**Gresham Tapiwa Nyaude**

**Biography**

 2008 National Certificate in Fine Art - National Gallery of Zimbabwe Visual Arts Studios.

Mbare is Harare’s and perhaps Zimbabwe’s most vibrant and notorious ghetto. Allegedly ridden with hooliganism, violence and prostitution, Mbare is said to parallel the conditions of Harare for Zimbabweans during the colonial segregation era (in respect of its hardship and quality of living space). To this day Mbare retains the character of a port city with its trade, shady deals and otherwise bustle of unremitting human traffic amid urban decay.

Born and raised in Mbare, Nyaude works against the sweeping identity that has been defined by the voice of the state. His images oscillate between figuration, abstraction and hallucination, drawing from the restless energy of the ghetto. Living on the verge between survival and demise has been somewhat of a call to poetry, at times proving brutal and at others sentimental or cynically satirical. His figures defy characterisation, underscored by the humanity of their quest to attain a quality of life that appears even beyond the reach of dreams.

# **Exhibitions**

2017:Another Antipodes/urban axis, PS Art Space, Fremantle, Australia

2017:Hello Harare! - Collaging the City, First Floor Gallery Harare

2017:Cape Town Art Fair 2017, First Floor Gallery Harare, Cape Town, South Africa

2017:Face the Magic: Gule Wamkulu and its heirs, Valerie Kabov curator, Loving Monro Gallery, Santa Monica, USA

2017:London Art Fair, Dialogues, Miguel Amado curator, First Floor Gallery Harare, London, UK

2016:AKAA, Paris , France, First Floor Gallery Harare

2016:Joburg Art Fair, First Floor Gallery Harare, Johannesburg, South Africa

2016:Art 16, Emerge Section, First Floor Gallery Harare, London, UK

2016:Cape Town Art Fair, First Floor Gallery Harare. Cape Town, South Africa, First Floor Gallery Harare

2015:Flaunt, Africa New Wave Now – Ethan Cohen Fine Arts, NY, USA

2015:SUMMA contemporary Art Fair – Madrid, Spain

2015:FNB Joburg Art Fair 2015 - Johannesburg, South Africa

2015:Harare > Mundopa, Nyaude – Hazard Gallery, Johannesburg, SA

2015:Tomorrow’s Today - Cape Town Art Fair – Cape town, South Africa

2014:1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair 2014, London, UK

2014:FNB Jo’burg at Jo’burg Art Fair 2014 - Johannesburg, South Africa

2014:Wayland Rudd Collection, curated by Evgeniy Fiks, First Floor Gallery Harare – Harare,Zimbabwe

2014:No Limits (HIFA) at First Floor Gallery Harare – Harare, Zimbabwe

2014:Young Artist Exhibition at National Gallery of Zimbabwe – Harare, Zimbabwe

2013: 1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair – London, United Kingdom

2013:Berliner Liste Art Fair 2013 - Berlin, Germany

2013:In Black and White at First Floor Gallery Harare – Harare, Zimbabwe

2013:No Limits (HIFA) at First Floor Gallery Harare – Harare, Zimbabwe

2013:Chiso exhibition at First Floor Gallery Harare – Harare, Zimbabwe

2013:Artist in the Stream at Gallery Delta – Harare, Zimbabwe, 2012

2013:Harare Harare at First Floor Gallery Harare - Harare, Zimbabwe

2013:Young and Awakening at Gorgan Museum – Golestan, Iran

2013:Raising the Roof at Tambira gallery - Harare, Zimbabwe

2013:Tradition religion and culture at Gallery Delta – Harare, Zimbabwe

2013:Artist in the Stream at Gallery Delta - Harare, Zimbabwe

2013:Unity Exhibition at Gallery Delta - Harare, Zimbabwe

2011:Freedom revisited at Gallery Delta - Harare, Zimbabwe

2011:Artist in the stream 1 at Gallery Delta - Harare, Zimbabwe

2010:Facet Exhibition at Gallery Delta -Harare, Zimbabwe

2010:Walls exhibition at Gallery Delta - Harare, Zimbabwe

2010:African Colour and Soho at Maputo Gallery - Mozambique

2010:Zimbabwe @ 30 at National Gallery - Harare, Zimbabwe

2009:Women exhibition at Gallery Delta - Harare, Zimbabwe

2009:Land exhibition Gallery Delta - Harare, Zimbabwe

2009:Dumela Word Exhibition - Georgia, USA

2009:COTTCO exhibition National Gallery of Zimbabwe - Harare, Zimbabwe

2009:Final Year exhibition National Gallery of Zimbabwe - Harare, Zimbabwe

**Workshops/Residencies**

2017: Another Antipodes, Exhibition - Artist residency, Fremantle, Australia 2017:Nairobi Project The Gathering: Artist Symposium

2015:Asiko School, Maputo, Mozambique=