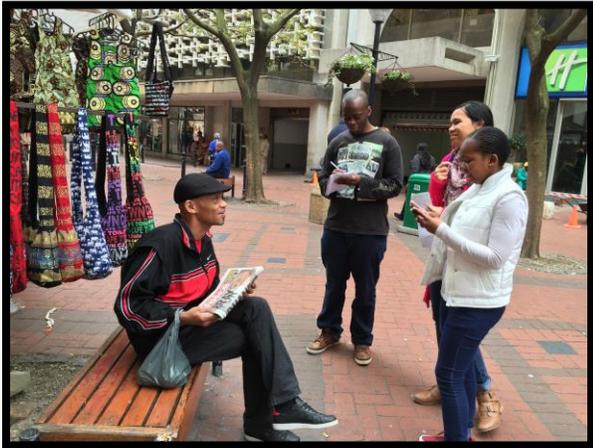


THE CONCAMP TIMES

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INTRODUCTION

Yesterday was an incredibly busy first day for the fifth annual Constitution Camp. At the start, registration seemed a bit quiet and segregated as we all separated into our own distinct friends groups, but that all changed with the first activity: speed dating. No, of course there was no actual dating involved, but everyone had an opportunity to meet at least four new faces and learn a little bit about where they are from and their goals for ConCamp 2015. After a brief introduction, we all worked to formulate an appropriate ConCamp constitution and, in case anyone forgot, we then travelled across Cape Town to well known sites and discussed with locals about their thoughts on the South African constitution, xenophobia, racism and how they relate to modern South Africa. After a quick debrief covering everything from contemporary racism to the danger of stereotyping, Lauren and Sam put the constitution back in context for

everyone. It's important to continue thinking throughout the rest of this week about these complex issues and how everyone can use the law to protect his/her rights under the South African constitution. We hope you all are getting excited about the moot problems because the court day is set for Friday 10 July. The legal jargon may seem confusing right now but by the end of this week you'll be certified lawyers! Maybe not officially, because you need a law degree for that, but still you'll know a lot! Remember to always reflect at the end of a session. This need not only apply here at ConCamp but in all aspects of life. It's important to process what you are thinking and how you are feeling. Don't forget these are complicated and emotionally charged issues. All in all - keep having fun! This is a great opportunity and we hope you have a blast!

SCHEDULE: DAY TWO



DAY TWO: WEDNESDAY, 8 JULY

9:00-9:30

Arrival/ Tea & Coffee

9:30-12:00

Site Visits:

- The District Six Museum
- Slave Lodge

12:00-12:30

Debriefing and Reflections

12:30-13:00

Lunch

13:00-14:00

5 min Icebreaker/Energizer
Reimagining the City Activity

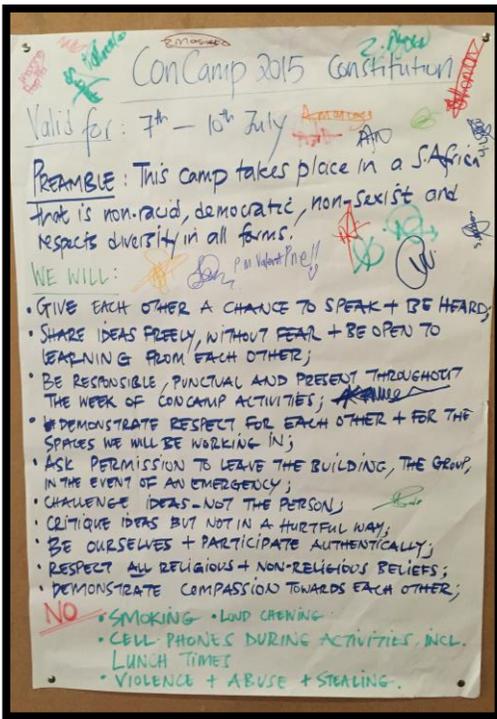
14:00-15:15

Small law groups:

- Revise legal jargon
- Basic legal writing
- In groups that are ready, begin work of researching the Moot Problem

15:15-15:30

Talking Wall – Feedback and Closure



FACILITATOR PROFILE

Nombuso Mathibela

Nombuso is a final year law student at the University of Cape Town. She is originally from Johannesburg, but currently is mixing it up and living in Cape Town. Her undergraduate degree was in English and Law, so you know she's quite qualified for ConCamp. She became interested in law because "everything in the world is related to law" and it helps to teach you how to think in a critical manner. She is joining all of you today because she believes that it is essential for all to learn about the constitution and the law. It is important to



know not only your rights but also how to use and protect your rights. Some of her hobbies include window shopping, hanging with friends, going to church, and of course reading! Reading is always a great hobby to have. An interesting fact/warning she'd like to inform you of is that the smoke from a braai has the potential to turn cells in your body into cancerous cells so you mustn't eat too much braai meat. She looks forward to getting to know you all in the upcoming weeks.

THE CONCAMP CONSTITUTION

- No cellphones, with the exception of a few minutes during break
- No bullying
- Everyone should try their best to be punctual and on time, if one is unable to be, one should let Motlatsi know.
- Respect each other and the space
- Challenge the idea, not the person
- Be yourself
- Share ideas
- Be confident and bold
- Ask for permission to leave the premises
- Be compassionate
- Do not overtalk
- Respect other people's diversity
- Listen to others
- Actively participate
- Learn from each other
- No smoking
- Respect opinions expressed
- Think before you act
- No stealing
- No loud chewing of bubble gum
- Have fun!!

GETTING TO KNOW THE LAW

The constitution, legislation, and the people are all interconnected. In South Africa, there is a checks and balance system that contains three branches in the separation of powers: the legislative branch, the executive branch, and the judicial branch. While the making and passing of legislation is intended to reflect the freedoms of the constitution, the legislation does not always line up with the constitution. Events from the past, such as apartheid have heavily

influenced the ability to provide equality to everyone. Thus, the judicial branch becomes a necessary component in ensuring that all receive equal rights because it checks and corrects injustices within the system. ConCamp provides an outlet for youth today to discuss issues such as racism, xenophobia, and affirmative action that may be unconstitutional and routes we can take as a community to address those issues.

INTERN PROFILE

Howdy y'all! My name is Adam Schutzman and I am a rising junior (3rd year) at Duke University. I'm from Looong Island in New York, but I don't play sawphtbawl. Currently I am studying public policy with a Spanish minor and film studies certificate. Fun fact: I love poetry. My favorite poet is Ralph Waldo Emerson. Fun fact pt. 2: I can say the alphabet backwards. I am looking forward to helping out with the educational programming at the District 6 Museum. It's been a great experience getting to know the history and the culture of South Africa, although I will say that I still find American football to be better than soccer. Maybe you guys can convert me to a rugby fan – we'll see. After university, 'cause that's what they call it here, I'm hoping to get a job at an education reform Think Tank, which means I want to help improve

the educational system in America and maybe one day South Africa – but probably not. In order to live a fulfilling life, I believe that y'all should watch the Shawshank Redemption and The Wire. Next you should read my favorite book The Very Hungry Caterpillar – it's a great read, truly enthralling. I look forward to getting to know you all.

Remember:
Drugs are bad.

