

THE CHALLENGE: REPLENISHING THE LION ENDOWMENT FUND, NAIROBI NATIONAL PARK



In 2003, eleven lions in the Nairobi National Park were slaughtered in a most cruel way by owners of livestock in lands bordering the park. This was because their livestock had been killed by the lions and the funds in the Lion Endowment Fund had been depleted. On December 5th, 2004, six hundred people arrived at the African Heritage House, overlooking the Nairobi National Park, on the original Kenya-Uganda steam train. Proceeds from that First African Heritage Day and subsequent African Heritage Days in 2006 and 2007 went to save and protect the lions and other big cats of the Nairobi National Park. Payments are made for livestock that fall prey to the lions and other carnivores when they go out of the park in search of food. Please answer the Call of the Lions once again to replenish the fund. New donors are welcome.

TICKETS TO AFRICAN HERITAGE DAY & NIGHT A BENEFIT FOR THE LION ENDOWMENT FUND

Minimum donation (ticket):
K. Sh. 5000.00 per person, or
K. Sh. 4500.00 for ten tickets or more.

Tickets available at:
Nairobi Intercontinental. Tel:0737 459075
African Heritage Design Co. (Mombasa Road, Carnivore or National Museums of Kenya).
Langa'ta link. Tel: 020 890699

Information and advance reservations or donations: Telephone 0721 518389 or Friends of the Nairobi National Park (FoNNaP) 020 607974, 0724 256877
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Signboard for the Call of the Lions at entrance to Nairobi National Park.

Programme of EVENTS

MARCH 29, 2009

4 p.m. The Opening of the MURUMBI PEACE MEMORIAL at NAIROBI CITY PARK (drinks and bitings served)

Ceremony by the Ministry of National Heritage, National Museums of Kenya, Kenya National Archives and the Murumbi Trust.

“Song for Murumbi” by Ayub Ogada.

Introduction of participating sculptors.

7p.m. NAIROBI INTERCONTINENTAL hosts Kenya’s African Heritage Festival at pool side with a sumptuous Pan African dinner and spectacular show by African Heritage Design Co.

Guest of Honour for African Heritage Night: US Ambassador to Kenya, Mr. Michael Ranneberger.

Special Guest: Mr. Julius Kipng’etich, Director, Kenya Wildlife Services.

Master of Ceremonies: Mr. William Lay, CEO, General Motors, Kenya.

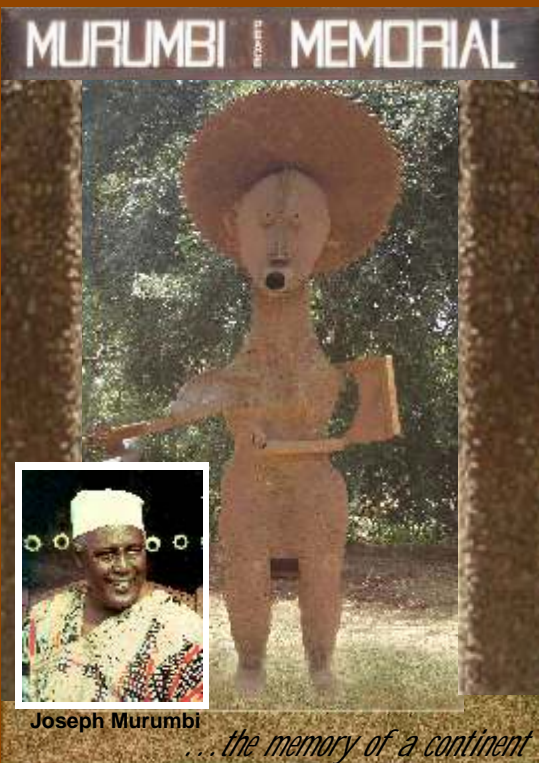


“The Bird of Peace Emerging from the Stone of Despair” (based on a line from a Martin Luther King Jr. speech). Granite sculpture by Elkana Ongesa.

An Invitation to attend

THE Fourth AFRICAN HERITAGE DAY and AFRICAN HERITAGE NIGHT

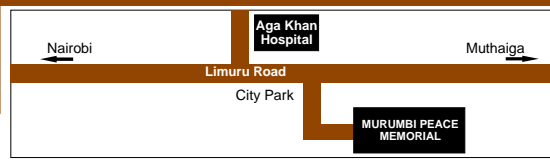
MARCH 29, 2009
FROM 4PM TO 11PM



Joseph Murumbi ... the memory of a continent

A Benefit for the Lion Endowment Fund Nairobi National Park

In Honour of
JOSEPH & SHEILA MURUMBI
at
THE MURUMBI PEACE MEMORIAL
Nairobi City Park
and
NAIROBI INTERCONTINENTAL



Soon at Intercontinental Nairobi



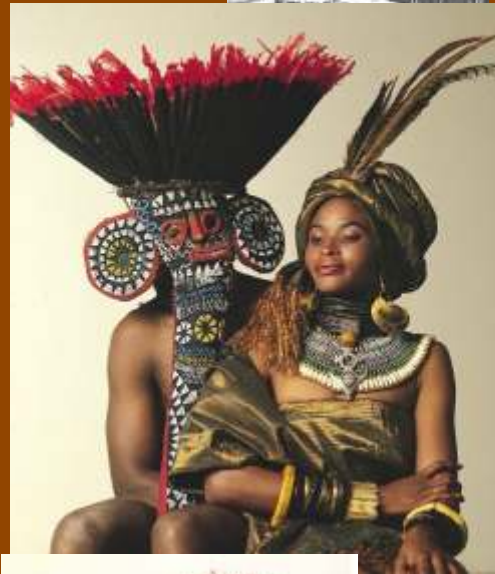
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KENYA'S AFRICAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL PAST TOURS AND PUBLICITY

The First African Heritage Night with Pan African Collection at the Hotel Intercontinental 1972.

Minister of Finance Hon Mwai Kibaki and Minister of Foreign affairs, Hon. Dr. Njoroge Mungai (seated) as guests of honour.



Above: Logo of the Tour of 11 European cities sponsored by the Intercontinental Hotels and Luthansa, 1995

Left: African Renaissance Show for the first Telkoms conference in Africa, 1998.



DAVID BEATTY

THE REVIVAL : 2009 AFRICAN HERITAGE NIGHT, A PREVIEW OF PROPOSED USA TOUR BY KENYA'S AFRICAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL IN HONOUR OF US PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA PRESENTED BY AFRICAN HERITAGE DESIGN CO. AT THE NAIROBI INTERCONTINENTAL

KENYA'S AFRICAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL has traveled around the world promoting African culture, crafts, and tourism to Kenya. The festival features authentic traditional costumes from all parts of Africa and a unique fashion collection created from the hand-woven and hand-printed textiles of Africa, all made in Kenya. The second part of the show, "Forty Years of Kenya Fashion", features Kenya's leading designers over the past four decades. The Kenya Finale is a crescendo of beadwork by Kenyan women on silks, satins and leather. The election of the first African-American president, President Barack Obama, presents a unique opportunity to showcase Kenya's African Heritage Festival in the USA. Kenya's most famous international musician, Nyatiti master soloist, Ayub Ogada, will open shows with songs he performed for the film, "The Constant Gardener" (for which he was mentioned for an Academy Award nomination), and other songs. African Heritage Dancers will end the shows with a vibrant and stirring "Orutu" dance featuring Luo musical instruments. An integral part of the festival in recent years has been a selection of the most spectacular photos by the world's leading photographers of African ceremonies and culture, Angela Fisher and Carol Beckwith (*Maasai, Africa Adorned, Nomads of Niger, African Ark, Passages, Faces of Africa, African Ceremonies*) who have been associated with African Heritage since its inception. These photographs are shown on giant screens to form a magnificent and enchanting panorama for the shows. Their new book, *Lamu*, is to be released during the USA tour, which they will personally sign.

THE LEGACY : THE MURUMBI PEACE MEMORIAL

Joseph Murumbi was the first Foreign Minister and second Vice President of Kenya. He and his wife, Sheila, were among Africa's most famous collectors. They were co-founders of African Heritage, Africa's first Pan African Gallery, and Kenya's African Heritage Festival, that traveled the world promoting Africa and Kenya. Their unique collections of books, art and postage stamps span the African continent and form the basis of the Murumbi Gallery at the Kenya National Archives and a new gallery to be opened at the National Museums of Kenya. The Murumbi grave sites have finally been enclosed and renovated by the Murumbi Trust nearby the old cemetery where Murumbi's best friend and political mentor, Pio Gama Pinto (the victim of Kenya's first political assassination) is buried. This Memorial, completed just after the terrible political violence that wracked the country in 2008, is a secluded site of breathtaking natural beauty and peace, with works of art by East Africa's most famous artists. The Memorial will be officially opened on African Heritage Day, March 29th.