking about various issues related to my life’s personal purpose, deeply influenced by the various activities that I have participated in as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar.

**How do you see your future role in Africa?**

I am passionate about seeing Africa achieve some technological breakthroughs in Information and Communication Technologies (ICT). I want to be part of helping to create a continent that is respected for its potential in introducing novel solutions to the global technology arena.

**What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?**

Meeting with the rest of the family of Mandela Rhodes Scholars, sharing with and learning from them, count among the highlights. The Leadership and Reconciliation workshops also stand out for me because they got me to engage with issues that our society faces. I also got the opportunity, thanks to The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, to present a research paper at a conference in Paris. This was the first time I travelled outside Africa, and the main highlight was meeting in person someone who has steered my current research in a different direction by making me consider issues that I hadn't taken into account before. I am grateful to have been given such an opportunity.

And of course, meeting the Patron of the Foundation, Mr Mandela, was an unbelievable experience. Thus far, worldwide, he is the greatest man that I have met. It was an exciting moment in my life that I will always remember!

*Nyasha Chigwamba*
What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

To say that being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar is a journey that has transformed my life is a truism, but one I find necessary to state. It is impossible in a short summation to quantify this, but I am willing to try. A gift that I have received in walking this path is an invaluable knowledge of self, not only of the strengths inherent in me but also of the weaknesses that stand in the way of the achievement of my life’s purpose. In walking my life’s path, I do so grounded in the knowledge of my reality, rooted in the consciousness of the choices I make and humbled to walk alongside my fellow humans. I have come to learn that tapping into my inherent energies is the sum total of what I need as I try to lead and self-lead throughout the ventures that I will undertake.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

Asking myself what I see in my future role in Africa, I would assertively state that I see myself in the service of the girl-child. In trying to advocate for perceptual change in who we – as women – perceive ourselves to be, I believe that this starts with the individual. Self-assuredness and confidence of self, are among the best ways in which women can change their status in society. Clearly, there is no better way to do this than to ensure that the mediation of the female identity that the girl-child receives as she grows, conveys the reality of women that we want it to.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

One of the most important highlights has been the moments that I have had to share, learn and grow with my fellow Mandela Rhodes Scholars.

Zethu Dlamini
What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

‘Truth gains more even by the errors of one who … thinks for himself, than by the true opinions of those who only hold them because they do not suffer themselves to think. There have been … great individual thinkers in a general atmosphere of mental slavery. But there never has been, nor will be, in that atmosphere an intellectually active people.’ This quote from John Stuart Mill helps me to answer the question. The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has provided me with a platform to be introspective and aware, and also to make mistakes but claim them as my own.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

I will do the best I can. I will never become a prominent figure but I will promote equality and I will strive to create some form of justice and harmony within my surroundings. I see education as a fundamental tool for both individual and communal growth not only in South Africa but on the entire African continent, keeping in mind that it is not the knowledge that is transforming in itself, but how that very knowledge is used.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

Life has continued with its usual trials and tribulations, but I have been equipped with certain tools to negotiate personal hurdles. The most prominent is the realisation that despite feeling despondent about certain aspects of my past, I can use these feelings in a positive manner. They are no longer a hindrance but an accepted part of my existence.

Regarding our Patron Mr Mandela, you hear the name, you know the myth, you are aware of the symbol, but somehow you are oblivious to his intrinsic humanity. I waited in anticipation for my fifteen seconds of fame (and the photograph to prove it!) and realised, that which makes a great man is his ability, regardless of his position, to make you feel at ease, unique and significant as a human being.

Chet Fransch
What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship programme has been a remarkable experience. It has contributed to my growth both as a leader and as an individual by providing me with a space to identify and focus on my purpose and goals in life, and my role in the life of our country. I have become conscious that I have a leadership role to play in my everyday life, and not only when I occupy positions of leadership. As the first of (hopefully) many disabled Scholars I have also been conscious of my role in raising awareness in the organisation, and have been superbly supported by the Foundation so that I have been able to freely participate in the Scholarship programme. The MRF and its Scholarship programme is an outstanding example of the inclusive society we are trying to build in the new South Africa.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

I plan to play a role in the development of our country by helping to build the capacity of civil society and community-based organisations to identify, articulate and respond to the needs of communities. This is essential to empower the majority of our people to reclaim and celebrate their dignity. I also hope to play a role in the disability movement. Disabled people continue to be the most marginalised and discriminated against group in South Africa.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

The highlight of the Scholarship has undoubtedly been the opportunity to spend time with the other Scholars. It is hard to imagine any group with a more diverse set of identities, backgrounds and experiences of the world – and we have undoubtedly become a community over the last year. We have not had to compromise our diversity to achieve cohesion; rather the celebration of diversity is predicated on the deep-seated respect that Scholars have for one another. The opportunity to find oneself in, and with, human beings of this calibre has been of indescribable value.

Tristan Görgens
What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

The impact of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship on me is difficult to express. Through interactions with Foundation staff and other Scholars I have been inspired, motivated and empowered to act with courage, purposefulness and love in following my vision. This Scholarship has transformed my undefined passions, and helped me harness them through understanding what my purpose is at this time in my life.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

Africa is uniquely placed in the world – it has the creativity, ability and opportunity to pursue innovative strategies for development that see people and the environment as their central concern. I see myself making a contribution in this regard. Africa has the potential to harness its energies to make a lasting positive impact on the way that global systems function. This is my vision, and one that I will strive to help make a reality.

Janet Jobson
Rhodes University
BA (Hon) History

Janet was born in Johannesburg on 24 June 1984. She attended Pretoria High School for Girls before enrolling at Rhodes University, Grahamstown. She has held various leadership positions, including Vice-Chair of the Rhodes University Amnesty International group. Janet’s academic achievements, honours and awards are numerous and include PHSG Honours for Drama and Runner-up in the Sunday Times GetWise Top Achievers award for Leadership.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

The major highlight has been getting to know the incredible Scholars I have shared this journey with. They are a unique, diverse, and inspiring group of young Africans that reaffirm my faith in the strength, ability and creativity of Africa’s young people. I have shared wonderful and frustrating experiences with this year’s Scholars: debating political, personal and religious issues; brainstorming the Mandela Rhodes Community of Scholars; and sharing personal hopes, fears, triumphs and disappointments in a space of support and love. It is a wonderful gift to have shared this year with my fellow Scholars – I am so grateful to each of them.

And of course, meeting our Patron. It was not so much the actual moment of meeting Mr Mandela that has left its mark on me – but rather, just having been in his presence. Even in those few moments I learnt so much from him – his grace, ability to connect with individuals, and genuine care for everyone in the room was clearly evident.

Janet Jobson
What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

I had hoped to find better words to express the life-changing, authentic transformation which I have witnessed in myself since my election. A state of consciousness that stays with me when I am on my own, but reinvigorated every time I interact directly with The Mandela Rhodes Foundation through the leadership and reconciliation workshops, the mentorship by the ‘Mother of Scholars’ (Rejoice), and frequent liaison with my future ‘Director-General’ (Ruth).

How do you see your future role in Africa?

However I look at it, I see that Africans have made indisputable gains in respect of freedom, and what we need now is the ‘freeing of mind’, done in such a manner that will enhance each individual’s reconciliation of the retrospect with the prospect. Only then shall Africa unleash her full potential. It is a noble goal which I am geared to pursue through supporting individuals to make sense of their own potential in relation to their world – through career guidance as a way of life, on my small part.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

Meeting the other Mandela Rhodes Scholars; disclosing my own learning that ‘it is not my experience that is important but what I do with my experience’; this has been the greatest gift I have acquired through meeting, sharing and learning from other Scholars’ experiences, otherwise unknown to me. The awareness that there is always a place where you can get love and acknowledgement is fulfilling – this is what I make of my relationship with The Mandela Rhodes Foundation.

Thando Mgqolozana
Nonkululeko Ngidi
University of Zululand
BCom (Hon) Economics

Nonkululeko was born on 11 August 1986 in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. She attended Russell High School where she was Captain of the Volleyball team and a School Monitor. Nonkululeko has held various leadership positions including Youth Treasurer at the Arc of God Covenant Church, executive member in a community development project and Student Assistant in Quantitative Modules. She is also a member of a Black Management Forum.

What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has meant growth in all aspects of my life; the awareness that my life is motivated and guided by a purpose, and a deepened understanding of leadership in the form of authentic service, as reflected by my mentors Rejoice and Ruth. It has also meant ‘embracing the past with all it imperfections’, dedicating oneself to do one’s best today and ‘holding uncertainties’ (Mandela Rhodes Scholar Tristan Görgens, 2006) about the future, all with the purpose of promoting the prosperity of humankind.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

With knowledge and understanding of the socio-economic needs of my continent, accompanied by the passion that I have for my field of study, I see myself contributing in filling the gap and enhancing the economic and personal wealth of my continent and its people. This I will strive to achieve through my career as an economist, and by participating in the business sector through which I will contribute to job creation and skills development – fundamentally needed to improve the living standards of my people.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

Among other things it has been the opportunity of meeting the other Scholars, who have grown to be my second family. These great future leaders are my brothers and sisters who have inspired, motivated, and encouraged and reminded me to be the best I can. I appreciate the courses that the Foundation has offered; the powerful tools which continue to mould and unleash my optimum human capacity as a young, proudly South African woman.

Nonkululeko Ngidi
Pie-Pacifique Kabalira-Uwase
University of KwaZulu-Natal
BSc (Hon) Physics & Computers

Pie-Pacifique was born in Rwanda on 21 August 1980. He attended Kigali-Rwanda High School before making his way to South Africa as a refugee in 2001. At school he finished among Rwanda’s top 25 science students and received several awards. Leadership roles include founder, UKZN Physics Society, Alternatives to Violence Projects workshops facilitator, adviser to the Union of Refugee Women, and youth representative on the Refugee Parents Council, Durban.

What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?
I have found that the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme does not have some sort of pre-set ‘standard’ that I had to match at all costs, but rather gives experiential support to awaken myself to my own state and growth edges, and is a source of inspiration to creatively raise my own bar with purpose – especially with regard to my intentions in creating what I want for myself and for the continent I hold so dear.

How do you see your future role in Africa?
Being as human as I am, and with my experiences, I will try to live my life impeccably and with clear intentions, not only for myself, but for my fellow Africans – bringing myself fully into the world. I particularly want to empower myself so I can empower others to be proactive in and with life, rather than surrendering to fate as victims or to destiny as lucky, powerless creatures.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?
My highlights as a Scholar include the challenging content and experience of the Reconciliation and Leadership workshops. Also, meeting other Scholars was nourishing, as they all have different backgrounds, and have shared uniquely different experiences and ways of looking at things. Also, meeting Mr Mandela was a great privilege for me. He has such warmth; I felt extremely grateful and so inspired by just being in the same room as he! I recall little of the whole event though (except the handshake of course!), as I really felt suffocated by the presence of everyone especially the media, while I wanted to fully experience one of the most precious moments of my life.

Pie-Pacifique Kabalira-Uwase
Melika Singh
University of KwaZulu-Natal
MSoeSe Industrial Psychology

Melika was born on 23 September 1983 in Newcastle, KwaZulu-Natal. She attended Raisethorpe Secondary School in Pietermaritzburg where she was a prefect and took part in various Olympiads. At university her leadership roles have included the UKZN Orientation Programme, Peer Education, membership of Amnesty International, the SA Students' Congress, Golden Key International, and the Black Management Forum. Melika is a published writer and chairs the Treatment Action Campaign at UKZN.

What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship means a great deal to me as it is not just a scholarship, it is a continuation of the legacy of one of the greatest human beings the world has had the privilege to witness, Mr Nelson Mandela. Mr Mandela has always been my inspiration and to receive such an opportunity in his name is very humbling; I am honoured and hope to work for Africa as he has and continues to do. I believe that this is the best way to honour him.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

My future role in Africa lies without a doubt in the areas of development and the fight against poverty. I see myself working towards ‘Making Poverty History’ and hopefully contributing to many positive changes to our great continent and our world.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

The personal growth I have experienced this year has been incredible. There have been many highlights, the greatest being meeting Madiba of course. Another highlight has been the relationships that we as Scholars have formed. I believe that this is where I have derived the most benefit from being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar. Interacting with my fellow ‘Eaglets’ has been uplifting, inspiring and very beneficial! But meeting Madiba was an extraordinary experience for me. It is difficult to describe how I felt meeting the person that I admire and love enormously, but I can say that it was very moving and inspiring for me. I want to thank the Mandela Rhodes Foundation for this incredible opportunity, I am forever grateful.

Melika Singh
Nkazi Sokhulu
University of Cape Town
BCom (Hon) Finance

Nkazi was born on 19 December 1984 in Durban. He was the first black Head Prefect at his school. At university he has been Smuts Hall Head Student, Orientation Leaders’ Trainer, and Academic Representative of UCT on the Head Students’ Council. He is a Township Debating Facilitator and a UCT Black Management Forum Volunteer. His awards include the Smuts Award, the Dean’s List, and a UCT Academic Scholarship.

What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

Being awarded a Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has given me the opportunity to honour my parents for all the hard work they put into raising an independent thinking individual, with the limited resources they had. It has been a source of pride in my community of Gamalakhe. I hope that my receiving this Scholarship will inspire others who come from a similar background to realise that South Africa is a country full of opportunities for those who seek them earnestly.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

My theme in 2006 has been: ‘From those to whom much is given, much is expected.’ I plan to remember this for the rest of my life. The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has equipped me with various skills that have contributed to moulding me into a well-rounded leader of today and tomorrow. I plan to immerse myself in the world of management consulting and, through that, to take part in projects around Africa that look to developing the continent into an economic powerhouse. I hope to be at the forefront of this transformation, this visible and impactful change.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

The opportunity to learn from experienced leaders such as the ones we were exposed to during the various leadership courses held throughout the year, was indeed a great learning curve. Their insight has proven to be very valuable, as I apply some of their advice in my everyday life. What truly has been amazing has been my fellow community of Mandela Rhodes Scholars; just to be in the presence of such great individuals has been in itself an honour. I trust that we have established long-lasting friendships.

Nkazi Sokhulu
Vincent van Bever Donker  
University of the Western Cape  
MA English Literature

Vincent was born on 11 March 1983 in Cape Town. He attended Westerford High School. His awards include the Linnaeus Palme Exchange Programme, a Babette Taute Undergraduate Scholarship, and making the Dean’s List for two years running. He is also a member of the Golden Key International Honours Society. His leadership roles include volunteering at Think Twice, being a member of a youth group and running children's clubs.

What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

Receiving the Mandela Rhodes scholarship has meant much more to me than simply providing needed funding for my studies. Through the training and mentoring that is intrinsic to the Scholarship, I have grown in my ability and confidence as a leader. My self-understanding has deepened and, as a result, my vision for my contribution to South Africa has grown in clarity and purposefulness. I am now better equipped and motivated to be a positive leadership influence in my field and community.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

My vision for the contribution that I want to make to Africa is to be an agent of change and transformation through lecturing, research, and community involvement. It is not only through the research I will undertake and the material

I shall teach my students that I will be such an agent (although hopefully that will be original and challenging), but also, importantly, through the type of teacher and researcher I will be. I will conduct myself in my field in a manner that provides for the realisation of individuals’ potential.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

The highlight so far has definitely been the mid-year retreat with all the Scholars. The depth and quality of engagement that I experienced with them was fantastic. Each Scholar, and mentor and facilitator, is a brilliant, wonderful person and getting to know them more intimately was a thoroughly enjoyable and life-changing experience.

Vincent van Bever Donker
What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?

Not only has this Scholarship enabled me to further my studies, it has also given me new vision for my life. I have realised that my opinions are important and that this can make a difference not only in my life, but also in the lives of others. I am now more comfortable speaking my mind in a group situation and I have also learnt how to really listen to other people and to evaluate their input. The other Scholars have also given me even more hope for the future of this country, and indeed the world, as I know that although we have our individual differences of opinion, we still share an important vision: to better the lives of everyone on this continent and to show the world what Africa is capable of achieving.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

I see myself teaching the art of music to all races, genders and age groups, hence bettering the quality of not only musicians but also of audiences in Africa. I believe I have the potential to help turn the now struggling arts industry around, thus ensuring the future of the arts, especially music, for the continent.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

For me the highlights of this year definitely have to be all the meetings we as Scholars shared with each other. I believe we are a wonderful group of people with lots and lots of potential. We are truly on our way to building exceptional leadership capacity in Africa.

Piet van Rooyen
Luzelle Yon
University of Stellenbosch
MPhil Political Management

Luzelle was born in Walvis Bay, Namibia, on 29 December 1984. She served on the ANC Youth League executive at Stellenbosch, attended the Telkom Women in Leadership Conference, and served on an SRC Sub-Committee. She was selected for a USA Student Leadership tour, and was Youth Leader in her local religious institution. Academic awards include being among the Top Achievers in the Humanities. She was also awarded Golden Key membership.

**What has the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship meant to you?**

The exceptional excellence of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme lies in the supplementary courses that are central to the programme. These constitute the leadership courses and the mentoring. These supplementary courses played a positive enforcing role in my year as a Scholar thus far. The leadership programmes, especially, sharpened my sense of critical engagement with the world within and around me. And this has been an invaluable gift that the Scholarship has given to me, as this continues to facilitate positive action through hope, clarity and growth in my life.

**How do you see your future role in Africa?**

Martin Luther King Jr once said ‘not everyone can be famous, but everyone can be great who serves others’. Thus, greatness comes through service, and I believe that great leaders have a heart to serve, a heart to grow and let grow. I thus see myself in service of my community, our people and our continent, through being part of the forces of real development through empowerment.

**What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?**

I expected the reconciliation course that the Scholars attended in April 2006 to be very similar to other courses of this nature that I have attended previously. I was, however, positively surprised, as it turned out to be one of the special memories that I will carry with me into the future. This course, facilitated by one of the TRC commissioners, Professor Gobodo-Madikizela, was an intense personal experience for me that continued beyond that weekend. For me, the themes of trauma, healing and reconciliation, spoke to the very heart and soul of my being. The interactions with the Scholars, all brilliant young individuals, as well as with Professor Ngcogo and Ruth Andrews at the Foundation, also continue to be a highlight every time.

**Luzelle Yon**
Bongumusa Zuma
Rhodes University
BSc (Hon) Biochemistry

Bongumusa was born on 16 October 1982 in Empangeni. His high school education was completed at Tisand Technical High School in Esikhawini. Bongumusa’s achievements have included Best Performing Student in Biochemistry and Best Physical Science Student in Grade 12. He also received a Maths distinction award in Grade 12. He has explored his leadership potential at university as a committee member of the University of Zululand House.

What has being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar meant to you?

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has made me realise that leadership exists within most of us, but it needs nurturing to evolve into a powerful tool. This came about by the Foundation focusing mainly on our dreams, self-understanding, realising our dreams and purposes. This experience has also made me realise the power and the creativity of young people working passionately together, and I believe that Africa needs such collaboration. As Mr Mandela has said, ‘the state without youth is like a dead state’, which means that for Africa to become world-class, young Africans have to work together. Being offered this Scholarship, and learning from other Scholars and our mentors, is helping me to realise the potential we have to uplift Africa.

How do you see your future role in Africa?

My personal dream is tied to my professional dream, which is to become one of South Africa’s best Environmental Biotechnologists and to be able to address serious scientific problems faced by South Africa. This would enable me to address problems faced by Africa such as increasing water scarcity and pollution. It will enable me to motivate youth to follow suit and help increase involvement and excellence in science among black communities. I also believe that the lack of role models contributes towards the under-representation of blacks in scientific careers.

What have been the highlights for you as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar?

I am developing into a motivator of and role model for the youth. I also got to make a new ‘family’ in The Mandela Rhodes Foundation and brothers and sisters who are Scholars. I have also tried to set a good example to my younger brother, which I believe has given him a reason for working harder.

Bongumusa Zuma
Where are you now, and what are you doing?

My mentors at The Mandela Rhodes Foundation always tell me the journey is as important as the destination ... After a tumbling year during which I have changed universities, faculties and departments, and moved cities, I am keenly aware of the truth behind this statement. Everything I have learnt from the Foundation was put to the test during this tumultuous year, during which I realised that my purpose and my position were not in sync. In order to get closer to my goal of making social anthropological research methods practically useful in the monitoring and evaluation of post-conflict reconstruction and development projects, I decided to move from the Social Anthropology Department at the University of Cape Town, to the Department of Environmental and Geographical Science at Rhodes University. Here I have been focusing on putting my learnings in Social Anthropology into practice in the context of dealing with the community-based management of natural resources.

My project ‘Beyond Child Labour: Exploring the Role of Children in Sustainable Management of Ecosystem Goods and Services in Nqileni Village, Eastern Cape Province, South Africa’ has maintained its essence, but has been developed into something more tangible. These developments have been the result of some nerve-wracking decisions, which I would not have been able to make without the consistent support and mentorship of Rejoice Ngcongo.

Next year I will be wrapping up my thesis, but the project seems to just be beginning. My work in Nqileni will be leading me directly into my next project, the design and implementation of a sustainable school structure for the village. This will include a process of bringing together sustainable architecture, small business development, and the Department of Education to find a sustainable solution to the shocking state of the local school. In collaboration with the Bulungula Community Trust I will also be beginning the process of utilising my data regarding natural resource use patterns in Nqileni to design various community-based natural resource management projects for the area.

Julia Cloete
Mandela Rhodes Scholar 2005
University of Cape Town
BA (Hon) Social Anthropology

Julia Cloete was born in Umtata on 31 January 1982. She has held many leadership positions, including as captain of the junior school swimming team, deputy head girl at Victoria Girls’ High, as well as UCT president of the Students Health and Welfare Organisation. She has been a member of other structures which promote leadership and development, and has received a number of awards both in her academic career and in sports.
Jaques Conradie  
Mandela Rhodes Scholar 2005  
University of Stellenbosch  
BCom (Hon) Actuarial Science

David Jacques was born on 9 May 1983 in Paarl. He has distinguished himself as a leader and a scholastically talented student. In 2004 he was selected as one of the one hundred students to attend the Brightest Young Minds Conference for future leaders in South Africa. He has won awards, and also served in a series of leadership positions.

Where are you now, and what are you doing?

I started working at Old Mutual in February. I work in Life Insurance and I am specifically involved with retail product development. I find it very rewarding to be part of a team that develops products that provide clients with the means to protect themselves from events that could otherwise lead to financial ruin.

During my first nine months at work, I have experienced a steep learning curve. After all the theoretical knowledge, it is quite a challenging task to walk into a company that employs 15 000 people. But as an Actuary at Old Mutual you are respected and trusted. I have been given the opportunity to work with the middle and upper management. I have had some awesome exposure – however, sharing ideas and making recommendations to colleagues with ten or twenty years of experience is quite daunting when you are only 23 years of age. I hold on to one of my favourite quotes: ‘The greater the challenge, the greater the glory.’ As long as you believe in yourself and in what you say, others will too.

I am involved with Tshiba University, a free university with the vision of providing tertiary education to previously disadvantaged South Africans. I have also given some lectures at Stellenbosch University. Highlights of my year include being awarded the Chancellor’s medal by Stellenbosch, and in April I became one of the youngest South Africans to pass all their actuarial exams through the Institute of Actuaries in London.

I am excited about what the future holds. I haven’t stopped studying, and am enrolled in the Chartered Financial Analyst programme. I would also like to spend a few years studying overseas sometime.

The Mandela Rhodes Scholarship has played a major role in getting me to where I am today. It gave me the mentorship and motivation to make sure that I achieve my academic goals. However, it also allowed me to meet some amazing people, and to realise what potential I have to make a difference in our country.

Jacques Conradie
Where are you now, and what are you doing?

My whole focus this year has been on completing my Masters degree, and one of my major objectives was to publish at least two articles out of my research work in international journals. I’m very confident that these objectives will be realised by the end of the year. As for next year, I am looking forward to kick-starting my professional career and engaging myself even more in community-building initiatives in Gugulethu and surrounding townships. I am also looking forward to imparting some of the leadership skills I have acquired through The Mandela Rhodes Foundation to the new Mandela Rhodes Scholars.

The special attention given by The Mandela Rhodes Foundation to my personal development has helped me be the best person that I can possibly be. It has helped me come to terms with my true potential and abilities, and has made me feel comfortable with the idea of being a leader. To me there is nothing more fulfilling than inspiring others to reach out for their goals, and the Foundation has afforded me this joy of being an ‘icon of learning’.

I received the following awards and nominations in 2006:

- Learning Cape Festival ‘Icon’ (2006)
- Runner-up for best oral presentation at South African Institute of Chemical Engineers Conference (SAIChe Western Cape Branch), Annual Research and Development Conference [Stellenbosch, South Africa, 23 June 2006]
- Article awaiting acceptance: Journal of Membrane Science [first submitted 1 September 2006, required review, completed 17 October 2006]

I would like to acknowledge the support of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation in helping me to achieve all this.

Buntu Godongwana

Buntu Godongwana
Mandela Rhodes Scholar 2005
Cape Peninsula University of Technology
MTech Chemical Engineering

Buntu was born in Gugulethu on 23 May 1983. He was educated at Fezeka High School in Gugulethu before enrolling at the Cape Technikon. He received several prizes in recognition of his academic achievements while at high school. Buntu has served as a tutor and enjoys sport, especially soccer.
Where are you now, and what are you doing?

I am currently finalising the writing of my thesis, which I will be submitting for graduation next summer. This has been a very challenging year for me and thanks to the programmes I engaged with through The Mandela Rhodes Foundation, I managed well under the circumstances. I was finalising my experimental work at the beginning of the year after being frustrated; in the end I completed my laboratory work. Afterwards I worked in a retail pharmacy for four months as part of the experiential learning required by the South African Pharmacy Council, and the experience prepared me for the pharmacy world. I also attended the fourth international conference on Pharmaceutical and Pharmacology Sciences, hosted by Wits University in Vanderbijlpark, where I presented my research in the Young Scientist Competition and won the third prize. That was a great achievement for me.

Being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar of 2005, meeting the 2006 Scholars was a great experience for me. I learnt a lot from them and I hope that they learnt something from me as well. Also each time I entered the Mandela Rhodes Building it was such an honour, because I always felt that I was home.

Next year I intend to do my community service year in Eastern Cape, and to serve the people who are really in need of pharmaceutical services. Of course I also plan to graduate!

Sizwe Mjiqiza
Where are you now, and what are you doing?

I’m currently in Bloemfontein, studying for my second Masters degree (this time in Clinical Psychology) at the University of the Free State. It is a challenging course (especially time-wise) but I have gained many new insights. The change of scenery has been especially welcome. Although I sincerely miss the Boland, the Free State has been charming up to now. Even the extreme cold has done wonders in getting me in touch with my senses! I love it here.

Apart from the move to Bloemfontein, another highlight has been the publication of my article on the language debate and reconciliation (in the Cape Argus). I am glad that my voice could be heard, and I hope that some people took it to heart.

Next year I will complete my Masters degree, after which I will have to complete my community year before being able to register as a Clinical Psychologist. I am still committed to making a change to the way dialogue (specifically what I refer to as multicultural dialogue) is practised in this country, and hope to once again publish articles on this topic in the media. My thanks to The Mandela Rhodes Foundation for all the support in making many of my future dreams real possibilities.

Hanru Niemand
Where are you now, and what are you doing?
I’ve had a busy 2006, my second and final year of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarship. My highlights include appearing in a leading role in a play for the Cape Town Festival in March, my big acting debut as it were! Meeting the 2006 Mandela Rhodes Scholars was a brief affair, but a great experience as I found strong new personalities who undoubtedly ensured a successful sophomore year for the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships, and this bodes well for the future. Other than that, my year has been dominated by non-stop work on my thesis, which is to be submitted before the end of the academic 2006 year.

An energetic year, to say the least. I want to add that the level of commitment I saw from the 2006 Scholars is truly astounding – they have a sense of unity and support each other well, and their responses to a contentious issue raised by a former Rhodes Scholar earlier this year underline this fact. I miss the 2005 Scholars who are no longer in close proximity to the rest of us, and wish them well.

What is being a Mandela Rhodes Scholar? Well, if you are reading this, you may be a Mandela Rhodes Scholar – maybe you don’t hold the Scholarship, but if you are familiar to anyone of us, you undoubtedly helped us earn the title by inspiring us, and letting us inspire you. We learned from you, and we hope you can learn from us. You believe that all teaching is sharing, not preaching – as we do. You helped get us here, and we will help take you, and ourselves, further. We do things in the name of one who lent great assistance and opportunity to students over a century ago with his legacy; and we move forward today, carrying the name of another who taught us what love and understanding, patience and tolerance can do if you only mean it. We mean it. A Mandela Rhodes Scholar in 2006 is someone who means it.

Riaan Oppelt
Where are you now, and what are you doing?

At the moment I am finishing the first year of my MSc studies in the department of molecular and cell biology at the University of Cape Town. My project involves optimising the production of a potential HIV vaccine component and subsequent immunogenicity studies in mice. This work is quite promising, as even though there is still much to be done before a vaccine can be developed and available to the public, our research is a significant contribution to the worldwide attempt to fight HIV/AIDS.

This year I have also been working with the South African Education and Environmental Project (SAEP) to tutor matric Biology students from an underprivileged background, and assist them in improving their grades in Biology. In addition, I have been working with other Science postgraduate students to initiate an SAEP-related programme called PracSci. This programme involves UCT postgraduate students running matric science practicals in underprivileged schools in the Nyanga and Philippi areas. This has been the pilot year for the programme, holding only Biology-based demonstrations. However, next year PracSci will expand to include Chemistry and Physics practicals and tutorials. Starting PracSci has taken a lot of time and energy, but it has been a rewarding and enjoyable experience. I can already see that I have made a difference to these students’ lives, and I hope the programme will continue to grow and include more schools so that future matric students can benefit from it.

My goals for next year thus include expanding and improving PracSci. They also include completing my MSc studies and graduating at the end of 2007. Ultimately I wish to pursue an academic career because I am passionate about teaching and research. In view of this, I want to begin PhD studies after my MSc, and I want to continue in the area of HIV/AIDS research.

Sirika Pillay
Where are you now, and what are you doing?

At the beginning of 2006 I commenced my Masters degree in the department of Medical Biochemistry at the University of Cape Town. This year has been an intellectually challenging one, but I have remained committed and focused with my greater aim and purpose always in mind.

I have also become an intern within the Numeracy Centre at UCT. The Numeracy Centre aims to provide a ‘bridging programme’ for students with educationally disadvantaged backgrounds. The appointment has been demanding but also very rewarding. I have thoroughly enjoyed interacting with all the students and it has given me perspective when considering a career within academia.

I have also been involved with a community project called PracSci, along with my fellow Mandela Rhodes Scholar Sirika Pillay. PracSci was initially started to provide matric students from a disadvantaged background with the opportunity to apply the scientific theory they were receiving in the classroom to real-life practical examples. It is hoped that this will help to create a greater interest in pursuing a career in science. PracSci was formally started in 2006 and is currently producing weekly biology practicals at a school in Phillippi. We intend to broaden its curriculum to include chemistry and physics components as well as expand to two other high schools by 2007.

I intend to complete my Masters degree at the end of 2007 and then continue on to my PhD degree. My key experiences have been meeting the new Mandela Rhodes Scholars of 2006, and seeing The Mandela Rhodes Foundation grow in leaps and bounds.

Alex Salo

Mandela Rhodes Scholar 2005
University of Cape Town
BSc (Hon) Biochemistry

Alex was born in Cape Town on 6 February 1984. She was a chairperson of the Amnesty International Society at Livingstone High, and also Head Prefect. At Livingstone High she received recognition for excellence in various subjects, as well as a certificate in recognition of her social responsibility. Alex enjoys and participates in sports.
The Mandela Rhodes Scholars 2007

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation was able to award 20 Mandela Rhodes Scholarships for 2007, up from 8 in 2005 and 15 in 2006. The expansion of the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships programme is therefore precisely on track in terms of the 10-year plan.

Each year the Foundation carefully records data from the selection process (which runs over several months, from initial nominations, through shortlisting, to final selection) and analyses trends. Once again the statistics – extracts presented below – show an encouraging pattern of general representivity. It is to be borne in mind that no ‘quotas’ are applied – qualified candidates compete on merit alone.

This year we present these statistics in comparison to the 2006 process.

Nominated candidates

Number of institutions nominating: 18 (17 in 2006)
Number of candidates nominated: 79 (50 in 2006)

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<th>Nominated candidates</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2007</th>
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<tr>
<td>Gender</td>
<td>13 (59%)</td>
<td>16 (57%)</td>
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<tr>
<td>African</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>Coloured</td>
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<td>White</td>
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Elected

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<td>Total Male</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>Total Female</td>
<td>9</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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<td>Social Science</td>
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<td>Science</td>
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<td>Humanities</td>
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<td>Commerce</td>
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<td>Music</td>
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The Class of 2007

Tristram Atkins
AFDA
BA (Hon) Film Production

Marlon Burgess
University of Cape Town
BA (Hon) Anthropology

Goredema Rumbidzai
University of Cape Town
BSc Soc (Hon) Sociology

Bryony Green
Rhodes University
MA Philosophy; English

Graeme Hoddinott
University of KwaZulu-Natal
MA SocSc Clinical Psychology

Aalia Ismail
University of KwaZulu-Natal
BSocSc (Hon) Policy and Development Studies

Leanne Johansson
University of Cape Town
BSocSc Development Studies

Ayanda Khala
Wits University
MA Dramatic Arts: Drama in Education & Therapy

Nyika Machenjedze
University of Fort Hare
MA Human Rights

Boitumelo Magolego
University of Pretoria
BSc (Hon) Engineering: Computer Engineering
David Maimela  
University of Pretoria  
MA International Relations: Political Economy & Foreign Policy

Clement Mogodi  
University of Zululand  
MA Clinical Psychology: Neuro Psychology & Ethics

Rikus Oswald  
University of Stellenbosch  
MA International Studies: SA Political Economics

Lunga Radebe  
Wits University  
BA (Hon) Dramatic Arts: Performing Arts Management

Judy Sikuza  
Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University  
BA (Hon) Industrial Psychology

Daphney Singo  
University of Cape Town  
MSc Physics

Jeremias Sitoi  
University of KwaZulu-Natal  
BusSc Economics

Cebile Tebele  
University of Zululand  
BCom (Hon) Industrial Psychology

Sheetal Vallabh  
Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University  
MA Clinical Psychology

Buhle Zuma  
University of Cape Town  
MPhil Intercultural Studies: Theories & Issues of Diversity
The Mandela Rhodes Programmes

The long-term strategy plan of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation envisages the running of six leadership-building programmes, as illustrated in the graphic on this page. At the direction of the Board of Trustees, for the foreseeable future the priority focus remains the development and expansion of the Foundation’s flagship programme, the Mandela Rhodes Scholarships. In its first three years of existence the Foundation has activated two of the further programmes to varying degrees. As we enter 2007, the status of the Mandela Rhodes Programmes is therefore as follows:

- Mandela Rhodes Scholarships: Operational since 2005
- Mandela Rhodes Partnerships: Operational since 2005
- Mandela Rhodes Endorsements: Operational since 2005
- Mandela Rhodes Fellowships: Feasibility study planned for 2007/8
- Mandela Rhodes Circles of History: Feasibility study planned for 2007
- Mandela Rhodes Volunteers: Not yet activated

In 2007 an exciting and important new partnership will be launched with the Association for Educational Transformation (ASSET), which will provide 10 bursaries each year over a period of four years for underprivileged matriculants who show promise, to allow them to study for first degrees. In this way the Foundation intends to make a contribution to ensuring that the pool of potential Mandela Rhodes Scholars is as wide as possible.

The specialised training of government communicators, in partnership with Unilever, Wits University, and the Government Communication and Information Service, continues under the auspices of the Unilever Mandela Rhodes Academy (UMRA) of Communication and Marketing for the Public Sector. Close to 100 people have completed this short-term specialised training. Graduates have described the courses as a ‘once in a lifetime’ opportunity.

The MRF also continues to partner with Unilever and Deloitte in a separate project, the Nelson Mandela Scholarships, which see more than 10 young South Africans enabled to undertake further studies in the United Kingdom each year.

Mandela Rhodes Endorsements (whereby the Foundation seeks to assist like-minded organisations but does not fund or manage their projects), have been given to the Impact Young Lives organisation, African Leadership Development, and Willpower Leadership Development.
Following the extraordinary pledge to the goals of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation of US$5 million by South African-born Rhodes Scholar David Cohen and a further US$1 million pledged by Mr Tom Steyer, work began to establish a dedicated charitable structure in the US. The Friends of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation (USA) has now been registered in the United States, and the MRF has been invited to apply for funding. The Trustees of the FoMRF, all resident in the US and offering their services pro bono, are:

Dr Daniel Bloomfield (President)
Daniel M. Bloomfield works at Merck Research Laboratories in Clinical Pharmacology. After a BA in Chemistry at Haverford College, he studied Social Anthropology at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar. He attended Harvard Medical School and Columbia. Dr Bloomfield founded the American-South African Scholarship Association.

Mr David Cohen (Director)
David Cohen joined Farallon in 1992 and is one of the founders of Noonday, where he is the senior partner. He was a vice president at Goldman Sachs. He was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University where he graduated with a MSc in Economics and a BA in Politics, Philosophy and Economics. Prior to Oxford Mr Cohen was the top graduate in Physiology and Biochemistry at the University of Witwatersrand.

Mr Richard Stengel (Director)
Richard Stengel became Time magazine’s 16th Managing Editor in 2006. He has written for The New Yorker, The New Republic and The New York Times, and has been a television commentator. He taught at Princeton before becoming a senior adviser and chief speechwriter for presidential candidate Bill Bradley. Since 2004, Mr Stengel has been President and CEO of the National Constitution Center. In 1993 he collaborated with Nelson Mandela on Long Walk to Freedom. As a Rhodes Scholar he studied English and History at Christ Church College, Oxford.

Mr Peter Stamos (Director, and Chair Investment Committee)
Peter S. Stamos is the founder, Chairman, and CEO of Sterling Stamos Capital Management, LP. Prior to this, Mr Stamos was CEO of SAI, a Management Consultant with Booz Allen & Hamilton and McKinsey & Company, and Chief of Staff and Chief Economist for US Senator Bill Bradley. He also taught Economics at Harvard. Mr Stamos serves as Chairman of the Investment Committee for Stanford University Hospital and Clinics. He earned a BA in Economics and Political Science from Stanford, and holds a JD from Harvard Law School, and a doctorate from Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes Scholar.

Mrs Danielle Fontaine (Secretary/Treasurer)
Danielle Fontaine is a Canadian citizen elected to a Rhodes Scholarship in 1981. She earned a Bachelor of Architecture from McGill University in Montreal, and a Master of Arts in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from Oxford University.
The Mandela Rhodes Foundation enjoyed an excellent year in 2006 in terms of the funds and resources it was able to attract to support both its operations as well as in the long-term project of building an Endowment for sustainability.

The Foundation would like to express its deepest appreciation to those who have shown such tangible and generous belief in the validity of the work of the MRF – and who have contributed vitally to our financial resources without seeking any reward other than the satisfaction of knowing they have made it possible for us to identify more young Africans with true leadership potential, and transform their lives and opportunities by electing them as Mandela Rhodes Scholars.

This is the Mandela Rhodes Foundation’s ‘Roll of Honour’ for 2006:

- THE RHODES TRUST
- NELSON MANDELA LEGACY TRUST (UK)
- OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS (SOUTHERN AFRICA)
- DE BEERS
- ANGLO-AMERICAN
- FRIENDS OF THE MRF (USA)
- BoE & MASERATI
- JOHN HUGHES
- NIALL J MELLON
- EARTHQUAKE SOUTH AFRICA
- WORLD PRESIDENTS’ ORGANISATION
- THE WILMINGTON TRUST
- INDIVIDUAL RHODES SCHOLARS
- INDIVIDUAL DONORS
Our Supporters

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- LIONEL MURRAY SCHWORMSTEEDT & LOUW

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- NEDBANK CORPORATE
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- AXION SYSTEMS
- ORYX MEDIA
- MARC STANES LTD
- SYSTEM PAWING INC
- JANUS MANAGEMENT SERVICES
- SOLLY TSHIKI & ASSOCIATES
- BERCO
- G4 SECURITY

How to Donate

The Mandela Rhodes Foundation welcomes donations from those who would like to support its work, according to their means. Please see the MRF's full contact details in this Yearbook for guidance on how to get in direct touch with the Foundation. Any enquiries about donating, for example on the tax-exempt status of the Foundation Trust, or gifts to be made from other countries, are welcomed and we ask you to make direct contact with our General Manager Steve Thobela, either through the general contacts of the MRF or at e-mail address steve@mandelarhodes.org.za.

For those wishing to make donations of amounts not in excess of 10 000 South African Rands (or the equivalent amount in other currencies), it is possible to make a direct deposit for the benefit of the Foundation as per the following bank account details:

Bank name: Nedbank
Account holder: The Mandela Rhodes Foundation
Branch/Address: Corporate Services, Cape Town (Waterfront), Republic of South Africa

Branch Code: 145-209
Account No.: 1452 028 060
SWIFT Code: NEDSZAJJ

Mr Mandela greets Trustees from the Nelson Mandela Legacy Trust in the United Kingdom earlier this year.

Niall and Ingrid FitzGerald with daughter Gabriella

Baroness Lynda Chalker

Mr Gary Lubner
The Mandela Rhodes Financial Results
for the twelve months ended 31 December 2005

This is an abridged version of the financial statement for 12 months ended in December 2005, audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers. Full statements are available from the Mandela Rhodes Foundation on request. Financial statements for 2006 are expected to be available by March 2007.

Trust Information
for the year ended 31 December 2005

Life patron: Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela
Chairperson: Prof 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: BoE Limited
Investment managers: BoE Private Clients
Attorneys: Lionel Murray Schwormstedt & Louw
Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc
Chartered Accountants (SA)
Registered Accountants and Auditors
Cape Town
The Board of Trustees is responsible for the preparation, integrity and fair presentation of the financial statements of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation Trust. The annual financial statements presented on pages 66 to 72 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 Board of Trustees also prepared the other information included in the annual report and are responsible for both its accuracy and its consistency with the annual financial statements.

The going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the annual financial statements. The Board of Trustees has no reason to believe that the Foundation will not be a going concern in the foreseeable future based on forecasts and available cash resources. These financial statements support the viability of the Trust.

The annual financial statements have been audited by the independent auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc, which was given unrestricted access to all financial records and related data. The Board of Trustees believes that all representations made to the independent auditors during their audit are valid and appropriate.

The audit report of PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc is presented on page 68.

The annual financial statements as set out on pages 66 to 72 have been approved by the Trustees on 21 April 2006 and are signed on their behalf by:

G. J. Gerwel
Trustee

N. Ndebele
Trustee

J. S. Rowett
Trustee
Report of the Independent Auditors

to the Trustees of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation Trust

The summarised financial statements of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation set out on pages 66 to 72 have been derived from the annual financial statements of the organisation for the year ended 31 December 2005. We have audited the annual financial statements in accordance with statements of International Standards on Auditing. In our report dated 21 April 2006, we expressed an opinion that the financial statements, from which the summarised financial statements were derived, fairly presents, 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 an unqualified opinion, except for the effects on the financial statements of the matter referred to in the preceding paragraph.

For a better understanding of the scope of our audit and the organisation’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 and the annual financial statements from which the summarised financial statements were derived.

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc
Chartered Accountants SA
Registered Accountants and Auditors
Cape Town
21 April 2006
Trustees’ Report  
for the year ended 31 December 2005

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.

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

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<tr>
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<td>12 months</td>
<td>18 months</td>
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<tr>
<td>Donations received</td>
<td>1 439 099</td>
<td>1 195 261</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rent received</td>
<td>385 457</td>
<td>76 973</td>
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<tr>
<td>Finance income</td>
<td>1 396 051</td>
<td>1 131 713</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total income</td>
<td>3 220 607</td>
<td>2 403 947</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total expenses</td>
<td>(6 133 643)</td>
<td>(4 876 873)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net loss for the year/period</td>
<td>(2 913 036)</td>
<td>(2 472 926)</td>
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The prior year adjustment is in respect of the registration of The Foundation as a Value Added Tax (VAT) vendor during the year under review, which was backdated to February 2004 (refer to note 14 in the full financial statements).

3. Trustees
The Trustees at 31 December 2005 were:

The Mandela Nominees
Gert Johannes Gerwel
Yvonne Mokgoro
John Samuel (co-opted till 12 February 2006)

The Rhodes Nominees
William Arthur Waldegrave
Robert Fellowes
John Rowett (co-opted till 12 February 2006)

The Executive Committee at 31 December 2005 were:

Gert Johannes Gerwel (Chairman)  Julian Ogilvie Thompson
Shaun Athol Johnson
John Rowett (co-opted till 12 February 2006)
John Samuel (co-opted till 12 February 2006)

The Investment Committee at 31 December 2005 were:

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

The Audit and Risk Committee at 31 December 2005 were:

Mustaq Brey (Chairman)  Tim Cumming
Gert Johannes Gerwel  Njabulo Ndebele

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 financial statements.
## Balance Sheet
### at 31 December 2005

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<td><strong>Non-current assets</strong></td>
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<td>Property and equipment</td>
<td>4 823 676</td>
<td>4 823 668</td>
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<td><strong>Current assets</strong></td>
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<td>Receivables and prepayments</td>
<td>869 189</td>
<td>102 394</td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>27 299 351</td>
<td>19 635 840</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
<td>32 992 216</td>
<td>24 561 902</td>
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<td><strong>Equity and liabilities</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Capital and reserves</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Trust fund</td>
<td>6 728 943</td>
<td>6 728 943</td>
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<tr>
<td>Endowment reserve</td>
<td>26 433 332</td>
<td>15 258 782</td>
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<tr>
<td>Initial donation: building</td>
<td>4 360 000</td>
<td>4 360 000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Accumulated deficit</td>
<td>(5 131 003)</td>
<td>(2 472 926)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Current liabilities</strong></td>
<td>32 391 272</td>
<td>23 874 799</td>
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<td>Payables</td>
<td>600 944</td>
<td>687 103</td>
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<td><strong>Total equity and liabilities</strong></td>
<td>32 992 216</td>
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## Income Statement

*for the year ended 31 December 2005*

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<td><strong>Revenue</strong></td>
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<td>Donations received</td>
<td>1 439 099 R</td>
<td>1 195 261 R</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rent received</td>
<td>385 457 R</td>
<td>76 973 R</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Operating expenses</strong></td>
<td>(6 130 684) R</td>
<td>(4 876 451) R</td>
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<tr>
<td>Finance income</td>
<td>1 396 051 R</td>
<td>1 131 713 R</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Operating loss</strong></td>
<td>(2 910 077) R</td>
<td>(2 472 504) R</td>
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<tr>
<td>Finance expense</td>
<td>(2 959) R</td>
<td>(422) R</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Loss for the year</strong></td>
<td>(2 913 036) R</td>
<td>(2 472 926) R</td>
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## Cash Flow Statement

**for the year ended 31 December 2005**

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<td><strong>Cash flows from operating activities</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Cash utilised in operations</td>
<td>(4 719 010)</td>
<td>(2 924 505)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Interest expense</td>
<td>(2 959)</td>
<td>(422)</td>
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<td>Interest income</td>
<td>1 396 051</td>
<td>1 131 713</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net cash utilised in operating activities</td>
<td>(3 325 918)</td>
<td>(1 793 214)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Cash flow from investing activities</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Acquisition of equipment</td>
<td>(202 819)</td>
<td>(558 671)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Proceeds on sale of equipment</td>
<td>17 698</td>
<td>–</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net cash utilised in investing activities</td>
<td>(185 121)</td>
<td>(558 671)</td>
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<td><strong>Cash flow from financing activities</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Increase in Trust capital</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>6 728 943</td>
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<tr>
<td>Increase in Endowment reserve</td>
<td>11 174 550</td>
<td>15 258 782</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net cash flow from financing activities</td>
<td>11 174 550</td>
<td>21 987 725</td>
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<td><strong>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</strong></td>
<td></td>
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<td>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>7 663 511</td>
<td>19 635 840</td>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year</td>
<td>19 635 840</td>
<td>–</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</td>
<td>27 299 351</td>
<td>19 635 840</td>
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Further details on the work of The Mandela Rhodes Foundation can be obtained by writing to the MRF at PO Box 15897, Vlaeberg 8018, South Africa by visiting The Mandela Rhodes Building 150 St George’s Mall, Cape Town, South Africa or by viewing our website (from January 2007) www.mandalrhodes.com

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