

A Celebration of the Unveiling of the Nelson Mandela Statue

Nelson Mandela Place, Glasgow • Friday 9 October



Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela
18/7/1918 – 5/12/2013

South African anti-apartheid activist.

Imprisoned by apartheid for over 27 years.

Awarded the Freedom of the City of Glasgow in 1981, the first city in the world to present him with the honour while he was still incarcerated.

Visited Glasgow in 1993 to receive the Freedom of the City and that of 8 other UK cities.

1st President of a democratic, non-racial South Africa 1994 – 1999.

The Nelson Mandela Scottish Memorial Foundation is a registered charity which raised the funds for this statue of Nelson Mandela and conducts educational activity about apartheid, that 'crime against humanity' and the life and struggle of Nelson Mandela. This educational activity also builds on the proud role that Glasgow, Scotland and beyond played in solidarity with the South African people and aims to support future generations in standing up against racism and inequality. We continue to celebrate and recognise Glasgow being the first city in the world to grant Mandela the Freedom of the City.

The statue was commissioned by the Foundation through a competitive design competition which resulted in the selection of talented and established Scottish sculptor:

Alan B Herriot. <https://alanherriot.co.uk/>

This statue will provide a focal point for continuing anti-racist education. Already, we have partnered with the West of Scotland Education Development Centre (WoSDEC) in creating learning resources which are in use in Glasgow's primary schools.

There is a wealth of supporting archive and current information available regarding Nelson Mandela's life and legacy, and we hope that you and many visitors to this site will enjoy accessing this via the QR Code here.



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This memorial would not have been possible without the financial, personal and professional support of many individuals and organisations,

We are grateful to our supporters across Scotland and beyond who have donated financially, attended events and generally promoted this project. We appreciate the support of the High Commissioner for South Africa, and the Lord Provost of Glasgow, and the pro-bono support of a range of professionals and organisations. The realisation of the statue would not have been possible without this professional, financial and in-kind support and we acknowledge these contributions more fully on our website.

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