

Invitation to the Cape Town launch of *Shemurenga* by Shereen Essof with a documentary screening



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Just Associates (JASS) Southern Africa & the African Gender Institute (University of Cape Town) cordially invite you to the Cape Town launch of *Shemurenga* by Shereen Essof with a documentary screening ? *Written Out of History: A Herstory of the Zimbabwe Women?s Movement* produced by Selina Mudavanhu.

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5:30 pm (with light snacks)

About *Shemurenga*

This book demonstrates the place of women's movements during a defining period of contemporary Zimbabwe. The government of Robert Mugabe may have been as firmly in power in 2000 as it was in 1995, but the intervening years saw severe economic crisis, mass strikes and protests, the start of land occupations, intervention in the war in the DRC, and the rise of the opposition Movement for Democratic Change. Shereen Essof shows how Zimbabwean women crafted responses to these and other events, and aimed for a feminist agenda that would prioritise the interests of the rural and urban poor. Rejecting both the strictures of patriarchy and the orthodoxies of established feminism, she demands that

Zimbabwe's women be heard in their own voices and in their own contexts. In doing so she writes a book that combines scholarly integrity with a wild, joyous cry for liberation. Shemurenga was published by Weaver Press.

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Location

Centre for African Studies Gallery, Harry Oppenheimer Building, Upper Campus, University of Cape Town

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