

SAMA Conferences 1936 - 20265

	Year	dates		Venue	Theme
	1936	23 April	Kimberley	Public Library	SAMA inaugural meeting
1 st	1937	30-31 March	King Williamstown	Council Chamber, Town Hall	
2 nd	1938	19-21 April	Durban	Art Gallery	
3 rd	1939	10-11 April	Bulawayo	Public Library	
4 th	1940	26-28 March	Cape Town	Archives Building	
5 th	1941	2-4 July	Johannesburg		
6 th	1942	7-9 April	Port Elizabeth		
7 th	1943	27-29 April	Pietermaritzburg	Natal Museum, Pietermaritzburg	
8 th	1944	9-11 May	Bloemfontein	National Museum	
9 th	1945	7-9 May	East London	Technical College	
10 th	1946	26-28 June	Pretoria	Transvaal Museum	
11 th	1947	8-11 July	Grahamstown	Rhodes University College	
12 th	1948	16-19 March	Johannesburg,	Africana Museum	
13 th	1949	29 Mar – 1 April	Durban	No 3 Committee Room, City Hall	
14 th	1950	28-31 March	Cape Town	Archives Building	
15 th	1951	12-15 March	Bulawayo	Chamber of Commerce Building	
16 th	1952	7-10 April	East London	East London Museum	
17 th	1953	24-27 March	Kimberley	Northern Cape Technical College	
18 th	1954	17-20 May	Livingstone, Northern Rhodesia	Rhodes-Livingstone Museum	
19 th	1955	15-18 March	Pietermaritzburg	Natal Museum	
20 th	1956	1-4 May	Pretoria	Transvaal Museum	
21 st	1957	7-10 May	Bloemfontein	National Museum	
22 nd	1958	29 Apr-2 May	Grahamstown	Rhodes University	
23 rd	1959	4-6 May	Windhoek	Methodist Hall	
24 th	1960	7-10 June	Johannesburg	Africana Museum	
25 th	1961	25-28 April	Durban	City Hall	
26 th	1962	15-18 May	Cape Town	South African Museum	
27 th	1963	March	Port Elizabeth		
28 th	1964	7-10 April	Salisbury	Queen Victoria Museum	
29 th	1965	23-26 March	King Williams Town	Kafrarian Museum	
30 th	1966	19-24 April	Lourenco Marques	Museu Dr. Alvaro de Castro te Lourenco Marques	
31 st	1967	10-13 May	Bulawayo	National Museum of Rhodesia, Bulawayo	
32 nd	1968	7-10 May	East London	East London Museum	
33 rd	1969	22-25 April	Pietermaritzburg	Natal Museum, Pietermaritzburg	
34 th	1970	28 Apr–1 May	Bloemfontein	National Museum	
35 th	1971	23-26 March	Kimberley	William Humphries Art Gallery	Museums and the human species
36 th	1972	27-30 June	Pretoria	Pretoria Art Gallery	
37 th	1973	19-23 March	Oudtshoorn	CP Nel Museum	
38 th	1974	11-15 March	Port Elizabeth	Hotel Elizabeth	
39 th	1975	4-10 June	Cape Town	South African Museum	
40 th	1976	7-11 June	Blantyre, Malawi	Mt Soche Hotel	
41 st	1977	3-5 May	Durban	Durban Oceanarium	

42 nd	1978	3-6 April	Ezulwini, Swaziland	Royal Swazi Hotel	
43 rd	1979		Stellenbosch		
44 th	1980	29 April – 1 May	Pilgrim's Rest	Recreation Hall	
45 th	1981	27-30 April	East London	Kennaway Hotel	
46 th	1982	27-29 April	Gaborone, Botswana	National Museum & Art Gallery	
47 th	1983	19-21 April	Windhoek	Academy for Tertiary Education	
48 th	1984	15-18 April	Saxonwold, Johannesburg	SA Museum of Military History	
49 th	1985	23-26 April	Grahamstown	1820 Settlers National Monument	
50 th	1986	22-26 April	Kimberley	Kimberley Sun	
51 st	1987	May	Pietermaritzburg	Imperial Hotel	Museums in a changing and divided society
52 nd	1988		Stellenbosch	Stellenbosch Town Hall	
53 rd	1989	April	Bloemfontein	Clarendon Hall – annex of Town Hall	
54 th	1990	May	Port Elizabeth		
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56 th	1992	June	Durban		
57 th	1993		Blydepoort; Willem Prinsloo, etc		Consisted of various study tours to Museums in the old Transvaal
58 th	1994	23-26 May	East London		Towards a charter
59 th	1995	17-21 July	Cape Town		Getting on with the job
60 th	1996	22-25 April	Kimberley		Museums for the people
61 st	1997	21-27 April	Pietermaritzburg		Changing gear: museums into the future
62 nd	1998	4-8 May	Berg-en-Dal		Mahungu – let us talk together
63 rd	1999	20 April	Heidelberg		The nature of museums and museums of nature
64 th	2000	29 May - 02 June	Robben Island,		Museums 2000: rebirth and renewal
65 th	2001	5-7 June	Port Elizabeth	Pine Lodge resort	A question of museum ethics: Hayi bo! Shu! Eina! Ouch! A conference for the courageous
66 th	2002	3-7 June	Kwazulu-Natal	Durban & Pietermaritzburg	New Paradigms for the heritage sector in the 21 st century. Vuk'uzihathe: Umhlaba ukuphonsela inselelo
67 th	2003	1-6 June	SAMA Gauteng		Museums the best kept secret. The key to education and exhibitions
68 th	2004	1-3 June	Cape Town	Castle of Good Hope	Democratising museums and heritage. 10 years on
69 th	2005	24-26 May	Bloemfontein	President Hotel	Bridging the Boundaries: Integrating collections, curators, communities
70 th	2006	12-14 June	Kwazulu-Natal,	Champagne Sports resort	Making the intangible tangible. Museums and intangible heritage
71 st	2007	29 -31 May	Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site,	Maropeng	Museums in a Virtual Age
72 nd	2008	8-13 June	Cape Town	Stellenbosch University Business School	Sacred and Secret Heritage
73 rd	2009	7-10 Sept	Port Elizabeth	Pine Lodge	Practical Museology – basics and new concepts
74 th	2010	27-29 Sept	Durban	Riverside Hotel	Museums in Action: To 2010

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75 th	2011	25-27 Oct	Pretoria	Ditsong Cultural History Museum	Museums and Memory: Objects tell a story
76 th	2012	30 Oct - 1 Nov	Paarl, Western Cape	Toringkerksaal	Museums in a changing world
77 th	2013	21-24 Oct	Kimberley	Horseshoe Inn	Museums (memory + creativity) = social change
78 th	2014	3-5 Nov	East London	East London Golf Club	Collections Make Connections
79 th	2015	26-29 Oct	Durban	Riverside Hotel	Museums for a sustainable society
80 th	2016	1-4 Nov	Pretoria	Diepindieberg	SAMA 80 th Anniversary celebration
81 st	2017	24-26 Oct	Bellville, Cape Town	Sanlam	Museums & contested history
82 nd	2018	22-25 Oct	Grahamstown/ Makanda	NELM	Hyper-connected museums
83 rd	2019	21-24 Oct	Pietermaritzburg	Msunduzi Museum	Museums as Cultural Hubs
84	2020	28 Oct	Online	Online	Interacting at a Distance
85	2021	7-8 Sept	Online	Online	The Future of Museums: Recover ad Reimagine
86	2022	6-8 Sept	Hybrid & Cape Town	Hazendal Wine Estate	The Power of Museums
87	2023	2-5 Oct	KwaDukuza	Luthuli Museum	ReCollections ReConfiguring the South African Heritage Landscape
88	2024	3-6 Sept	Hybrid & Bloemfontein	Mangaung, Free State	Digital Revolution: South African museums and the fourth industrial revolution – foregrounding relevance and securing the future of museums.
89	2025	2-4Sept	Hybrid and Pretoria	Javett Art Centre, University of Pretoria	Sustainable Futures Through Cultural Resilience
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