

# **About**

➡ Historian | Liberation Storyteller | Advocate for Education

I'm Ms. Antoinette Toto Sithole, a witness to history and a dedicated storyteller. You might recognize me as the young schoolgirl captured in the iconic June 16 photograph, forever linked to the struggle for liberation and justice in South Africa.

## A Legacy of Courage:

Born to Vivian Pieterson and Dorothy Molefi, I am the sister of Hector Pieterson, an emblem of the 1976 Student Uprising. Alongside Mbuyisa Makhubu, I am forever etched in that photograph, depicting the heart-wrenching moment as he carried my dying brother Hector in his arms. The image crystallized the determination of youth against the imposition of

Afrikaans in township schools.

### Bridging the Past and Present:

As an advocate for education and a Co-Founder of Driving Education Culture, a China-South Africa initiative, I channel my passion into meaningful change. Together with a dedicated team, we've raised funds and resources for schools in the Free State and Gauteng, nurturing a brighter future through education.

#### Sharing Our History:

Preserving our history is an act of empowerment. I'm committed to sharing my personal account of the events of June 16, 1976, speaking at diverse institutions ranging from schools to businesses. By recounting these stories, I honor the sacrifices made and inspire a collective commitment to a more just world.

## © Connect with Purpose:

Let's connect to engage in dialogues that bridge the past with the present, and the challenges of the past with the aspirations of the future. If you're interested in having me speak at your event or institution, please reach out to my management team at consultants@pm-group.co.za.

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