

Galeria X 730m Sommerberg

Opening exhibition Zimbabwean Sculptures in rock

Opening times Sat-Sun noon till 17:00 Entry free

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The origins of Shona art

In the early 1940s the Shona art movement became known in Zimbabwe through the National Art Gallery and Museum of Zimbabwe, then Rhodesia. It became more popular in the early 1970s and after independence through exhibitions held overseas. It has produced many great artists and some of the finest sculptors in the world.

The name 'Shona sculpture' originated from the artists who are from the Shona tribe, although Zimbabwe has various tribes. Shona art is only found in contemporary stone sculptures and it is unique in that it only uses stone. All other materials that are not stone, cannot be considered to be true Shona art. It is also unique in the sense that as a medium it has been used over generations and this inspires Zimbabwean sculptors.

Most of the sculptures exhibited here originate from the Ambassador Art Gallery in Zimbabwe and it has under its roof the second and present generation of sculptors. These sculptors have inherited their forefather's skills and talents and it is currently an important window for the many talented artists.



maganiso vessenzio 'Owl family'