Defiant Visions
curated by Marie Meyerding
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(Works In Order Following Along the Left Wall)

Mabel Cetu, Photographer unidentified, Zonk! African People’s Pictorial, October 1956, front cover, 1956, Magazine page, 26 x 35 cm

Mabel Cetu, Photographer unidentified, Zonk! African People’s Pictorial, October 1956, page 11, 1956, Magazine page, 26 x 35 cm

Mabel Cetu, Photographer unidentified, Zonk! African People’s Pictorial, October 1956, page 12, 1956, Magazine page, 26 x 35 cm

Mabel Cetu, Mabel Cetu, Zonk! African People’s Pictorial, February 1957, page 19, 1957, Magazine page, 26 x 35 cm

Mabel Cetu, Mabel Cetu, Zonk! African People’s Pictorial, May 1957, page 31, 1957, Magazine page, 26 x 35 cm

Zubeida Vallie, Zubeida Vallie self-portrait, 1996, Photo, 6 x 6 inch

(Top Row, Left to Right)

Zubeida Vallie, ANC (African National Congress) Women’s League meeting on Women’s Day. Community members commemorate female political prisoners at St. Francis Church Hall in Langa, Cape Town, circa 1980s, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

Zubeida Vallie, Father P.J. Pearson in a church hall in Cape Town, where the congregation were tear-gassed and attacked by police after the funerals of ANC (African National Congress) members, Robbie Waterwitch and Coline Williams, circa 1980s, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

Zubeida Vallie, A Black Sash member protests against the detainment of anti-apartheid activists, Cape Town. Her sign reads, "Release or charge all detainees", circa 1980s, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

(Bottom Row Left to Right)

Zubeida Vallie, Attorney Christine Berger, with Colleen Lombard, outside the Supreme/High Court during the Yengeni Trial, 1989 Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

Zubeida Vallie, Student protesters overwhelmed by teargas on the UWC (University of the Western Cape) campus, Bellville, Cape Town, 1983, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

Zubeida Vallie, Thandi Klaasen speaks at a United Women's Congress (UWCO) event, Heroes’ Day, Langa, circa 1980s, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

(Following Left Wall)
Zubeida Vallie, A mother holds a photograph of her slain child, Shaun Magmoed, who was killed in an incident known as the 'Trojan Horse massacre' when three young boys were shot and killed by security forces during a student protest in Athlone, Cape Town, circa 1980s, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

Zubeida Vallie, Mass funeral at the Gugulethu Cemetery in Cape Town, circa 1980s, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

Zubeida Vallie, Political prisoners on their release from Robben Island prison, accompanied by prison personnel, Cape Town Harbour, 1991, Photo, 4.25 x 7.75 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, Slide Show, early 1990s, Slides

(Above Square Table Left to Right)

Lesley Lawson, Self-portrait in my kitchen, top road, Langlaagte Deep, Crown Mines, 1978, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Mavis dressed for church in her backyard room, Be Valley, Johannesburg, 1987, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Trade unionists celebrate the unbanning of the ANC, Johannesburg inner city, 1990, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Minding a laundry press, dubbed “the abortion machine” because it caused so many miscarriages, Johannesburg, 1984, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Trade unionist Mam’ Lydia Kompe speaks at the launch of the book Working Women, Noordgesig, Soweto, 1985, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Night cleaner polishing the boardroom table, Johannesburg, 1984, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Maureen arriving in Soweto after her working night, 1982, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Maureen sharing a bed with her grandson and mother. This is the sleeping arrangement on her nights off, Soweto, 1982, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Frisking at the end of the working day, Johannesburg knitwear factory, 1981, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

Lesley Lawson, Anna Hlatshwayo in front of the house that she is repairing, Kwangema, 1983, Photo, 15.2 x 20.3 cm

(Table, Square)

Lesley Lawson, Lesley Lawson, Nightshift, 1982, Photographs and Text presenting excerpts from an audiovisual programme featuring Maureen Sithole, a nurse aide in a Johannesburg old age home

(Following Left Wall)
Mavis Mtandeki, *UWCO Members at the Second Funeral of King Sabata Jonguhlanga Dalindyebo at Bumbane Great Place, Eastern Cape*, 1st October 1989, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *Jean Benjamin at the United Women’s Congress General Council Meeting*

Mavis Mtandeki, *March of Domestic Workers to Demand a Wage Increase in the Centre of Cape Town*, early 1990s, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *Hairdresser in Yona Centre, Gugulethu*, 1989, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *ANC Women’s League Lunch in Kwezi*, early 1990s, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *Leader of a Group of Amaqirha in Her Room in Gugulethu*, early 1990s, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *Magagufi and Her Son in Their Small Shack in Tambo Square*, early 1990s, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *Women Making Umqombothi (Xhosa Beer) in Lusaka, Nyanga East*, 1989, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *Woman Collecting Wood in the Bush for Cooking in Khayelitsha*, 1989, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

Mavis Mtandeki, *Woman Resting in a Shack in Tambo Square*, 1991, Photo, 11.7 x 16.5 inch

*(Table, Round)*

Francis Wilson and Omar Badsha, *South Africa: The Cordoned Heart*, 1986, Photobook


Mavis Mtandeki and Marie Meyerding, *Sights of Struggle: The History of the Tambo Village Women*, 2023, Photobook

*(Following Left Wall)*

Georgina Karvellas and Deborah May, *You Have Struck A Rock*, 1981, Film, 28 min

Jansje Wissema, *District Six photographed before the removal*, early 1970s, Photo, 40 x 40 cm *(10 Photographs)*