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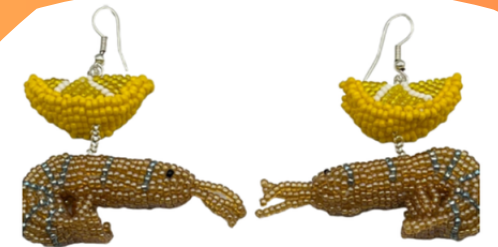
Mandela Day: Making Every Day a Chance to Give Back

As Mandela Day approaches, we're reminded of Madiba's words: "What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made to the lives of others." Nelson Mandela International Day is more than just a day; it's a chance for all of us to do something with great love and uplift our communities in ways that matter. It's a global celebration of compassion, courage, and community. It's a time to reflect on how we can all make a difference, even in the smallest of ways.

We've curated a special Mandela-inspired collection — filled with items that celebrate his legacy of unity, hope, and giving. Available online at www.wozamoya.co.za

resh Catch! Say hello to our newest arrivals - and trust us they are making waves.

Our new collection of Shrimp earrings is quirky, fun and totally unexpected - these tiny crustaceans are here to steal the spotlight. Bold enough to spark conversation and light enough to wear all day!





Strung with Love, Worn with Pride

Every handmade necklace at Woza Moya carries more than just beads — it carries the stories of the women who make them. Many of our crafters, from places like Ladysmith and Pinetown, started beading out of a love for art or to support their families. Through challenges and second chances, they've found strength, purpose, and pride in their work. Each necklace is crafted with care, culture, and meaning. As one maker shared, "You cannot make these necklaces if you are not patient and caring."

Read the full story on our blog

<https://www.wozamoya.co.za/2025/06/25/beaded-necklaces-strung-with-love-worn-with-pride/>



We Present the Artist of the Month for July!

Lindiwe Zulu is a talented self-taught artist based in Clermont. Her artistic journey was sparked by her love of drawing paper dolls and the encouragement she received from her classmates. Her mother, a craft enthusiast, also played a significant role in nurturing her creativity.



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Zulu's artwork is characterized by its embodiment of childlike innocence, drawing inspiration from the purity of youth. Experimenting with oil and acrylic paints, as well as charcoal, she has developed a unique style that has garnered recognition. Her work has been exhibited at the KZNSA Gallery and the BMW Art Exhibition. With a strong vision and determination, Zulu aspires to take her art to new heights. "I know my work will take me far," she says, with her sights set on showcasing her talent in a solo exhibition.

Interested in collaborating or learning more about Lindiwe's work? Follow her on social media @artbylouw to stay updated on her latest projects and exhibitions. If you're interested in commissioning a piece or exploring potential collaborations, feel free to reach out to her directly through her social media channels. We look forward to seeing where her artistic journey takes her.



Woza Moya at the Comrades Expo 2025

HACT was again part of the charities sponsoring the Comrades Marathon this year, and Woza Moya showcased a vibrant range of locally made crafts. One of the standout attractions? A stunning set of wings crafted in the bold, beautiful colours of the South African flag — a tribute to unity, freedom, and resilience.

Visitors from across the country stopped to take photos in front of the wings, turning the display into a joyful celebration of craft, culture, and Comrades spirit.





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