

Meet Design Indaba's Emerging Creatives class of 2016

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South Africa is hardly shy of creative talent. We had over 400 applicants to our [Emerging Creatives programme](#). We are always so impressed at the ingenuity of our country's youth, and the beautiful hybridity and flexibility of their work.



To showcase these talented individuals was the reason we started our [Emerging Creatives programme](#). These young designers are in dire need of support, exposure, mentorship and the chance to launch themselves and their products in the public arena. This is exactly what the programme achieves as some of the country's most prolific designers and creatives can attribute the start of their remarkable careers to the Emerging Creatives programme.

With the volume of phenomenal entries we received, it was exceptionally challenging to narrow them down to just 40. These are the designers to look out for this year.

You will have an opportunity to see their work as part of the [Design Indaba Festival 2016](#) in partnership with the [Department of Arts and Culture](#) in an exhibition at the [Watershed](#) in the [V&A Waterfront](#) from 16-21 February 2016.

Here are the 40 names you should be looking for on the design scene in 2016...



Abongile Gwele

WOL



BY ALEXIA HECHTER



Any Slatem





Bokang Lehabe



Carla Latsky





Danielle Cough



Dhiantha Archery



Fiona Mpingu

This is a series that explores the opinions, ideas and perspectives people hold regarding culture. These people express what culture looks like undressed not unpacked.



Gisele Human



Helé de Beer



Helen Borg



Ishaarah Arnold



Jamie-Lee Matthews



Jamil Rander



Jen McKenzie



Josie Hardy



Juan van Wyk





Luhandra Vorstrman



Brass Reflection I

Lynne Avis



Madri van Zyl



Maeve Roseveare



Max Melvill



Mbali Memela



Megan Smith



Mchael Rowlinson



Meke Verreulen



Mbeketsi "Mbikay" Lebakeng



Monde Mabaso



Nateko Odysseus Shirindza



Phendu Kuta



Philisa Zibi



Seugnet Herbst



Sibusiso Brian Mkhachane



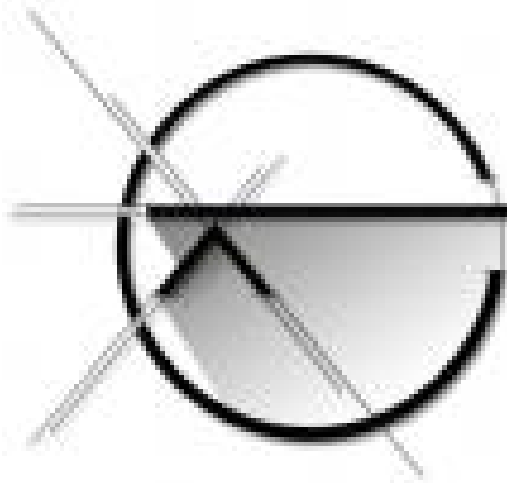
Sikho Mququ



Siyanda Mazibuko



Zinhle Nkumalo



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