

History of Africa Would Be Incomplete Without Mentioning Fidel Castro

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The history of Africa cannot be written today without mentioning the name of Fidel Castro and the contribution of Cubans to the liberation of the continent, South African activist, Clever Banganayi has said.

In an interview with Prensa Latina, in which he detailed the activities planned to celebrate the 90th birthday of the Cuban leader, on August 13th, the deputy general secretary of the Association of Friends of Cuba in South Africa (Focus), said that Fidel and Cuba had done a lot for Africans.

He recalled Fidel's contribution as a strategist for achieving victory in the war in Angola that led to the liberation of Namibia and South Africa.

"We have started with a beautiful exhibition of 90 photos of Fidel, we want many South Africans to appreciate them," he said.

Students from 50 to 100 schools in Pretoria will see the exhibition in the Freedom Park's monument Art Gallery from July 25th, although the official opening will be on August 5th.

Banganayi, an ex-graduate in the Caribbean nation, referred to the symbolism of presenting the exhibition at the Freedom Park monument.

The names of more than 2,000 Cubans who gave their lives for the independence of Africa and the world have been included in the Wall of Remembrance at the monument.

The exhibition "Fidel Castro at 90: Rarely Seen Photographs of the Cuban Leader" are exclusive images taken by photo reporters from the Latin American News Agency, Prensa Latina.

The celebration of the leader's birthday is within the context of 20 years of the beginning of the collaboration



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