

NGATANE, Ephraim Mojalefa.

(b.1938 Maseru, Lesotho, d.March 1971, Soweto)

Ngatane came to Johannesburg in about 1943. He was educated at Mooki Memorial School and Orlando High School, Soweto. From 1952 until 1954 he studied painting under Cecil Skotnes at the Polly Street Art Centre. In about 1954 he was also taught by Durant Sihlali and between 1954 and 1956 was a pupil of Rev. Hall Duncan, an American missionary at St Peter's Secondary School in Rosettenville, Johannesburg. He later taught at the Jubilee Art Centre and privately at his home. Ngatane also played the alto-saxophone. He died suddenly of tuberculosis in 1971.

Exhibitions:

- 1960: Lawrence Adler Galleries, Johannesburg (Artists of Fame and Promise).
- 1962: Cape Town; Pretoria (solo).
Adler Fielding Galleries, Johannesburg (Artists of Fame and Promise; solo).
Lidchi Art Gallery.
- 1963: Adler Fielding Galleries, Johannesburg:
SAAA, Pretoria.
Lidchi Art Gallery, Cape Town (Polly Street Artists).
- 1964: Adler Fielding Galleries, Johannesburg (solo).
WHAG (Transvaal Artists).
- 1965: Adler Fielding Galleries, Johannesburg (African Art 1965).
- 1966: Pretoria (Republic Festival Exhibition).
Piccadilly Gallery, London, UK (African Art Exhibition).
Adler Fielding Galleries, Johannesburg (solo).
- 1969: Champs Elyses Gallery, Johannesburg.
Helen de Leeuw Gallery, (Polly Street Artists).
- 1971: Champs Elyses Gallery, Johannesburg.
- 1972: Gallery 101 (group).
- 1981: Jabulani Standard Bank, Soweto (Black Art Today).
- 1983: Gallery 21 (group).
- 1986-7: JAG (Johannesburg Art and Artists: Selections from a Century).

Commissions:

- 1969-1971: Commissioned to do murals in St Mary's Church and Mooki Memorial School, Orlando, Soweto.

Collections:

PAM; Sandton Town Council; WHAG; WITS.

References:

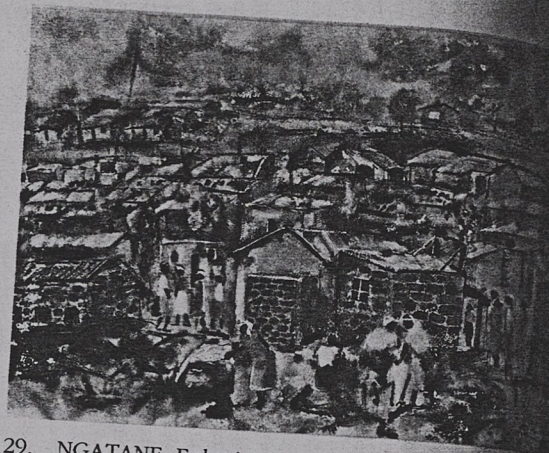
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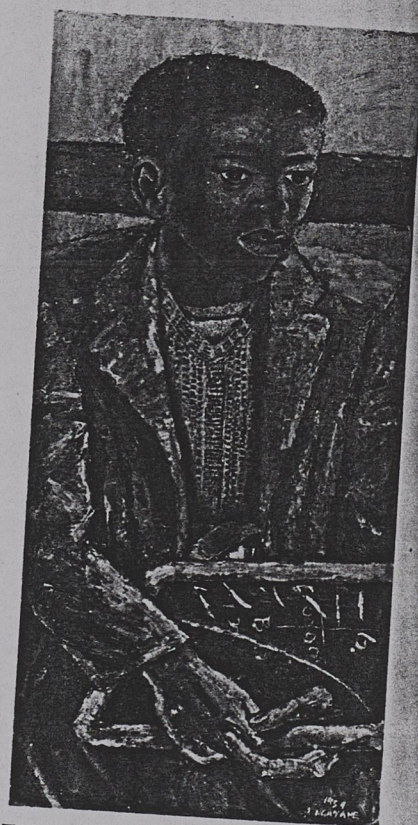
127. NGATANE, Ephraim Mojalefa (1938-1971)
Bridal ceremony
Watercolour, ink on paper, 49 x 68 cm (sheet and image)
Inscribed br: E. NGATANE; verso: Bridal ceremony
Mrs A. Pohl



128. NGATANE, Ephraim Mojalefa (1938-1971)
Night rain
Watercolour on paper, 50,4 x 67,3 cm (sheet and image)
Inscribed br: EPHRAIM; verso: Night Rain
Mrs A. Pohl



129. NGATANE, Ephraim Mojalefa (1938-1971)
Washerwomen
Watercolour, gouache on paper, 55,2 x 77,5 cm (sight)
Inscribed br: EPHRAIM
University of the Witwatersrand Art Galleries



130. NGATANE, Ephraim Mojalefa (1938-1971)
Young brother, 1959
Oil on board, 76 x 35,5 cm
Inscribed br: 1959/NGATANE; verso: Young brother
Mrs A. Pohl



131. NGATANE, Ephraim Mojalefa (1938-1971)
Pregnant wife
Oil on masonite, 40,5 x 25,5 cm
Inscribed tl: E. NGatane
Mrs A. Pohl



132. NGATANE, Ephraim Mojalefa (1938-1971)
Old Orlando, 1969
Oil on masonite, 60,6 x 76,1 cm
Inscribed br: '69/E. Ngatane; verso: Overcrowded place '69
Mrs A. Pohl