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# GENERAL NOTICE

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## Language Policy

### CONTEXT

\*The **Artscape Language Policy** gives effect to:

- Sections 6 and 9 of the Constitution of the Republic of SA (Act No 108 of 1996)
- The National Language Policy Framework (2003)
- The Use of Official Languages Act (Act 12 of 2012)
- The Pan South African Languages Board Act (Act 59 of 1995)
- Section 5 of the Constitution of the Western Cape (Act 1 of 1998)
- The Western Cape Language Act (Act 13 of 1998)

\*Afrikaans, isiXhosa and English are the three official languages of the Western Cape.

### ARTSCAPE LANGUAGE POLICY

1. Being in the Western Cape, Artscape acknowledges the provincial language policy of three official languages.
2. Policies should be practical implementable, affordable and sustainable.
3. Generally, target audiences should be the determining factor regarding the language(s) used.
4. Implementation guidelines:
  - 4.1 The Artscape Theatre Centre's corporate signage reflects the official languages.
  - 4.2 Invitations from Artscape to guests should be in all three official languages.
  - 4.3 The Artscape website has international reach and should be in English.
  - 4.4 The media should receive communication in the language of their preference.
  - 4.5 Artscape should prepare the Artscape News in all three official languages.
  - 4.6 Artscape publications should speak to the target audience without being exclusive.
  - 4.7 Artscape should engage with outside producers and influence them to recognise the trilingual language policy.

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