



EFF STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF ACTOR MENZI NGUBANE

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The EFF is deeply saddened by the passing of actor-extraordinaire Menzi Ngubane, one of South Africa's most loved actors in Television and Film. The EFF has learnt that the actor passed away as a result of a stroke after a long struggle with kidney troubles. We send our condolences to the Ngubane family.

Menzi Ngubane was born in Ladysmith in 1964. He moved to Johannesburg and started a career that spanned well over three decades. He was well known for his signature performance which the country was treated to in television shows like Kwakhala Nyonini, Ashes to Ashes and Gazlam. His career really took off when he landed the part of Dumi Mkhali in the feature 'In My Country' alongside world acclaimed actor Samuel L. Jackson. He has since acted in his most famous most roles as Ngamla in Generations and Judas Ngwenya in Isibaya.

Menzi was lesser known for his illustrious theatre career which included roles in Seazer as Brutus and Street Sisters directed by theatre legend John Ledwaba. He played the part of Enoch Sontonga in a theatre musical. Menzi Ngubane was a versatile actor and loved by South Africans in general. In 2008 he was crowned the over-all winner of the Stars of Mzansi award.

The EFF salutes this tower of the television industry for his tireless work. He was praised by many who have worked with him as a kind and bubbly character. He shall be remembered as one of South Africa's greats in the entertainment world. A resilient worker who survived the Apartheid era, migrated to Johannesburg from KZN and made a name for himself. His work stands as a tower of tenacity and dedication. Menzi is survived by his wife and two daughters.

The EFF sends its heartfelt condolences to those who have worked with him; the entire industry and to his friends and family. South Africa has lost its precious son.

Lala ngoxolo Somahashi. Lala ngoxolo Nyoniyezwe.

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