Barbara Masekela for CAP seminar

BARBARA Masekela, head of ANC Department of Arts and Culture, will open an exciting theatre seminar at the Community Arts Project's centre in Chapel Street, Woodstock, on Saturday, September 29 from 9.30am to 5pm.

The seminar will be attended by community institutions and organisations involved in theatre and by newspaper critics. They will look at the functions, forms and challenges facing theatre in a

According to CAP director Mike van Graan, the seminar follows a lively and controversial panel discussion on community theatre at one of CAP's monthly debate series.

He explains that the aims of the seminar are to facilitate discussion among various people involved in theatre, to develop a broad vision for the development of theatre in all its forms in the Western Cape and to identify practical steps to pursue this vision.

The panelists include Johan Esterhuizen (former Capab head of Drama), Mpume Maluleka (Young People's Theatre Trust), Ronnie Govender (playwright and Baxter Theatre marketing manager) and

The small group discussions will focus on the functions of theatre in South Africa over the next three years, the needs which exist for theatre to realise these roles and functions, theatre criticism and theory regarding theatre.

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