### KARA HERITAGE INSTITUTE

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## MAPUNGUBWE HERITAGE FOUNDATION

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Have pleasure to invite you to Muhale Spiritual Services and Mapungubwe Intercultural Dialogue taking place at Africa Day Expo, an educational support project initiated as a platform for presenting tangible access to relevant information about the entire continent of Africa.

Muhale Spiritual Services and Mapungubwe Intercultural Dialogue provide a platform to cultural and faith-based organisations to network with one another and explore the potential of culture and religions in conflict resolution, religious and cultural intolerance as well as religious wars which are a threat to the creation of socially cohesive and prosperous African nations.

At Mapunguwe and Great Zimbabwe the people of the Sun (Vakaranga / Bakhalaka) celebrated Muhale Day on the 1 May every year. Muhale is the Queen of Heaven (Mwari we benga, also known as the Most High (Mudzimu/Modimo), who was worshipped throughout the length and breadth of the African continent.

African Expo forms part of the Annual African Unity for Renaissance International Conference which is celebrated annually on May 25<sup>th</sup> to mark the commemoration of the 1963 founding of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), represented since 2002 by the African Union (AU).

The urgent need for African Spiritual and Cultural Renaissance appears in the genocidal philosophy contained in the address of Lord Macaulay's address to the British parliament on 2nd February 1835:

"I have travelled across the length and breadth of Africa and I have not seen one person who is a beggar, who is a thief, such wealth I have seen this country, such high moral values, people of such calibre, that I do not think we would ever conquer this country, unless we break the very backbone of this nation, which is her Spiritual an Cultural heritage and therefore, I propose that we replace her old and ancient education system, her culture, for if the Africans think that all that is foreign and English is good and greater than their own, they will lose their self- esteem, their native culture and the will become what we want them, a truly dominated nation."

Africa Day celebrations must therefore include the spiritual and cultural revival of African people.

# **PROGRAMME**

**5h00 – 7h00**: Invocation of the gods (Muphaso)

at the Kara Chapel

**7h00 – 8h30**: Spiritual celebration in honor

of African prophets

**8h30 – 9h00**: Tea/Coffee break

**9h00 – 12h00:** Mapungubwe Cultural Dialogue

**12h00 – 13h00**: Muhale Day Celebration accompanied by African Musical

Instruments, Lekope, Mbira and Marimba.

**14h00 – 17h00**: Africa Day Expo including:

African Art Exhibitions

African Food Tasting, and

Live Cultural Performances

## **DETAILS OF THE EVENT**

**Date:** 25 May 2017

**Time:** 8h30 for 09h00 – 17h00

**Venue:** Kara Heritage Village

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