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Featuring well-known artists from South Africa as well as Namibian Joseph Madisia, this exhibition is the result of a new association between the Kunstkabinett and the Everard

Artists whose works are on view include Lucky Sibiya, Billy Molokeng, Tommy Motswai, Speelman Mahlangu, Martin Tose, Gabriel Tsolo, Joseph Madisia, Noria Mabasa, Hendrick Nekhofe, Sipho Ndlovu, Avhashoni Mainganye and Ann Marie Berry.

INTERNATIONALLY

Lucky Sibiya is recognised

internationally as one of South Africaâ $\200\231s$ top artists. Born in

Read Gallery in Johannesburg.

An Oa citing exnibiGon of African indigenous paintings and scupture opens on Wednesday at the Kunstkabinett as part of the independence celebrations.

Vryheid and the son of a medicine man, Sibiya was initially attracted to the abstract shapes and textures as well as the symbolic meanings of the bones

which his. father used for

witchcraft.

His family moved to Johannesburg but Sibiya continued
his education at Hammanskraal where he studied drawing
and started to carve decorative .
patterns on gourds and wood.

SKOTNES

Later he met Cecil Skotnes who was then in charge of the Polly Street Art Centre which

_ became synonymous with ur-

ban black artistic movement which developed there.

Skotnes accepted Sibiya as a private pupil and encouraged him to engrave wooden panels which became his new medium.

Sibiya later created a portfo-

- lio inspired by Welcome Nso-

miâ\200\231s play â\200\234Umabathaâ\200\235, based on Shakepeareâ\200\231s â\200\234Macbethâ\200\235, but illustrated with Zulu figures and images from Shakaâ\200\231s time. This portfolio was exhibited at the Old Vic in London

and at the Royal Caesaria in Tei Aviv where it was bienly acc-

laimed. SUCCESS

His first exhibition was an immediate success and he has developed into an artist of great versatility, painting on paper and canvas as well as produ-

cing dramatic sculptures.

Noria Mabasa, whose scupture of the Natal floods feature on the Cape Town Triennial exhibition, was born in Venda

A new exhibition

but moved to. Alexander at the age of thirteen. She had already begun painting murals and then experimented with carved wooden figurines which she painted. i! SCENIC Her work depicted the scenic life of the , Venda people, : especially the role of the young women in the family. In 1974, ' Mabasa started to use clay and she gained wider recognition. Since then she has taken part in many exhibitions including the BMW Tributaries, the Grahamstown Festival and the Rembrandt show and her work

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| - lections of Wits University and _ the Johannesburg Art Gallery.

Billy Molokeng is a multitalented man, a professional painter, singer and composer. He started painting when quite | young and held his first public | exhibition in 1968.

SEMI-FIGURATIVE

Molokengâ\200\231s paintings are semi-figurative and characterized by a wonderful use of \mid bright colour. There is a strong Kwandebele influence in the stylisation and treatment of figures.

His work is highly sophisticated and reveals a sense of humour, rhythm and movement obviously influenced by .his _ love of music.

He has participated i in group exhibitions in West Germany, Tel Aviv, Athens and Romeand had many solo exhibitions in | South Africa, |

Tommy Motswai was born in Johannesburg in 1963. He is

 $\hat{a}\200\230$ adeaf mute, who studied for 11

years at the Kutlwanong
' School for the Deaf, where he

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also taught art. He studied . with Bill Ainslie and the Fede- TREFWOORDE rated Union of Black Artists between 1980 and 1982 but is mainly self-taught. Tr eet Ae eames %5 URBAN SCENES

Motswai is an artist of brightly coloured urban scenes of city people who works mainly in pastel and various ~ 9 graphic media.

His work was represented at the Cane Town Triennial which was seen in Windhoek in 1988.

These are just a few of the artists on display at the exhibited He and Bae ota HE AE ik On tion entitled Beauty of Africa which will be opened by Mr

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