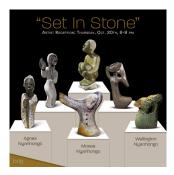
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A piece of Zimbabwe will make its way to the Bonner David Galleries in Old Town Scottsdale starting October 20th.



Three siblings from the internationally known sculpting Nyanhongo family from Zimbabwe: Agnes, the eldest, and one of the leading female sculptors in Africa, and her brothers Wellington and Moses will be exhibiting their latest stone sculpture at Bonner David Galleries.

The exhibit "Set in Stone: Shona Sculpture From Zimbabwe," featuring Agnes, Moses and Wellington Nyanhongo, is an experience unlike any other. The brothers will demonstrate their sculpting talents to the public as well as entertain school field trips to educate art lovers and expose them to this original sculpting medium.



All three of these sculptors are children of Claud Nyanhongo, one of the first generation Shona sculptors. Having studied with a master, each of these artists has developed their own unique style and influences. Agnes is known for sculpting the role of women with her careful detail and feminine style. Wellington has become distinctive for the posture of his figures and their distinctive hands and ears. Moses, as the youngest, has gone through the biggest evolution, working to cultivate his own flair while remaining true to the original movement. The native springstone, as well as opalstone, lepidolite and serpentine are sensual to the touch and beckon the viewer to participate in the rich stories these sculptures tell. These events are rare opportunities to meet sculptors of this movement and watch as they create their native art.

10% from the sale of each stone sculpture will go to raise money for the Maulana School for Orphans. The school, located in the township of Epworth in Zimbabwe, is the result of the devastating AIDS epidemic that has spread throughout the country. Moses has embarked on a fundraising campaign, raising money and awareness at exhibitions around the world. visit <u>www.sahwira.org</u> to find out more about the school, and how you can help. Recently, a successful show in California raised \$16,000 for the orphanage and is hoping to be just as successful here.

Enjoy this unique exhibit from October 20th through November 9th. During its opening day, a demonstration will take place from 3pm-5:30pm and the artist reception will take place from 6pm-9pm.

Artist Demonstrations:

In Gallery: Oct 20th 1-3pm Oct 22nd 12-5pm

Biltmore Fashion Park: Oct 21st 4-9pm

Bonner David Galleries is located at 7040 E. Main Street, Scottsdale. For more information visit www.bonnerdavid.com or call 480-941-8500.

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