

*"Imicabango, engameli thina,
kodwa eyacatshwanga abamhloph
ngabamnyama. Kuyizinkomba ezazigqame
kwabamhloph zedluliselwa kwabamnyama,
kwakheka isithombe esinamandla
esaggama kwabamnyama kwaba isithombe
esinamandla futhi sabanezinhoso ezithile.
Yize noma kunjalo kwakungabalulekanga
kithi"¹ – ngokusho kuka Grada Kilomba.*

Bangani kanye nesibambisene nabo kulomkhakha,

Ngenkathi eqokelwa ukuhlaziya ngamafuphi umsebenzi weSaison Africa 2020, u-saay/yaas wavukwa ugqozi ngamasu asetshenziswa ukuggamisa ubuzwekazi baseAfrika namaphethelo kanye nezindlela okwakugganyiswe ngazo, ubunzu, kanye nobuchule okuqukhethwe², ngenkathi ethula imicabango eyayinika izinga eliphezulu, kanalemicabango ebicade ikhona, engaguquki, kanye neqhakambisa ubuzwekazi baseAfrika, "...bakwazi ukucacisela laba abangabanga nenhlanhla yokuthola ulwazi ukuze bazi"³. u-Saay/yaas babamba imiboniso yokumiswa kvezakhiwo (architecture) "ezaziwayo", kwadaleka umgudu omile wokukhangisa obalulekile nonemikhawulo ebekelwe isillinganiso, ngenkathi ephendula, kwasungulwa indlela yokuxhumana eyaziwa nge-her(e), otherwise.

Njengesandiso, uma kungenjalo, "siguqlwe noma sifaneleke ukuba isiphawulo", "igqamise ubudlelwane phakathi kwendawo, isikhathi, isimo, indlela, izizathu, izinga, njalo njalo." Ukusetshenziswa kwalegama emqulwini othi her(e), otherwise, yafundeka njengobulili besifazane, bendawo, uma kunjalo, iyinkomba yobudlelwane obuhlangahlangene, benkathi kanye nendawo, yakhelwa ukuze ibekanjalo futhi yakhe lomkhakha njengowesifazane wase-Afrika/nasezwenikazi lonke, elinomkhakha obuswa abesilisa, abamhloph, abadla izambane likapondo futhi nababuswa impucuko yezizwe emkhakheni wokumiswa kvezakhiwo.

her(e), otherwise yinkundla ephilayo, equukethe imibono eguquka njalo, okuyisizinda esimumeteh ulwazi olubalulekile olundluliswe ngobukhulu ubuchule lobu ukuhlela izindlela zemibuzzo eminingi nangezindlela zokuqonda kanye nokwenza ukumiswa kvezakhiwo ukuze kube nokuxhumana ngaso sonke isikhathi kwakheke ubudlelwane, ukucobelana ngolwazi, izimo kanye nobuhlakan obumayelana nezwekazi lase-Afrika. Le webhu izobhekisisa isidingo esibalulekile sokuqoqa nokwamukela, ukucobelana ngolwazi kanye nokukhulisa komphakhathi kwabantu besifazane abamnyama abazibandakanya nalomkhakha ngazo zonke izindlela, kulendawo yokusebenza futhi ekubuyiseni ukuzithemba ebantwini kulomkhakha.

Simema amaciko asungule izindlela zavo "zokukhangisa" ngokuziqambela eyabo imisebenzi , imicabango, egqamisa ubufakazi, ekhangayo Kanye nengakhangi, ethokozisa umqondo (ebonwayo, ezwakalayo noma ebhalwayo), ephothulwe, eqediwe nengaediwe noma amaphrojekthi ayiphupho (imifanekiso mqondo), imibuzzo, imicu/izitatemendi noma eqophisanayo yangabekelwa migomo namibandela elindeleke ukulandelwa. Lemikhiqizo ingathunyelwa ngokuzidalula okanye ithunyelwe ngokuzifihla ungazidaluli. Ungazethula njengendawo yokusebenza, ababambisene noma uziemele wedwa. Ukuze kube yimpumelelo, sikunxusa ukuba udlulise isimemo nakwabanye ezweni kazi lase-Afrika namaphethelo, ukuze nabo bakwazi ukwakha izikhangiso zabo bazithumele, ngaleyondlela siyophumelela ekukhuliseni lo mkhakha, amaciko akwazi ukucabanga kanye nabasebenzi bokumiswa kvezakhiwo abaxhumene ngazo zonke izindlela ekumisweni kvezakhiwo kanye nezindlela zokwenza izindawo futhi abantu bazibone bafanelekile ukuba kulomkhakha.

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1. Grada Kilomba, Plantation Memories. Episodes of Everyday Racism, (Münster, UNRAST-Verlag 2010), p. 4.

2. African Mobilities, ehlungwe uMpho Matsipa; Reconstructions: Architecture and Blackness in America ehlungwe uSean Anderson and Mabel Wilson, the Black Trans Archive iprojekthi kaDanielle Brathwaite-Shirley, phakathi kwezinye.

3. ngenkathi uGabi Ngcobo abambe ingqungquthela kuhlaluke ukusetshenziswa kolwazi njengeqhinga lokukhetha ukwenza izinto, wachaza umsebenzi wakhe "kasilidlingi elinye iqhawe" eveza ukwenqaba "ebonisa intshisekelo kuqhawekazi elizimele eliphethe ngokuhambisana nokusingatha okuphtheneyo. Eselapho, ukunqaba lokhu kusebenzisa njengeqhinga eliphonsa inselele kulabo abaqokile noma bathweswe ijoka lo onikwe indlanzana ukuba liphathethe yize balindeleke ukuchazela labo abasezingeni lokungazi".
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