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Service for arts educator

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A MEMORIAL service will be held at the Community Arts Project (Cap) tomorrow for top community theatre practitioner and performing arts educator Simba Pemhenayi, who died early last week.

Pemhenayi, who hailed from Zimbabwe, worked at Cap since 1994.

He died last Monday at Wynberg Hospital after a short illness.

Pemhenayi's main contributions in South Africa were as an advocate of community theatre, a performing arts trainer, a mentor to his students and an energetic participant in networks and policy processes.

Cap said Pemhenayi had made an immense contribution in shaping the direction of the organisation.

He guested as a lecturer or facilitator at the drama departments of the universities of Cape Town and Stellenbosch, the Athlone Technical College, New Africa Theatre Project, Centre for Adult and Continuing Education at the UWC, the Robben Island Museum, the Grahamstown Foundation's Schools Festival, the South African National Gallery and other organisations.

He was buried in Zimbabwe at the weekend and is survived by his wife, Marjorie, and a daughter, Mukundi.

The service at Cap, 106 Chapel Street, Woodstock, will be at 1pm.