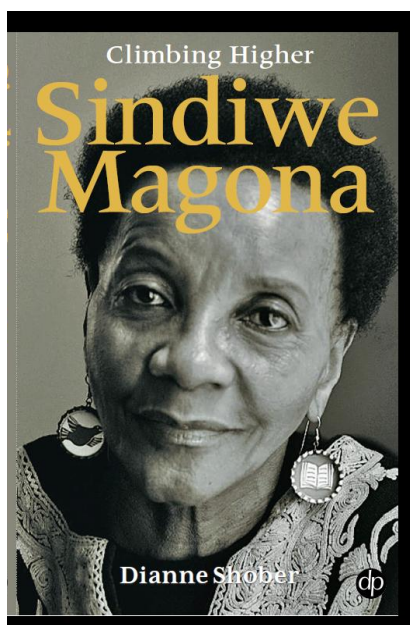


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Sindiwe Magona – Climbing Higher

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*Playwright, poet, novelist and activist –
Sindiwe Magona is an archetype of South African
feminism, self-empowerment and literary advocacy*

Born in Mthatha and raised in the sprawling Cape Town township of Gugulethu, Magona transformed herself from a spiritually-defeated domestic worker to a doyen of South African literature, matching her innumerable personal victories with a literary output of astonishing prolificacy and quality.

In addition to their ardent championing of African language and culture, Magona's works are windows to the domestic heartaches and longings of women, not only in contemporary South Africa, but also in the country's not-so-distant past.

Climbing Higher looks at Magona's literary work and its relation to the intimate triumphs and defeats of her life, as well as the pervasive social contexts – of patriarchy, poverty, HIV/AIDS and apartheid – in which, and against which, Magona's stories so strongly testify.

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