



# Brenda Fassie, Muimbi wa Bvumo wa Afrika wa Muzika wa *Pop*

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Nga ḥa 3 ḥara 1964, ḥokishini ḥa Langa, ngei Cape Town, ho bebwā muimbi wa bvumo. O vha a tshi pfi Brenda Nokuzola Fassie.

O vha a tshi vhidzwa nga dzina ḥa miswaswo ya *MaBrrr* nga vhatevheli vhawē vha dzimilioni.

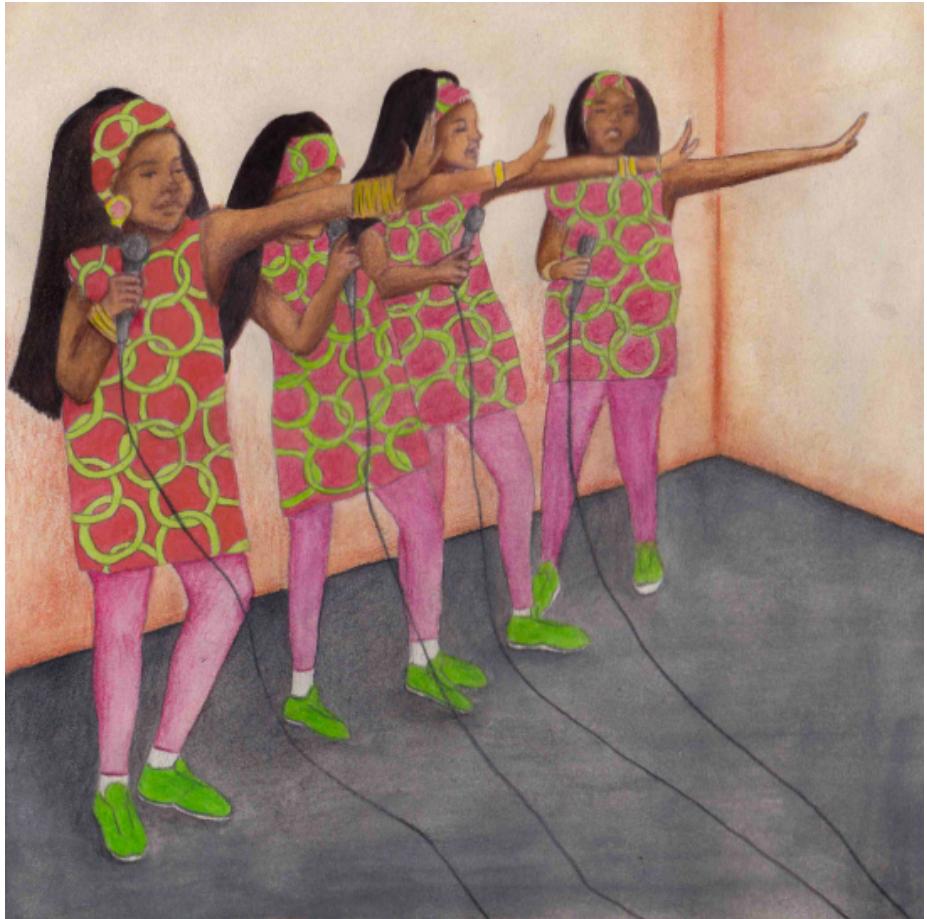
O vha a tshi bva muṭani wa vhashai. Mme awe vho vha vhe mukunakisi, ngeno khotsi awe vho lovha e na miñwaha mivhili fhedzi.



Brenda o vha e lucedzi lwa vhana vha ḥahe. Mme awe vho humbula uri vha do wana ḥwana wa mutukana.

Musi Brenda a tshi bebwa, vho vha vho tea u humbula nga u ḥavhanya dzina ḥa ḥwana wa musidzana.

Sa muimbi, mme a Brenda vho nanga u rina ḥwana wavho dzina ḥa Brenda Lee ane a vha muimbi wa Muamerika.



Musi e na miwaha miña, Brenda o vha a tshi imba maguvhanganoni a kereke. Mme awe vho vha vha tshi lidza piano nahone Brenda a imba.

Musi e na miwaha ya rathi, Brenda o vha a tshi vho imba na tshigwada tshi vhidzwaho *Tiny Tots*, a tshi imba na u badelwa nga vhaendelamashango.



Musi e miñwahani ya vhufumi, ho vha hu tshi bvuma  
ene fhedzi kha vhambi vha Cape Town.

Mubveledzi wa bvumo wa muzika, Koloi Lebona o ya a  
mu dalela. O vha o funesa ipfi ḥawe ḥavhudzi.

Nga murahu Brenda a pfulutshela Johannesburg,  
nahone nga u ḥavhanya a thoma tshigwada, *Brenda  
and the Big Dudes*.



Tshenetsho tshigwada tsho bvisa luimbo lwe lwa  
rengiwa vhukuma fhano Afrika Tshipembe, *Weekend  
Special*.

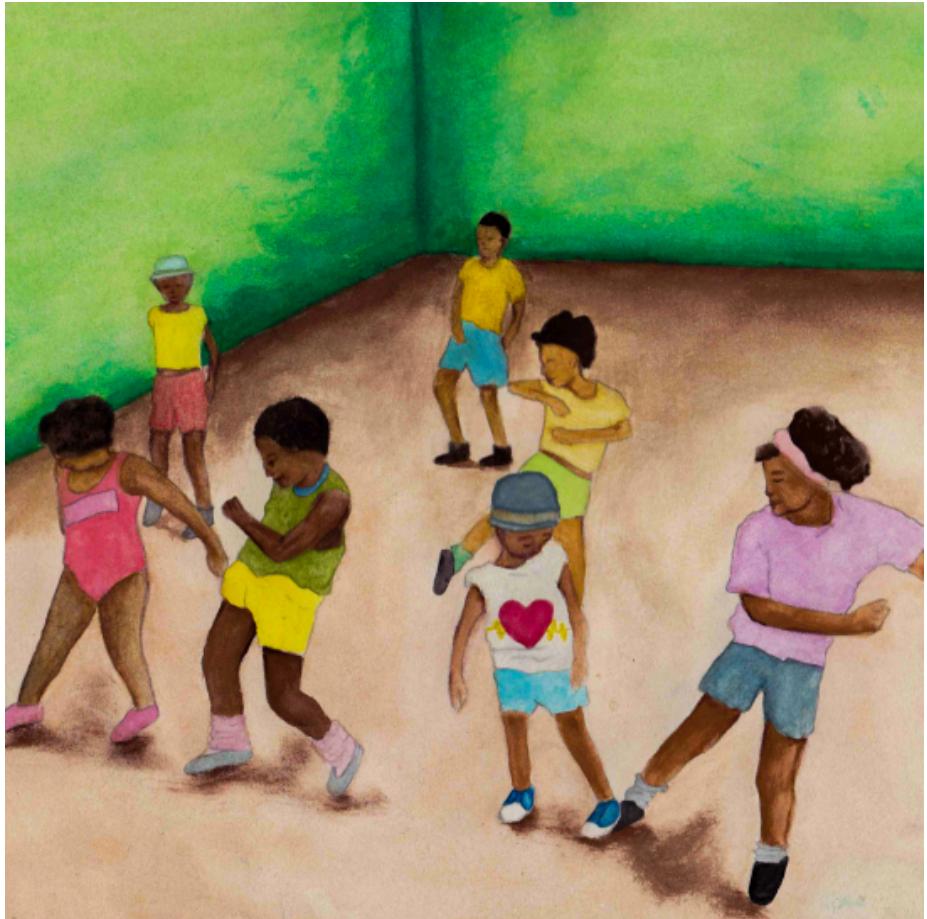
Vhatevheli vhawe shangoni lothe, vharema na vhatshena, vhaṭuku na vhahulwane, vho vhonwa vha tshi khou lu dzaivelala.

Lwonolwo luimbo lwo vha lu tshi takalelwa nga vhathu vhanzhi, zwihiłuhulu u bva nga Łavhułanu u swika nga Swondaha!



Nga 1998, Brenda o shumisana na Chicco Twala ane a vha mubveledzi wa muzika. Vho bveledza rekhodo dze dza rengisa khophi dza zwigidigidi. Dziñwe dza rekhodo dze dza rengiseswa ndi *Too late for Mama, Memeza, na Nomakanjani*.

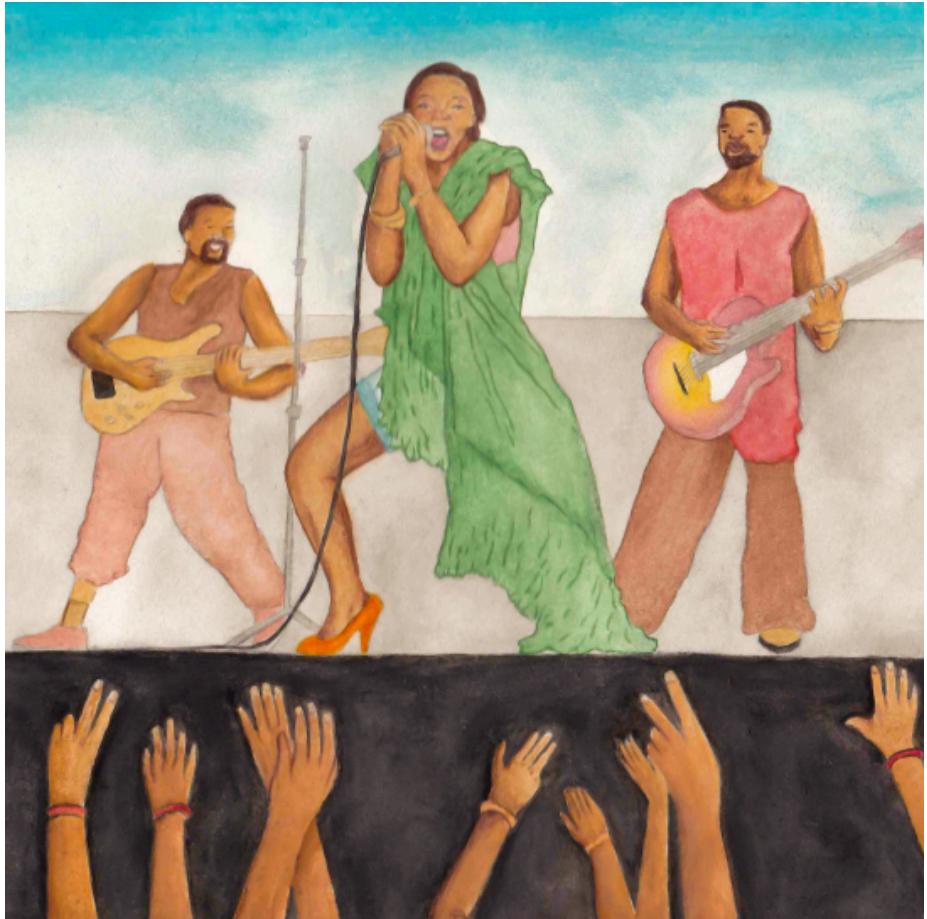
U bvelela hawe zwo ita uri a wane zwiphuga fhano Afrika Tshipembe na seli ha malwanzhe. Zwino Ma Brr o vha o no bvuma u mona na shango loþhe!



Fhano Afrika tshipembe, Brenda o vha o bvuma lwe ha vha hu si na munyanya une khawo ha si lidzwe naho hu luimbo luthihi fhedzi lwawe.

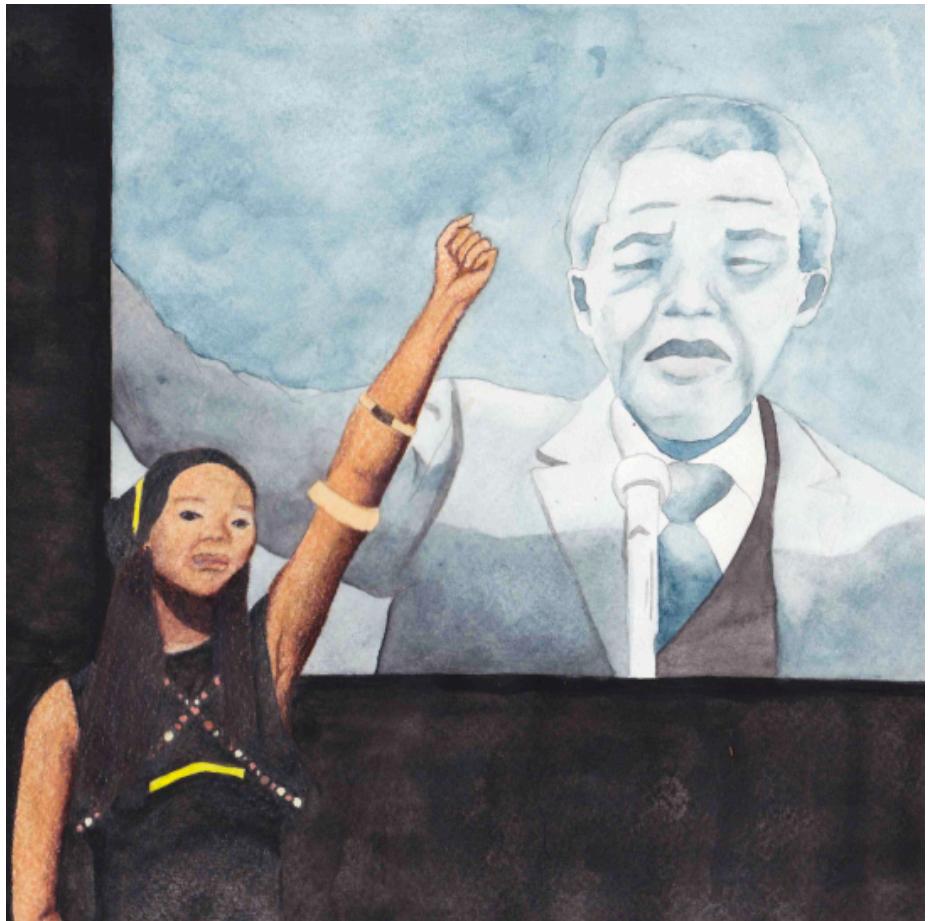
*Vulindlela* lwo vha lu tshi lidzwa minyanyani ya mbingano.

*Ag shame lovey,* lwo vha lu tshi funeswa nga vhana vhane vha edzisa kutshinele kwawe na maitele awe.



Vhatevheli vha Brenda vho vha vha tshi vhidzelela  
dzina lawe dzikhonsathini musi vho lindela uri a  
dzhene tshiteidzhini.

Musi a tshi imba, vhatevheli vho vha vha tshi imba nae  
na u lila nga tshifhinga tshithihi. U pfa ipfi lawe zwe  
vha ita uri vha sukumedze vhalindi vha tshi tama  
fhedzi u mu fara!



Nga 1990, MaBrrr o ḫonifha Vho-Nelson Mandela nga u vha imbela luimbo lwa bvumo *Black President*.

Vho vha vha tshee vho valelwa dzhele nahone nga murahu muvhuso wa tshiṭalula wa thivhela u lidzwa ha lwonolwo luimbo.

Zwenezwi zwe ita uri a imbe nga Tshizulu, Tshithosa na Tshisuthu. Zwenezwo zwa ita uri vhathu vha mu funese.



Naho Brenda o khunyeledza mułoro wawe wa u vha muimbi wa bvumo wa *pop*, o lovha a tshee mułuku, e na miñwaha ya 39, nga ḥa 9 Shundunthule, 2004.

Lo vha duvha li ḫungufhadzaho vhukuma fhano Afrika Tshipembe. Vhatu vho tshuswa nga mafhungo a u lovha hawe. Vhanzhi vho lilela u lovha ha hoyu muimbimakone.

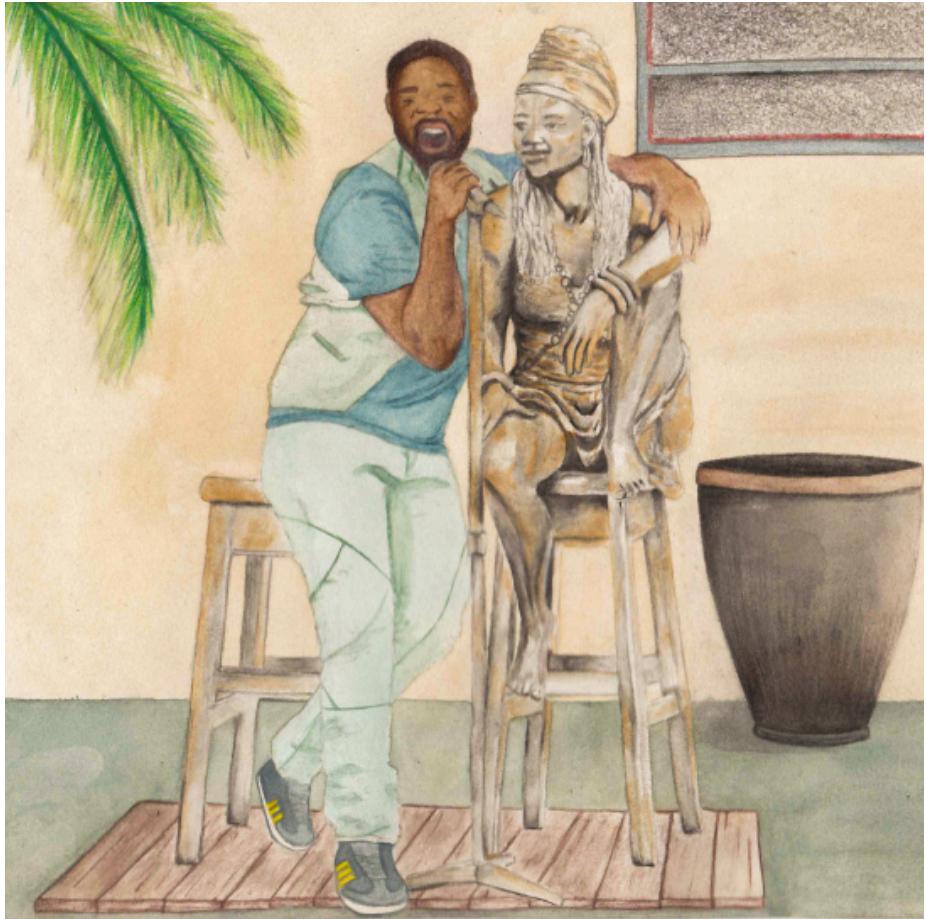
O sia murwa wawe, Bongani.



Nga murahu ha lufu lwawe, gogo ja vhatevheli vhawé  
lo gidimela mavhengeleni u renga muzika wawé.

Vhatevheli vho vha vha tshi tenda uri muzika wawé u  
nga si tsha wanala.

Zwi vhonala u nga khamphani yo rengisa zwigidi na  
zwigidi zwa qlibamu dzawé.



Ngei Newtown, Johannesburg, hu na tshifanyiso tsha koporo tsha Brenda tsho vhaqiwaho. Tsho vhadelwa u mu ḥonifha.

Tsini na tshifanyiso hu na tshidulo tshine vhatu vha nga dzula khatsho, uri vha ṭwe na Muimbi wa Bvumo wa Afurika wa Muzika wa *Pop*.



Brenda o vha e muimbi wa bvumo wa muzika ane a sa  
do hangwiwa.

Ndi muñwe wa vhaimbii vhahulwane vha Afurika  
Tshipembe vha muzika wa *pop* nahone o ḥutuwedza  
vhaimbii vhanzhi.

Zwino, mirafho miswa i khou tumbula nyimbo dze dza  
vha dzi tshi ita uri vhathe vha ḥode u tshina.

## —Mbudziso

1. Brenda o bebelwa ngafhi?
2. Ni humbula uri ndi ngani vho vhidza tshigwada *Tiny Tots*?
3. Muzika wa Brenda wo vha u tshi ita uri vhatevheli vhawe vha dipfe hani?  
Talutshedzani phindulo yanu.
4. Muvhuso wa tshitatalula wo vha u mini?  
Wanani zwo engedzeaho.
5. Olani nahone ni ḥwale tshipida tshine na tshi funesa tsha nganea.
6. Sikani tshirendo tsha mitaladzi miraru u itela u humbula Brenda.
7. Ndi vhaimbi vhafhio vha Vharema vhe na pfa ngavho?
8. Talusani ndila thanu naho dzi dzifhio dzine muzika wa nga shumiswa ngadzo.

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Heyi bugu ya nganea yo sikwa na u ñwalwa  
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