



# THE GO GHAAP! CRAFTS COLLECTION



*Crafts from the Ghaap Region*

*Karoo Development Foundation*

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# The Go Ghaap! Crafts Collection

Many crafters in the Ghaap region make fine products, but they do not reach their markets – whether wholesalers, retailers or consumers. *We hope that our project will address this systemic market failure between Clients and Crafters.*

The **Go Ghaap! Crafts Catalogue** will be distributed to hotels, guest houses, restaurants and coffee shops. We will encourage those businesses to order crafts from the catalogue, either:

- For their own use, e.g. to decorate their facilities, or
- To sell to tourists.

We encourage **tourism establishments** to purchase these crafts, so that **crafters** receive their prices upfront. However, sales “on consignment” could be arranged between tourism establishments and crafters.

**Tourism establishments** can place their own mark-up on the producer price, according to the nature of their tourism clientele. (Some tourists are willing to pay more than others for products).

**Tourism establishments:** Please contact the project (Doreen or Lindile) to let us know whether they are participating in the project. Also, we would like to know your experiences with the project, so that we can adjust the project in future.

**Crafters:** Please let us know if this system works for you!

Please invite other crafters to join the project! ***The more crafters, the better!***

We hope that Crafts Shops in the region may also support these crafters. Once the system has been piloted, we can distribute the *Go Ghaap! Crafts Catalogue* outside the region, to grow our crafts markets even further!

*Go Ghaap!*

# The Go Ghaap! Tourism Route

The Route includes the following towns:

- In Ga-Segonyana LM: Kuruman and Mothibistad
- In Gamagara LM: Kathu, Deben and Olifantshoek
- In Tsantsabane LM: Postmasburg and Jenn-haven
- In Kgatelopele LM: Danielskuil and Lime Acres
- In Siyancuma LM: Griquatown and Campbell.

There are also important “gateway” sites, for travellers moving towards this region:

**Douglas, Prieska, Barkly West (including Wildebeestkuil), Groblershoop, Niekerkshoop, Vanzylsrus and Kimberley.**



# Heritage in the Ghaap area

The richness of heritage resources in the Ghaap area is astonishing. This includes:

- Early geological history (from 3 billion years ago)
- of the mining richness of the area, as well as the caves and “eyes” (fountains)
- Early mankind – the stone age artefacts at Kathu
- Khoisan history
- Tswana (Thlaping and Rolong) history, at least since 1700
- Griqua history since 1800
- Explorers, travellers, missionaries – and the Moffat Mission in Kuruman was the main stop on the “highway to the north”, to areas in today’s Botswana, Zambia and Malawi
- The brigands, outlaws and renegades of the 1800s
- The wars in the Langberg – 1870s and 1890s
- The Anglo-Boer War, and the 1914 rebellion, and
- Recent pro-democracy “struggle history” of the 1980s and 1990s.



Wonderwerk Cave

Dithakong in the  
1820s



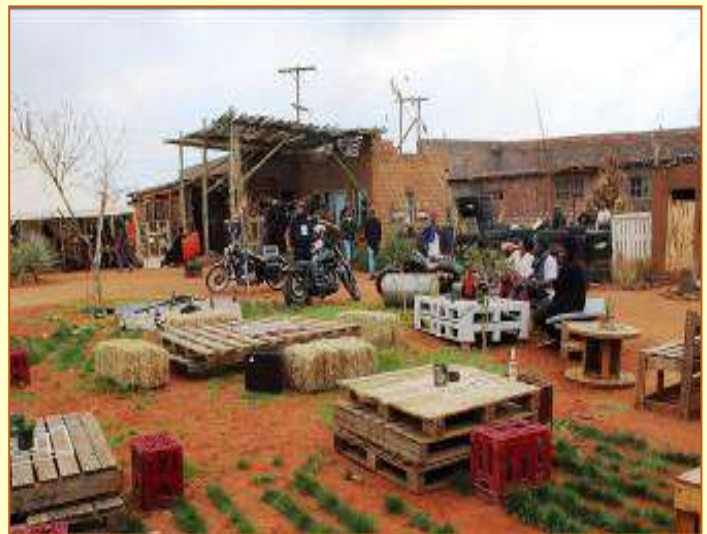
# CRAFT SHOPS

## MOTHIBISTAD: The Workshop Ko-Kasi

The Workshop ko Kasi is an eco-tourism creative hub in Mothibistad, Kuruman. This vibrant space was started by a young lady Mpho Cornelius, who now works with creative entrepreneurs to handle the locals and tourists who walk through their doors. One of their focus areas is to create a platform to showcase the talent of makers and crafters to market their products and this is done through an initiative called Baagisani Pop Up Market which is an event they host once a month. The creative hub has buildings made of recycled materials such as tyres, wood and old scrap – and this creates a stimulating environment for crafters to work there and also showcase. The Workshop ko Kasi also offers meals – including wholewheat pizza with novel toppings and traditional cuisine – a laundry, spa, tented accommodation and a versatile space for meetings and acts as a live performances venue.

The vibey courtyard  
at Ko Kasi

Delicious eats and innovative recipes



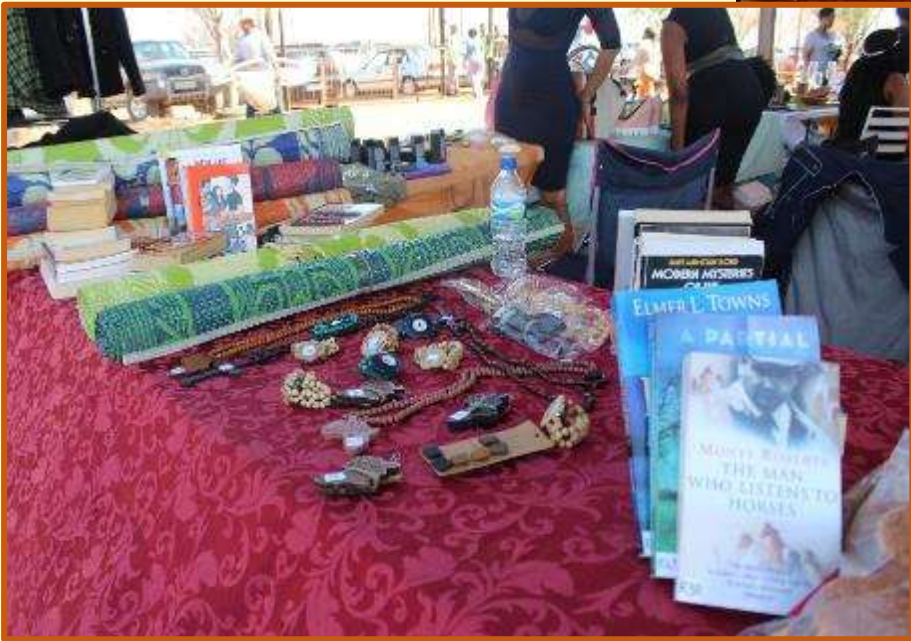
Delicious eats and innovative  
recipes

<p><b>Address:</b> Tlhabane Rd (Buitekant Street), Mothibistad  <b>GPS:</b> 27°23'47.1"S 23°28'49.5"E</p>	<p><b>Cell:</b>  Mpho Cornelius  071 866 3517</p>	<p><b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:mpho@theworkshopkokasi.co.za">mpho@theworkshopkokasi.co.za</a>  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.theworkshopkokasi.co.za">www.theworkshopkokasi.co.za</a>  Visit Ko-Kasi on Facebook!</p>
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Ko Kasi Workshop

Evening vigil at the Ko Kasi boma



The Workshop Ko-Kasi supports crafters to display their work



## GRIQUATOWN: Tip-Top Coffee & Craft Shop

Mrs Tienie Strydom is a lady who will never retire. She loves what she does and is very welcoming in her Tip-Top Coffee Shop on the main road of Griquatown. It is an old authentic Karoo coffee shop where you will find crochet work, knitting products, cakes and jams being made by locals. It is a coffee shop any tourist would want to visit and have coffee as they buy the craft products.



Shelves brimming with goodies and crafts



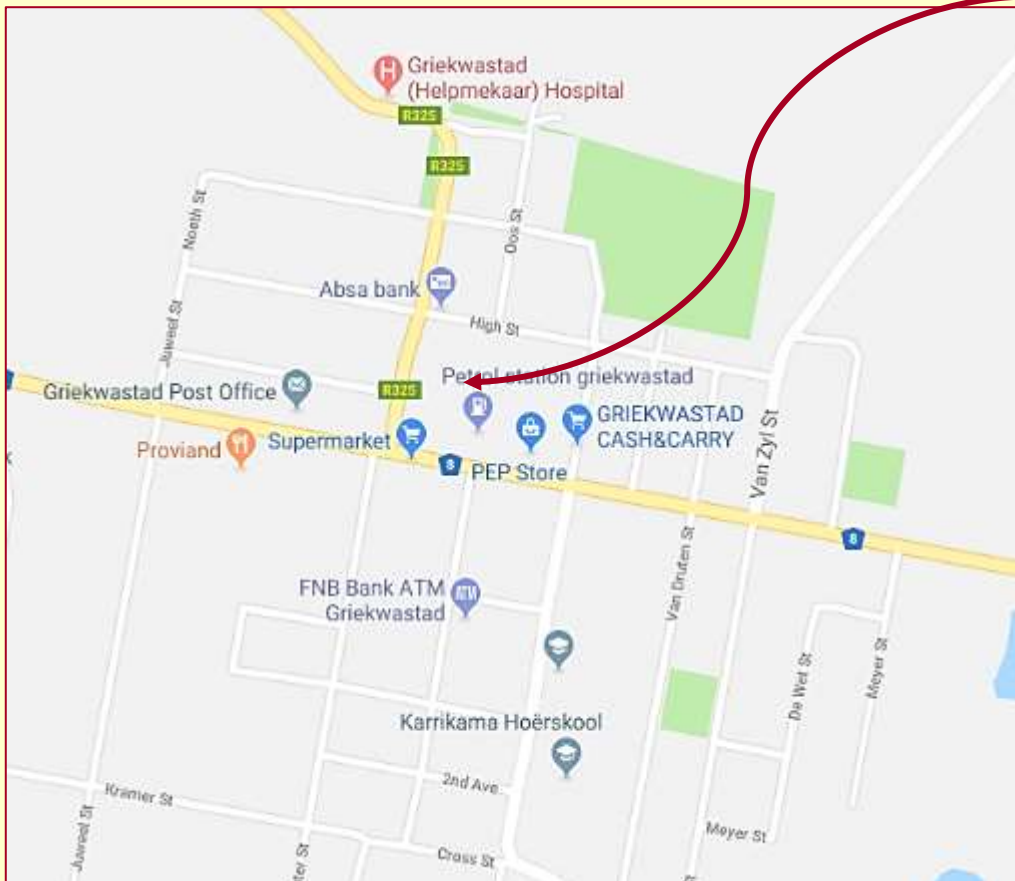
Address: Main Road, Griquatown  
GPS: 28°50'51.1"S 23°15'14.3"E

Cell:  
082 462 6799  
Landline 053 343 0399

The friendly and industrious Tannie Tienie will make your day!



Tip Top Crafts and Coffee



## Vanzylsrus Hotel Craft Shop

This oasis in the Kalahari desert is well worth a visit for a fascinating array of crafts!



Art is everywhere at the Vanzylsrus Hotel!



Craft shop: Hanelie van Tonder:  
(0)53 781 0201  
GPS: 26°52'39.6"S 22°03'08.6"E

E-mail: [info@vanzylsrushotel.com](mailto:info@vanzylsrushotel.com)  
Website: [www.vanzylsrus.com](http://www.vanzylsrus.com)  
Visit Vanzylsrus Hotel on Facebook!

Vanzylsrus Hotel on the R31 highway,  
160 km north of Kuruman



Watch the colourful Vanzylsrus Hotel video! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k2LV3Uos34c>, or visit <http://karoospace.co.za/vanzylsrus/>.

## KURUMAN: Die Geel Kombuis (the Yellow Kitchen)

A delightful craft and coffee shop in Kuruman – a great menu, pleasant outdoor seating, and interesting products to buy. The owner, Ms Mariaan Jacobs, has created a tranquil and friendly space for friends to meet.

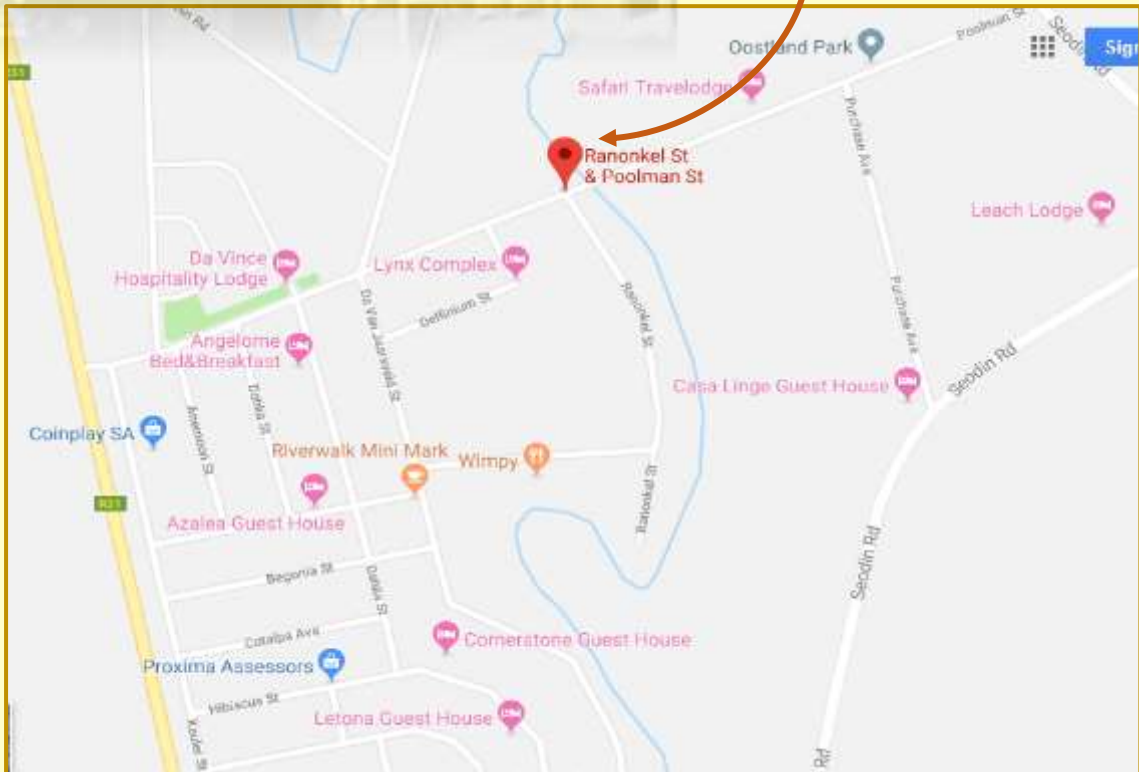


**Address:** Corner of Poolman  
and Renonkel Streets,  
Kuruman  
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23°26'09.9"E

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Visit Geel Kombuis on Facebook!



Geel Kombuis  
Restaurant and  
Craft Shop



## KATHU: Artistica

This well-stocked craft supply shop enables Kathu crafters to get everything they need to become creative. Artistica is run by Malinda Roux. It is a vibey and friendly space where all crafters feel welcome.



**Address:** Corner of Hendrick van Eck Road and Ben Alberts Way, Kathu  
**GPS** 27°41'57.1"S 23°02'36.5"E

Malinda Roux: Cell 082 8766 802

Email: [malinda@live.co.za](mailto:malinda@live.co.za)

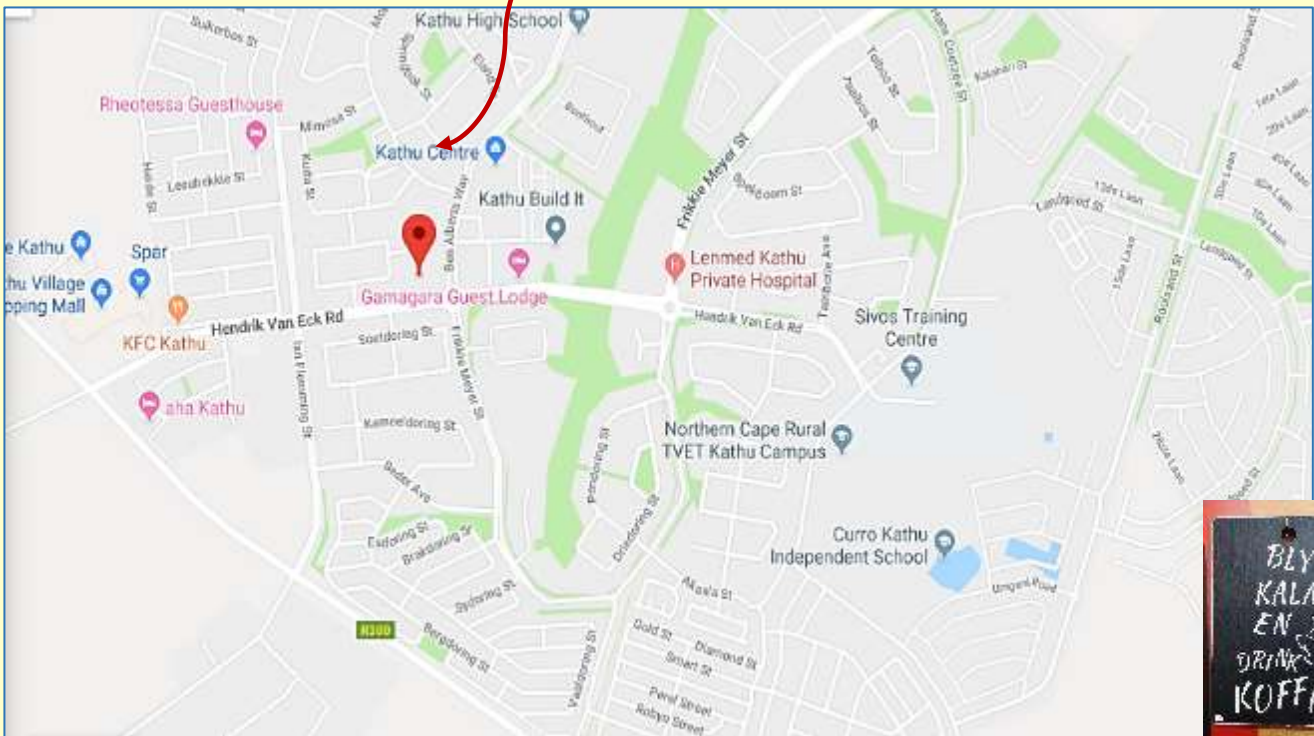
Visit Artistica on Facebook!



Lace, ribbons and bows to suit every crafter's taste!



Artistica





## GRIQUATOWN: Proviand Coffee and Crafts

Visit the dignified and historic Magistrate's Court building, built of local ironstone – and enjoy meals with Juanita Fouché and her team. Several rooms in Proviand (which means "Provisions") are used as for the coffee shop, or as meeting venues. Spend time on the ample stoep or in the shady garden, and purchase some local and regional crafts!



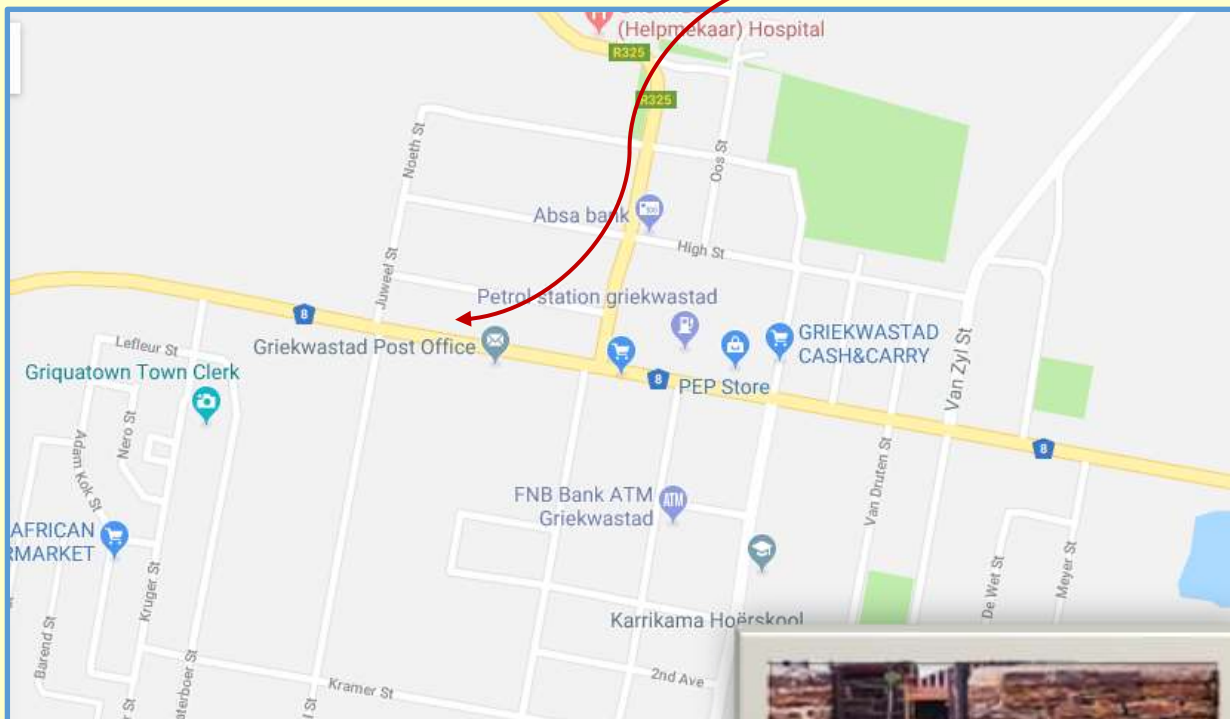


A beautiful old house with stylish wooden floors – brimming with goodies!

Address:	Juanita	E-mail:
Main road,	082 876 4956	griquguest@gmail.com
Griquatown		
GPS :		
28°50'53.8"S		
23°15'02.7"E		



Proviand Coffee & Crafts



An open gate leads to Proviand ...



# CRAFTERS

## VANZYLSRUS: Giel Olyn

Giel Olyn lives and works in Vanzylsrus, a small town in the southern Kalahari. His products are displayed at the Vanzylsrus Hotel Craft Shop. He speaks Tswana and Afrikaans, and using local materials to create his innovative and authentic Kalahari objects.



Sand art and walking sticks

Address: Vanzylsrus Hotel Craft Shop GPS: 26°52'39.6"S 22°03'08.6"E	Phone: (051) 781 0201 Cell 083 3832 8286	E-mail <a href="mailto:info@vanzylsrushotel.com">info@vanzylsrushotel.com</a>
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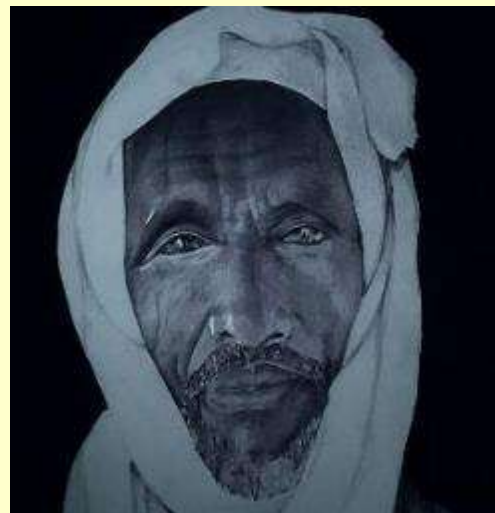
Sling shots (ketties) and porcupine pickle spoons

Giel Olyn's crafts at the Vanzylsrus Hotel Crafts Shop



## KURUMAN: Boemo Gaobusiwe

Boemo Gaobusiwe is 23 years old and lives in Kuruman. He is the founder of Beemore Artworks. Boemo has always had a passion for art since primary school (where he collected a number of awards). Most of his concepts come from his own life experiences, as well as ideas he gets from other people. He lives at Loopeng Village, a small settlement about 70 km north of Kuruman.





## Boemo Gaobusiwe's Beemore Art Gallery

Address:

19E Loopeng Village, Kuruman  
 GPS: 26°48'17.7"S 23°24'32.4"E

Cell 082 682 6703

E-mail

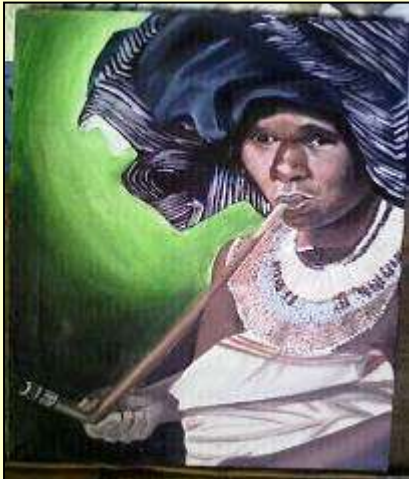
[gaobusiweb@gmail.com](mailto:gaobusiweb@gmail.com)

Visit Boemo Gaobusiwe  
 on Facebook!



## KURUMAN: Mandla Melamu

Mandla works in his fine art studio in Ga-Nghae Village, 20 km north-east of Kuruman. Although he left school at grade 11, he has proven himself as a versatile artist. His paintings are exhibited at Kokasi Workshop in Mothibistad.

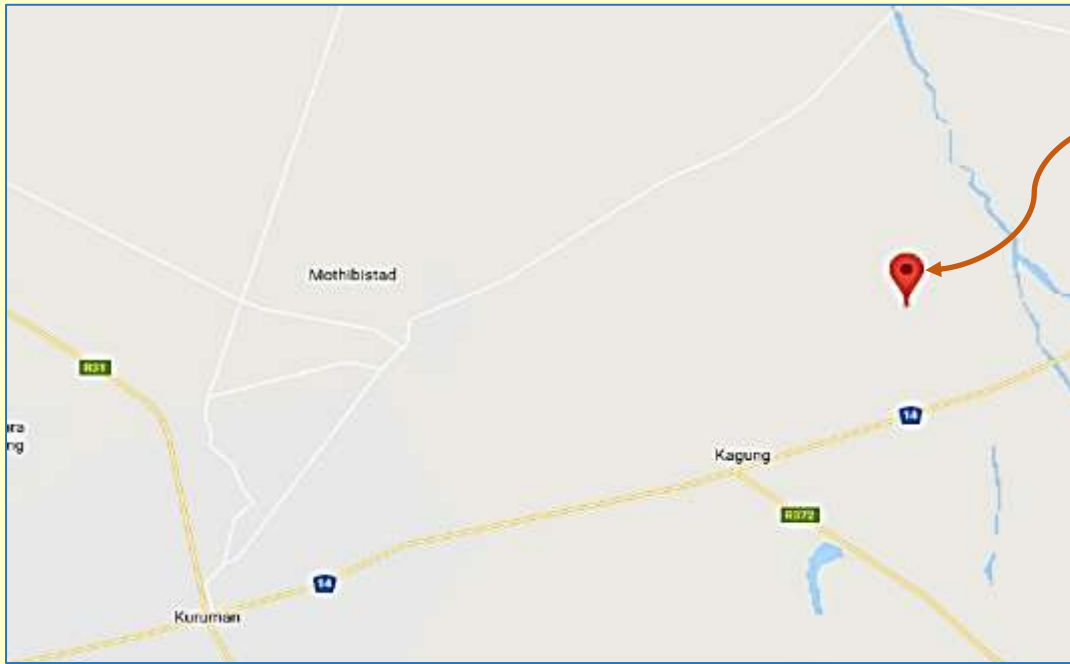


122 Ga-Nghae Village ,  
Kuruman  
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Mandla:  
Cell 072 015 9683

[mbazenmandla@gmail.com](mailto:mbazenmandla@gmail.com)





Ga-Nghae  
Village, 30  
km north-east  
of Kuruman



Mandla's exhibitions



## KATHU: Wannop Dehwe's Zonke Stone Art

Wannop Dehwe is originally from Zimbabwe, but is currently based in Kathu. He holds a degree in Arts and Design, and spent many years teaching at an Art School in Mafikeng before starting his own business. He is an extremely talented artist, producing stone sculptures, abstract art and company logos.

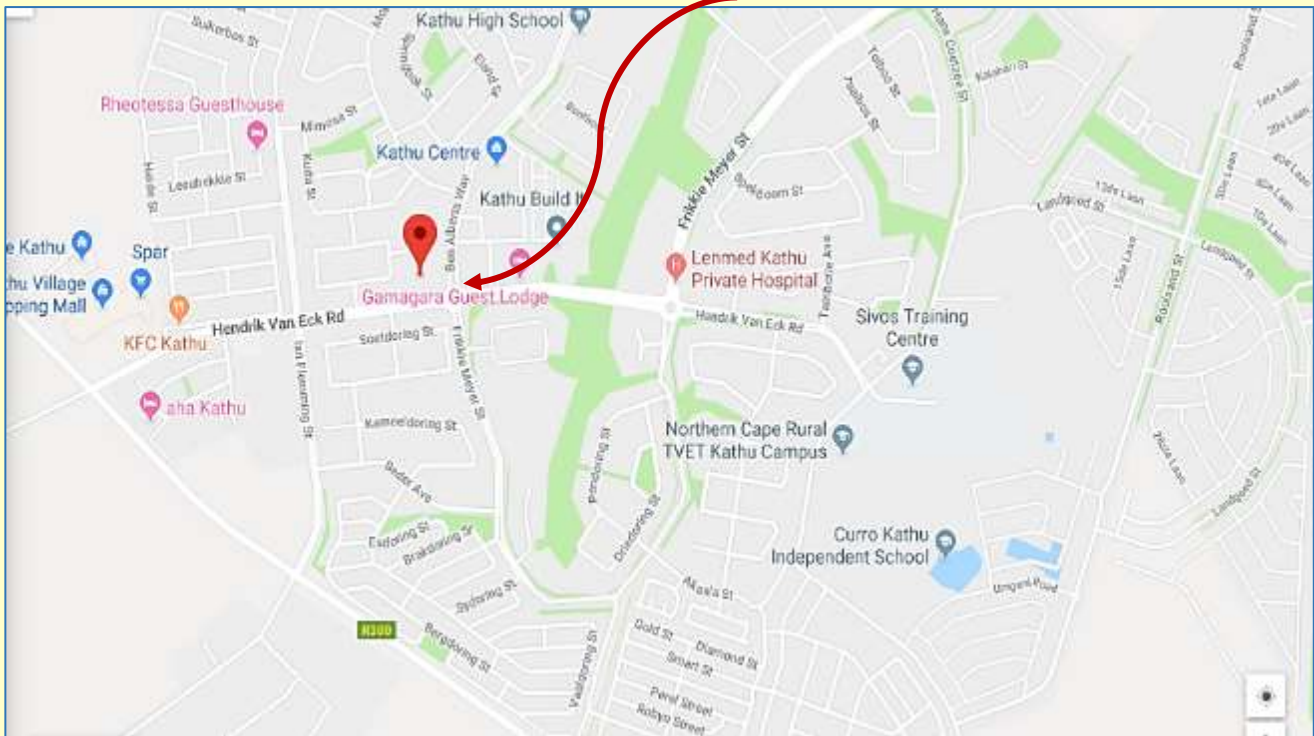
Wannop Dehwe's stone art project has been supported by Khumani Mine's Social Economic Development department and Gamagara Municipality's Local Economic Development Department. Khumani Mine invested in Wannop's vision to transfer his skills of making decorative sculptures out of stone by training five students in the art of stone sculpting as a pilot project.



Mapoteng Seseng Centre, Kathu (behind Artistica)  
Cnr of Hendrick van Eck Road and Ben Alberts Way  
GPS: 27°41'57.1"S 23°02'36.5"E

Wannop Dehwe: [info@zonkeart.co.za](mailto:info@zonkeart.co.za)  
084 648 8309

# Wannop Dehwe's workshop



## KURUMAN: Ba' One Intellectual Disability Centre

Retired teachers Cynthia Ntwaeagae and Kebile Fredman started the Ba'one Intellectual Disability Centre in Kuruman in 2010. They used their pension money and their special needs education training from their previous jobs to start this non-governmental organisation.

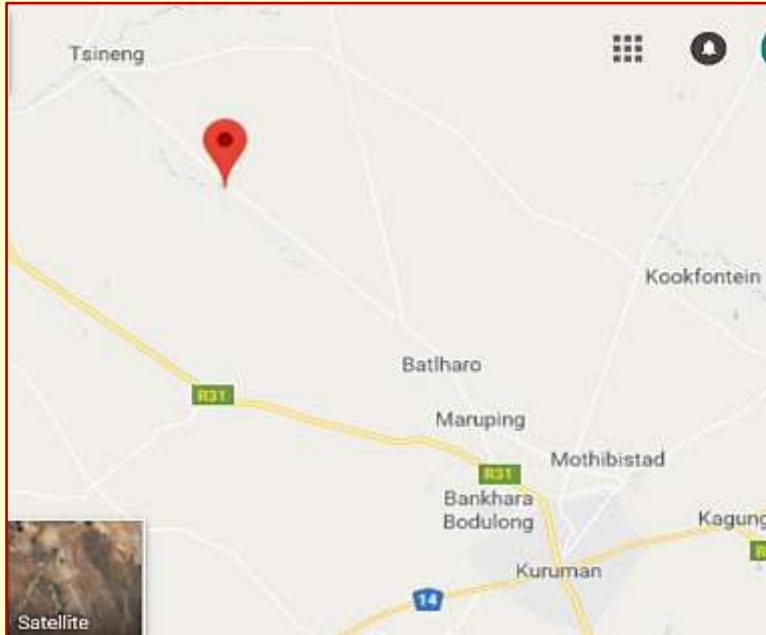
The centre is a forum for developing crafting skills - knitting & crocheting, woodworking, leatherwork, beadwork, recycling and welding. The centre has attracted funding from big mining houses and continues to grow.



**Address:**  
676 Block I, Sedibeng Village (about 35 km north-west of Kuruman)  
**GPS:** 27°11'10.3"S 23°10'45.5"E

**Kebile**  
082 345 9565

[centre.baone@gmail.com](mailto:centre.baone@gmail.com)  
Also see the Ba'One Centre's Facebook page!





# GRIQUATOWN: Voetspore van Hoop

Anri Holder runs an NGO called Voetspore van Hoop. It is an ambitious NGO that is rooted in craft work and other community upliftment projects. They make “story stones” and crochet work, especially donkeys. Anri is originally from Bloemfontein but already she has established good networks in her adopted town of Griekwastad. The project is supported by the NG Church Congregation of Alberton, Gauteng, where Menini Gibbens plays an important role.



Pin cushions

Use these stones to help little children tell stories!



Our farm



Camping

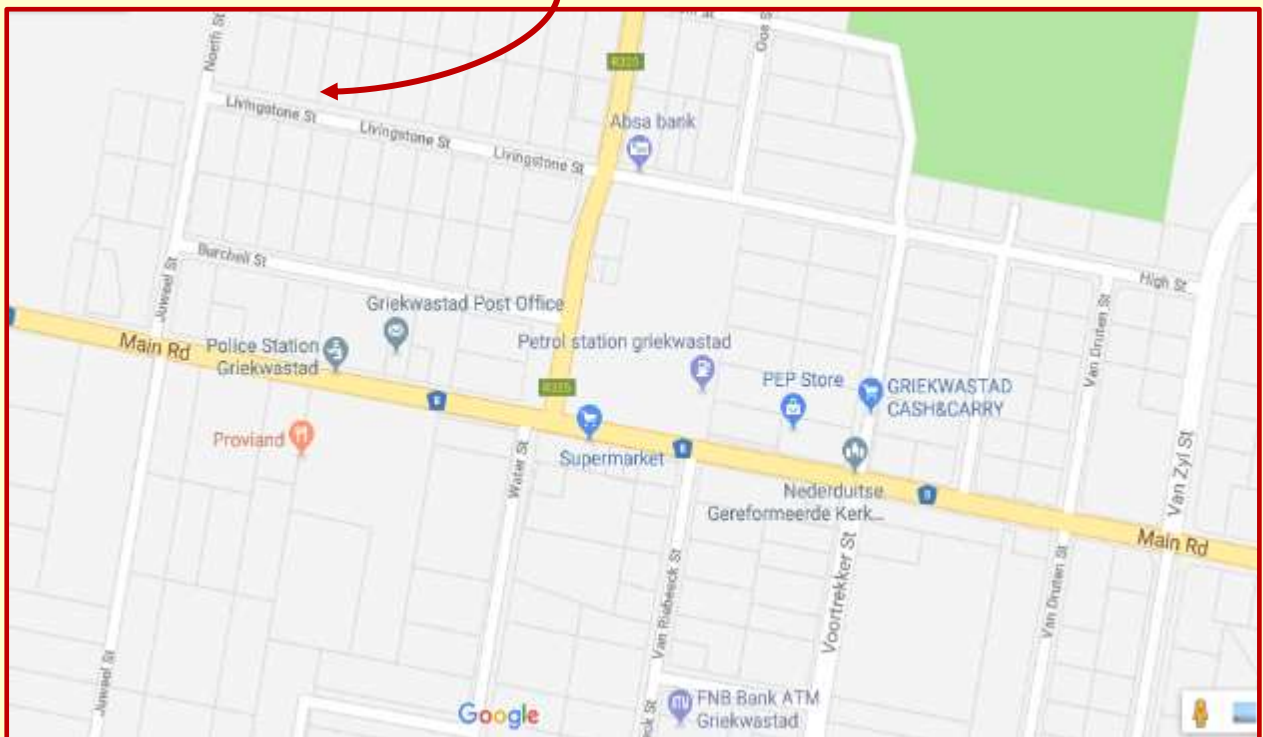


The seashore



Voetspore van Hoop's beautiful Creche in Griquatown

Voetspore van Hoop



Livingstone Street, Griekwastad	063 191 2124	<a href="mailto:voetsporevanhoop1@gmail.com">voetsporevanhoop1@gmail.com</a>  See Voetspore van Hoop on Facebook!
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## GRIQUATOWN: Helena Barnard of the farm Reliance

Helena Barnard is a crafter living and working on a farm 11 km north-west of Griquatown. She specializes in needlework and supplies local craft shops in her town. Helena has been in this business for more than twenty years and her work is displayed and sold in local guest houses and restaurants around Griquatown, such as Tannie Tienie's Tip Top Coffee Shop and Proviand Restaurant.



Address: Reliance Farm, 11 km  
north-west of Griekwastad

Helena 082 433 1780

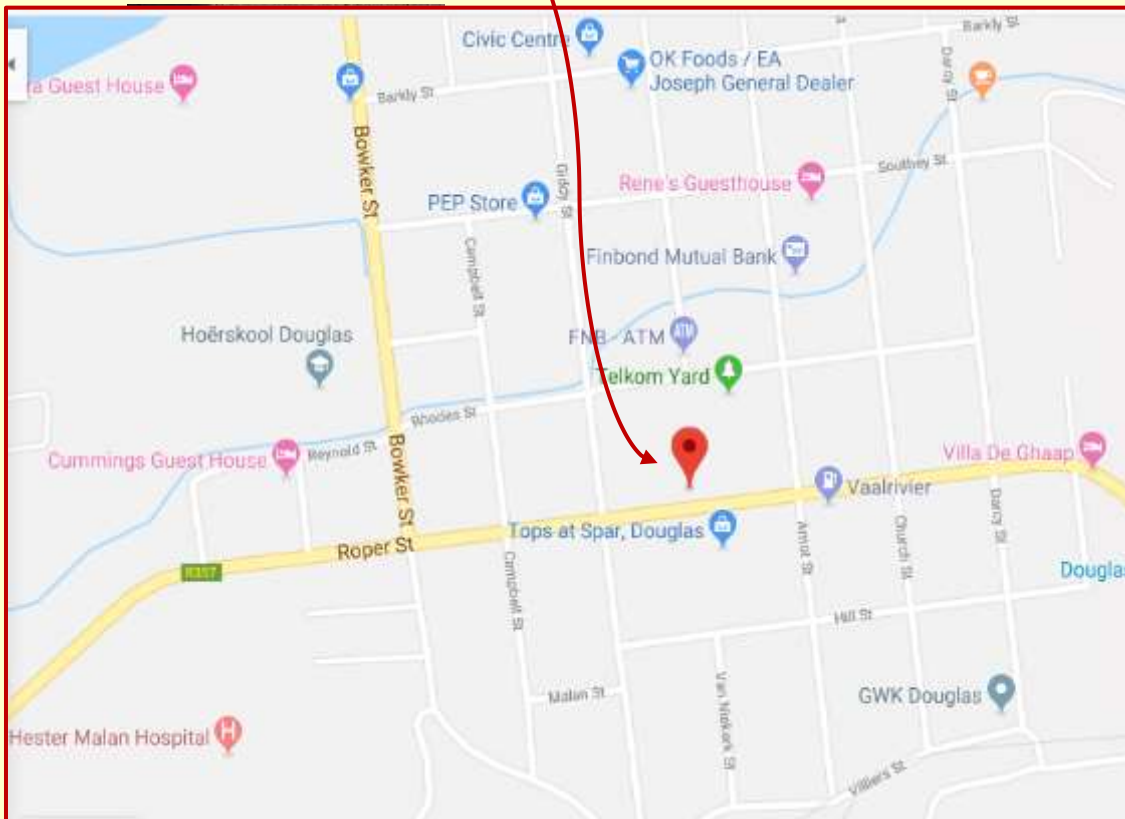
[apiebarnard@wsinet.co.za](mailto:apiebarnard@wsinet.co.za)

## DOUGLAS: Charles Maruma

Charles is based in Douglas, and produces wicker work. He is a creative young Zimbabwean, specializing in grass craft, for the last eight years. These items are useful and ornamental.



Charles Maruma's craft stall



Loch Street, Douglas, near Kameeldoring Padstal GPS 29°03'26.0"S 23°46'28.0"E	Charles 084 291 8876.	<a href="mailto:Marumacharles3@gmail.com">Marumacharles3@gmail.com</a>
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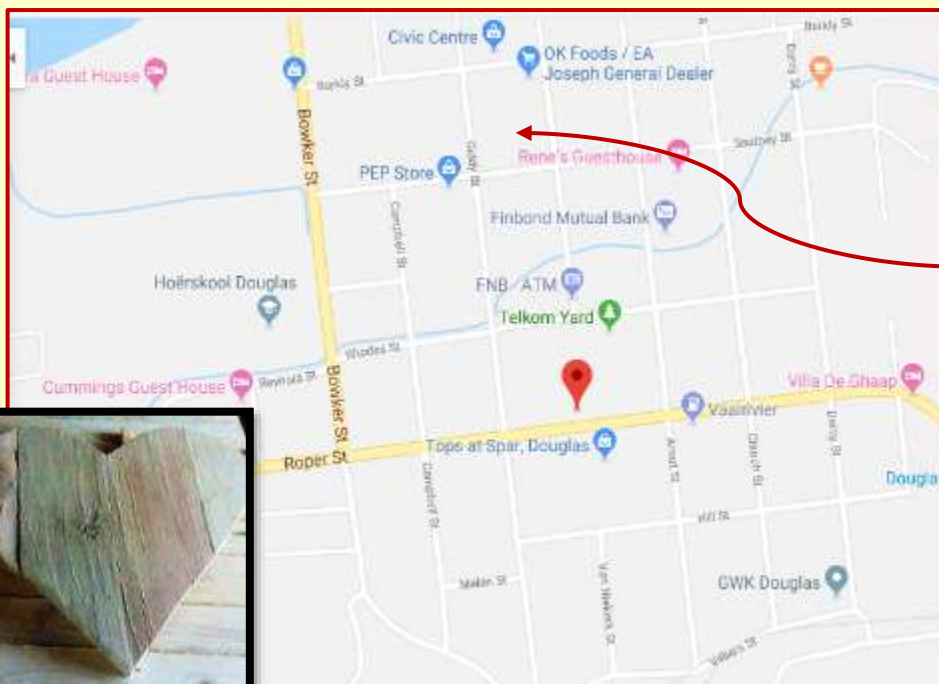
# DOUGLAS: Norman Mandibaya

Norman Mandibaya is originally from Harare, Zimbabwe. During 2000, he started doing art in Kathu, and in 2008 moved to Lime Acres. He then moved to Douglas and is doing recycling of old pallets, creating beautiful wooden furniture and ornaments.



Wine rack

Location: Loch Street, Central Business District	Douglas Business 4640	Norman: 083 087 4640	E-mail: <a href="mailto:mandibayanorman@gmail.com">mandibayanorman@gmail.com</a>
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Norman Mandibaya's craft stall

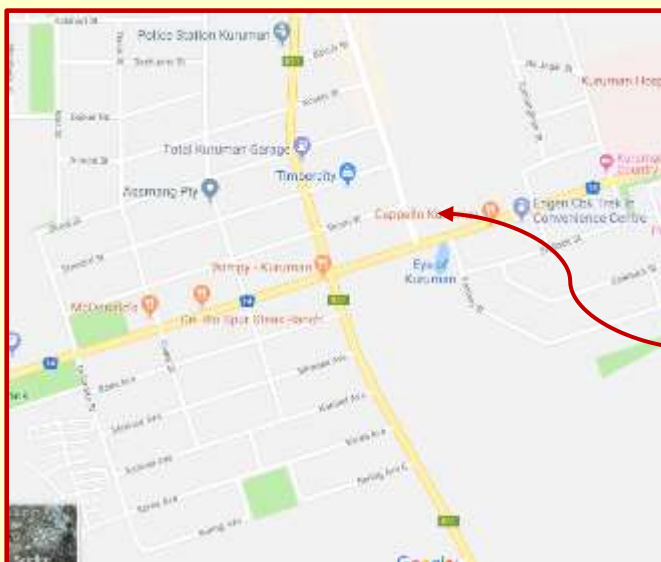


## KURUMAN: Hasan Ali's Couture

Hasan Ali migrated from the Western Cape to Kuruman, many years ago. He runs a small sewing craft business from a small business centre, Zebra Building in Kuruman. His niche is supplying surrounding schools with uniforms, jerseys and caps, but he also creates exquisite and colourful designer clothes.



Hasan Ali in action!



Zebra crafts on the M12 highway going through Kuruman between Vryburg and Kathu

Address: Zebra Building, Kuruman Main Road

Hasan:  
076 130 4793

E-mail:  
[Ha0906010@gmail.com](mailto:Ha0906010@gmail.com)

## MOTHIBISTAD: Eric Setlhoweng's *Daddy Art and Décor*

Daddy works from home, making exquisite and evocative sculptures. He also designs logos and signboards for different markets and clients.



Kneeling man



Chief of the Village



Bothatšwa hostel, Mothibistad

082 832 6708

Daddy.senatla@gmail.com

# MOTHEBISTAD: David Bontsheng's *Mathanthas Arts and Crafts*

David Bontsheng started his career in arts and craft in 2003, and he soon discovered his talent of designing. He collected wood, and crafted houses and other natural products. His first exhibition took place in 2004 at Mafikeng Mega Expo, and he also attended Macufe in Bloemfontein, to promote his knowledge on arts and craft.

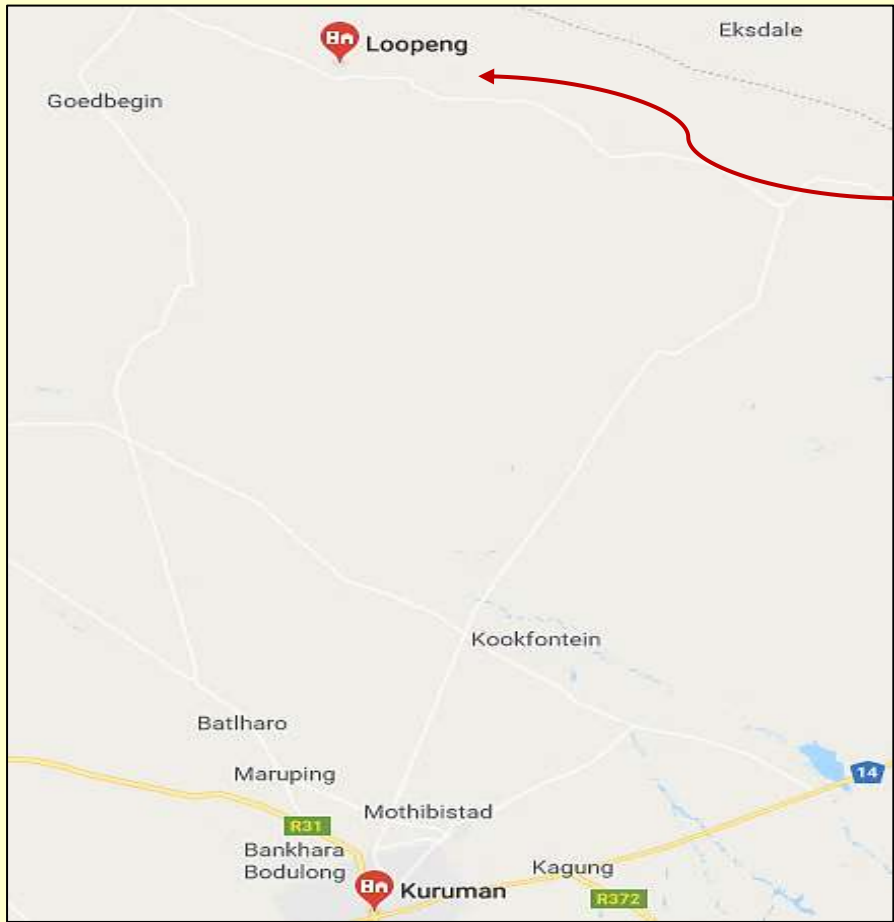


*Working with wood, iron and matchsticks ...*



*Lamp shades*





Mathantha's arts and crafts: Loopeng village



<p>Address: Mathanthanyaneng, Loopeng Village, Kuruman GPS: 26°48'17.7"S 23°24'32.4"E</p>	<p>David's cell: 060 506 4489</p>	<p><a href="mailto:blouw@seda.org.za">blouw@seda.org.za</a></p>
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## KURUMAN: Lethlogonolo Mpahlwa's Iconic Tattoos and Fabric Spray Art

Lathlogonalo is a 22-year old artist from Rustenburg. His business is called Iconic Spray Arts and Design, run from Zebra Building in Kuruman. He specializes in decor painting, air brush art, temporary and permanent tattoo, screen printing and body art.



Zebra Craft Centre, Kuruman  
Main Street, Kuruman (opposite  
the Eye)

Lathlogonalo's cell: 067 010  
7405

[mpahlwaspencer@gmail.com](mailto:mpahlwaspencer@gmail.com)

## KURUMAN: Willy Machogo's Dikgong Art Décor

Willy Machogo is a professional crafter in Kuruman. His products are highly sought after, particularly regarding his wooden crafts (chairs, bowls, pot plants and kitchen units). He often markets his products on the main road in Kuruman.



Zebra Building, Kuruman Main Road  
Just opposite the Eye of Kuruman

Willy's cell:  
072 468 7988

E-mail:  
[dikgongartdecor@gmail.com](mailto:dikgongartdecor@gmail.com)



Zebra Craft Centre



## KURUMAN: Tumedi Elliot Choma's leather belts

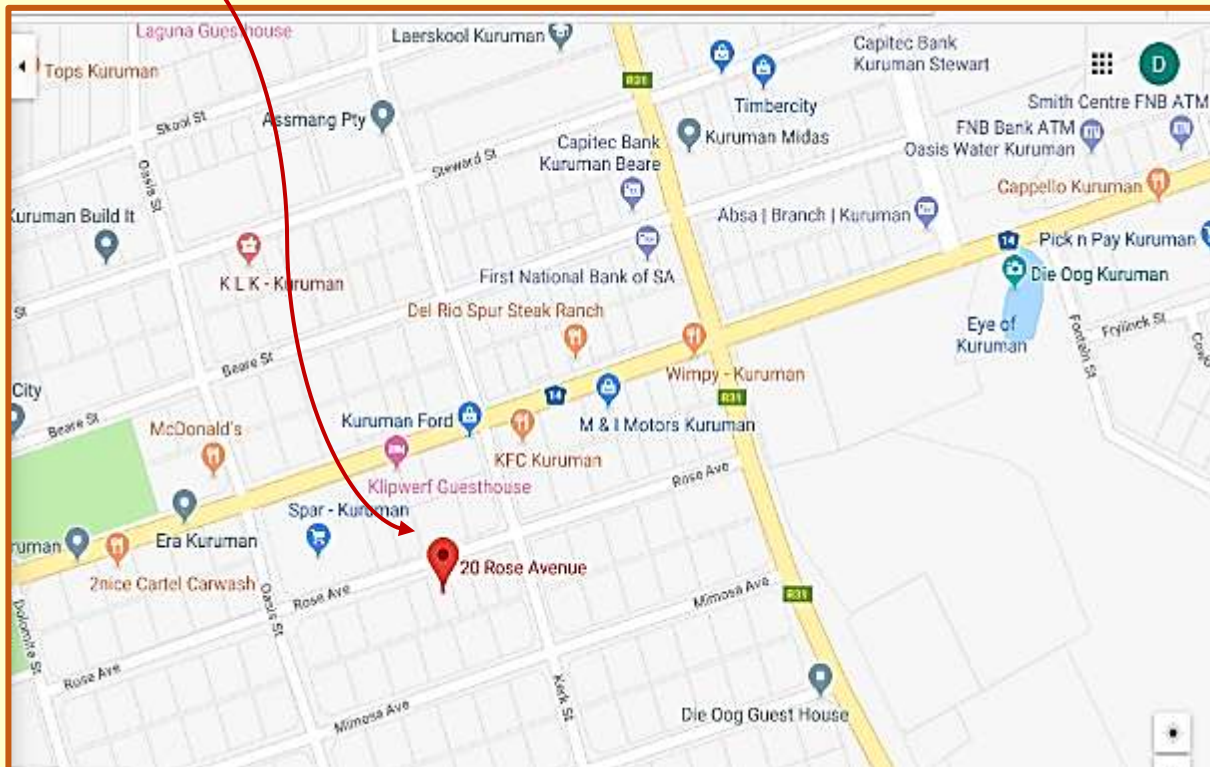
Tumedi is a versatile leather crafter, based in Rose Street, in the Kuruman CBD. His products include a wide array of leather belts, clasps, wallets and leather ornaments. His products are ideal light-weight gifts for tourists and travellers.





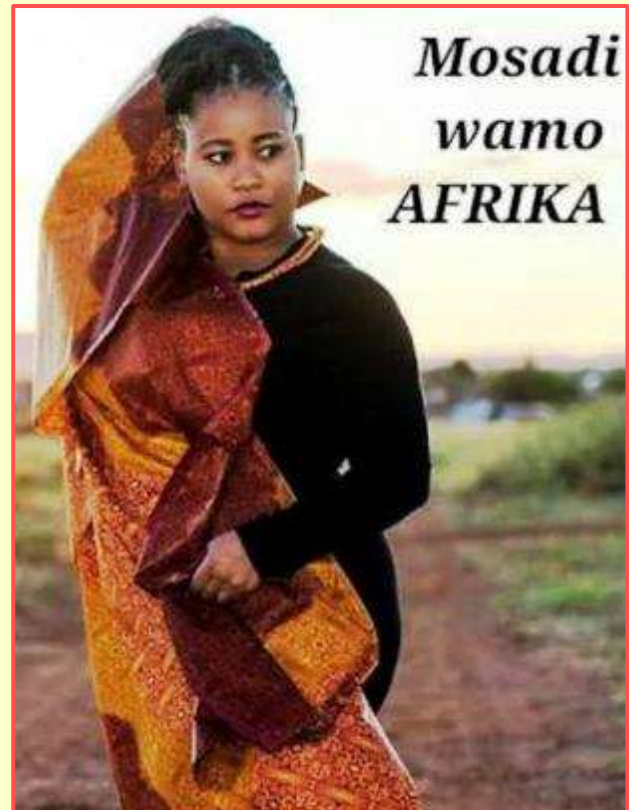
Address: 20 Rose Street, Kuruman GPS: 27°27'54.8"S 23°25'53.4"E	Tumedí's cell: 079 128 7855	E-mail: <a href="mailto:chomaleatherbelts@gmail.com">chomaleatherbelts@gmail.com</a>
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## Choma's Leather Belts



## KURUMAN: Koko Moremi's Mosadi Wa MoAfrika

Koko Moremi's products vibrant colours and style can be seen at her shop in the Kuruman CBD. Also check out the Mosadi Wa MoAfrika Facebook page!



Address:  
32 Deare Street  
Old Mutual Building, shop #11

073 641 5200

E-mail:  
[bppmoremi@gmail.com](mailto:bppmoremi@gmail.com)  
Check out Mosami Wa  
Afrika on Facebook!





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