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# #CTStakeover: Mapping Community Heritage with Young People in rural South Africa

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On 23 and 24 August 2019 a group of young researchers from the Changing the Story project 'Mapping Community Heritage with Young People in rural South Africa' took over Changing the Story's Twitter account! Check out what they got up to below and find out more about the project [here](#).



**Changing The Story** @Changing\_Story\_ · Aug 20, 2019



It's time for another CTS Twitter takeover! Prudence, a young contributor to the Phase 2 South Africa project - 'Mapping Community Heritage with young people in rural South Africa' will be tweeting live and direct during the projects second workshop this FRIDAY (23 August 2019)!



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Young interviewers from the Utha community will present findings from the community heritage interviews they have designed and conducted with older adults. The team will reflect on the interviewers' accomplishments, explore their concerns, and co-produce next steps

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So we will start our [#CTStakeover](#) by giving some brief background information on who we are and the work we have done so far. We are the UKZA Community Research ([@UKZAComRes](#)) and have been working with Pala Forerunners in White River (Mpumalanga) since March 2019.



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The aim of the project is to cocreate an electronic archive that will contain stories and memories about forced displacements in the Kruger National Park. The older generation will be interviewed by younger people within the same communities.

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Please feel free to ask any further questions on the project and for our interviewers. We will be posting videos and images from White River as the workshop develops.



**Inés Soria-Donlan**

@InesSoriaDonlan

Hey @UKZAComRes ! I like the intergenerational aspect of your work. What have been the main challenges and opportunities that your young researchers have found in working with the older generations to capture their stories? #CTStakeover

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Here is an answer from Iris, the lead community researcher. [#CTStakeover twitter.com/InesSoriaDonla...](https://twitter.com/InesSoriaDonla...)





**Inés Soria-Donlan** @InesSoriaDonlan · Aug 23, 2019



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**Isobel**

@isobelkwc

Me too. And I have a related Q. How (if at all) has the intergenerational element shaped the ways in which stories are being captured and plans for how they will be archived?



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Here is an answer form Suggest, one of the young interviewers. [#CTStakeover twitter.com/isobelkwc/stat...](https://twitter.com/isobelkwc/status/1200000000000000000)





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The communities bordering the Kruger have experienced displacements/forced removals due to the initial creation of the Kruger and the apartheid policies. Thus, we had an interest on how their lives are still bearing the scars of that past history of violence. [#CTStakeover](#)  
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**Inés Soria-Donlan** @InesSoriaDonlan

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Also why did you decide to work in the Kruger National Park and what is it like to work there?



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There is inequality and inadequate service provision. Additionally the generational loss of knowledge became a key point to investigate and find was of preserving that knowledge - through the creation of an archive.  
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**Inés Soria-Donlan**  
@InesSoriaDonlan



This happening today over on [@Changing\\_Story\\_](#) 📌

If you're interested in speaking directly with South African researchers and practitioners who are working with youth and arts/heritage initiatives to support social change drop them a line! [@GCRF](#) [#GCRF](#) [@ahrcpress](#) [@UniLeedsGlobal](#) [twitter.com/Changing\\_Story...](#)

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A reminder that the project team behind 'Mapping Community Heritage with young people in rural South Africa' will be taking over our Twitter account TOMORROW live and direct from their second workshop in White River, South Africa [#CTStakeover](#)





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Some of the accomplishments:

- refined methods of coproduction and community led research.
- we've expanded our knowledge Uthmaniyah's past and present, and the history of the Kruger.
- the community researchers have also gained a lot of knowledge about their own heritage.

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- there has been an increase in research capacity for the youth in Uthmaniyah. [#CTStakeover](#)

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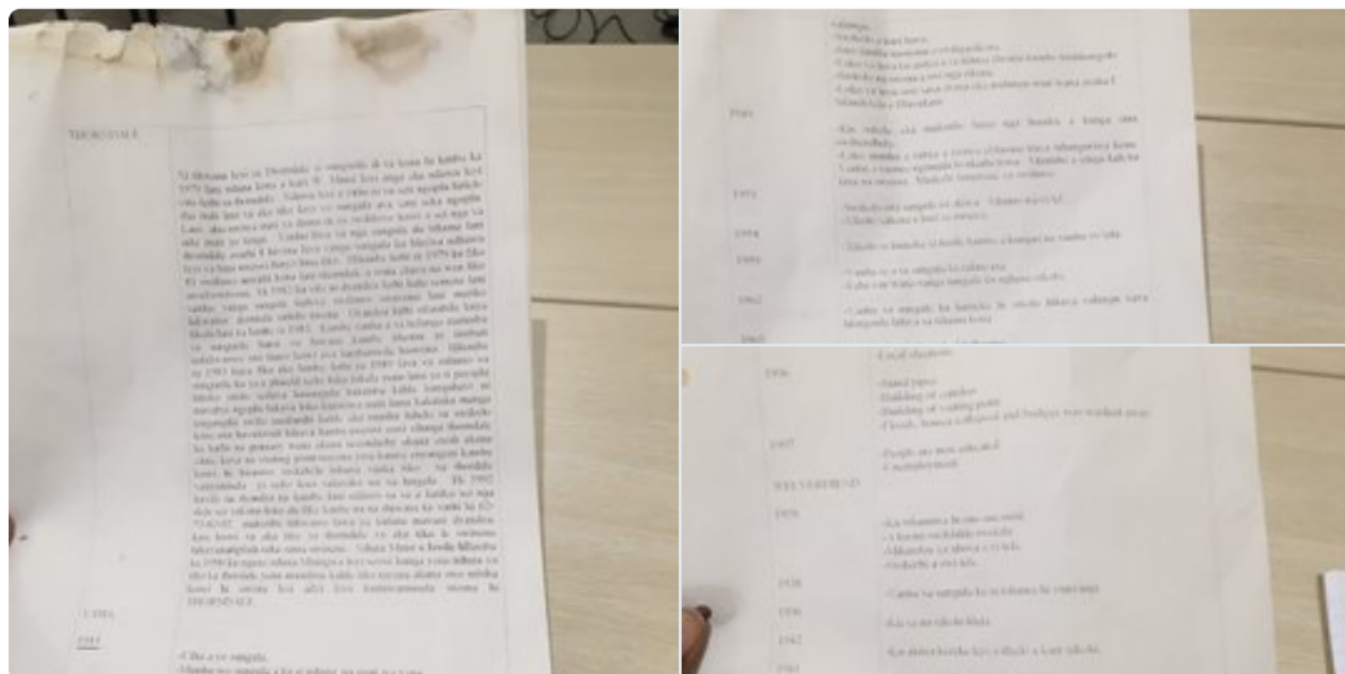
We've had a productive workshop in White River. The young researchers shared with us how they'd like to produce a book as a means to archive their heritage. Their engagements with the older generation has evoked a keen interest in their own culture. [#CTStakeover](#)



One of our young researchers reiterates one of the difficulties that comes with interviewing the older generation about issues to do with displacement/forced removals. [#CTStakeover](#)



The lead community researcher found a 20 year old written account of Utha's history. The account is in XiTsonga #CTStakeover



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Some of the opportunities that came up for the young researchers :

- knowledge of the past helps to settle arguments and also helps build relationships for responding to development problems.
- the importance of looking to their past and not just the new technology. (cont)



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- they have been finding information they weren't looking for and it has taken them to new places/developed new interests. [#CTStakeover](#)

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The lead community researcher shares some of their aspirations for the future. [#CTStakeover](#)





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We have a site visit tomorrow and so we're looking forward to showing parts of Utha. [#CTStakeover](#)

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We've just been to Utha where the initial library will be created for storing some of the research products and heritage artefacts. [#CTStakeover](#)



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We have some 'before' pictures of the room that will be used as the library and we will get some 'after' pictures in months to come. This room is inside of the community centre. [#CTStakeover](#)



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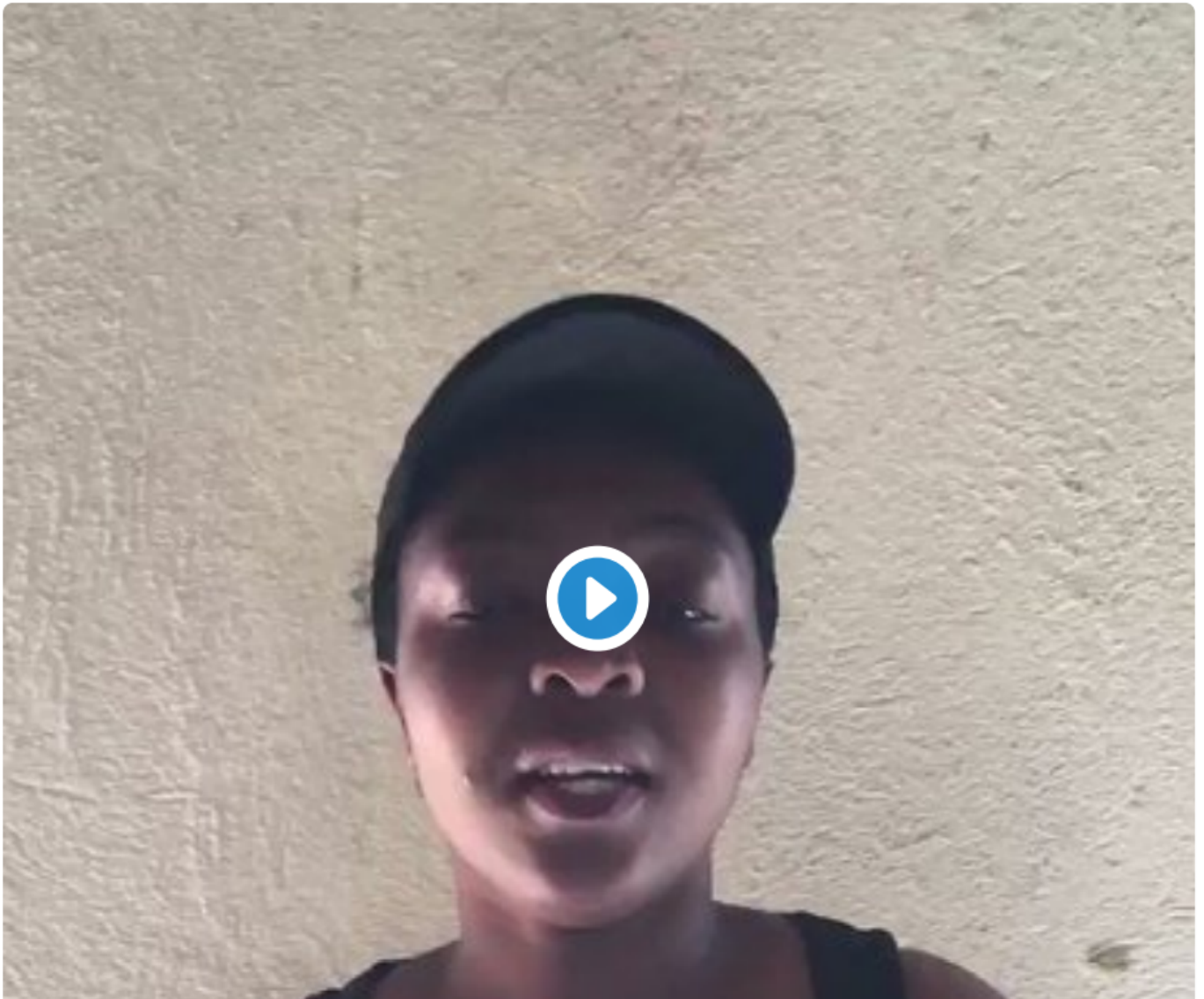
We asked some of the interviewers what being part of this project has been for them. We'll share some of their reflections below [#CTStakeover](#)



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Sindisiwe shares her reflections.. [#CTStakeover](#)



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Accurate shares her reflections .. #CTStakeover







**Susan Fitzmaurice**

@SuMFitz



Thanks for keeping everybody in the loop via [@UKZAComRes](#) too, friends. Wish the rest of us were there to participate. [twitter.com/Changing\\_Story...](https://twitter.com/Changing_Story_)

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**Aylwyn Walsh** @AylwynWalsh · Aug 24, 2019



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Hi Suggest and team: 😎 interesting perspectives on building trust and telling stories. Greetings from Ilizwi Lenyaniso Lomhlaba [@IlizwiL](#)



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Thank you. Greetings from [@UKZAComRes](#) in White River.

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We have had a productive and insightful two days in White River. Thank you all for your attention, questions and interest. We enjoyed our [#CTStakeover](#)

Please do not forget to follow us [@UKZAComRes](#)



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It sure was - thank you Prudence and team for a fantastic Twitter takeover! [twitter.com/\\_molalatladi/s...](https://twitter.com/_molalatladi/s...)

**Molalatladi** 🌻💛 @\_molalatladi

Done 🎀🎀🎀🎀🎀🎀. The [#CTStakeover](#) was great! [twitter.com/Changing\\_Story...](https://twitter.com/Changing_Story...)

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