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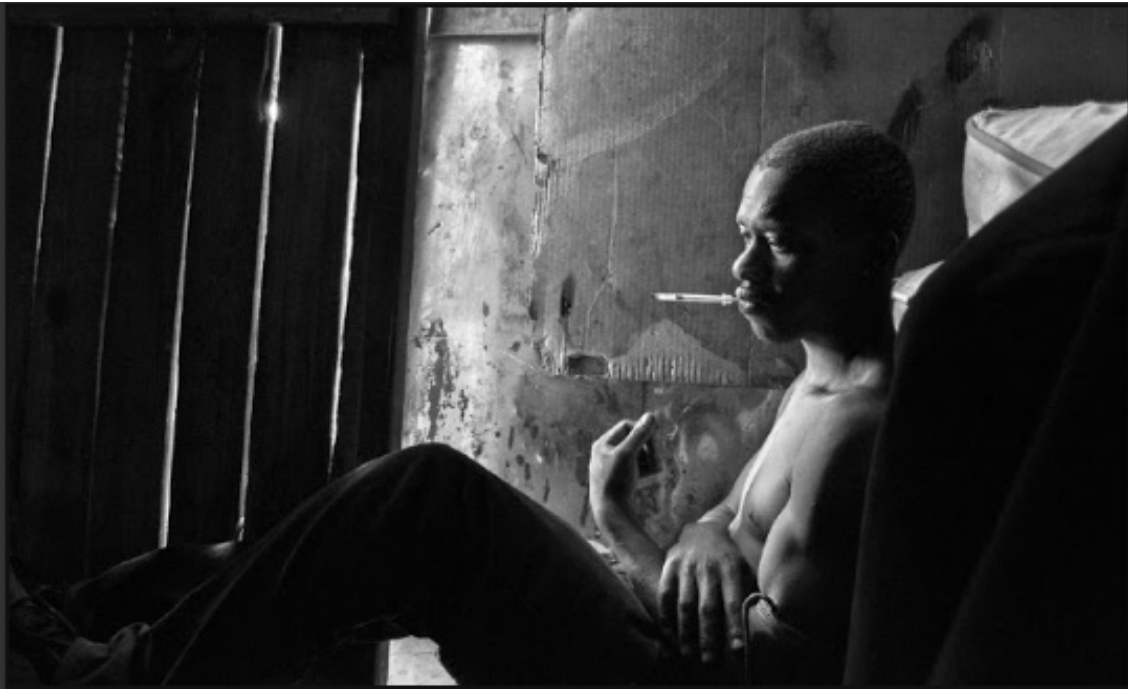
## Belgium: FREE FROM MY HAPPINESS

At The International Photo Festival Ghent 2015  
From 12 June to 30 August 2015

By South African photographers  
Sibusiso Bheka / Tshepiso Mazibuko / Lindokuhle Sobekwa



"Free from my Happiness" is a group show by South African photographers Sibusiso Bheka, Tshepiso Mazibuko and Lindokuhle Sobekwa who grew up in the township of Thokoza in South Africa. They got introduced to photography in 2012 through the Of Soul and Joy project initiated in the township by Rubis Mécénat Cultural Fund.



They use photography to portray their environment, telling stories they feel close to. Invited by the first International Photo Festival in Ghent, their works are shown for the first time in Europe in the exhibition "Free from my Happiness" curated by Belgium photographers Tjorven Bruyneel and Bieke Depoorter.

In the exhibition "Free from my Happiness", the 3 photographers document their surroundings. In *At night, they walk with me*, Sibusiso Bheka takes us through his childhood memories that often seem surreal. While Tshepiso Mazibuko with her series *Encounters* photographs the intimate space of people, Lindokuhle Sobekwa documents the life of young people using nyaope, a highly addictive drug popularized among young black South Africans. *Nyaope. Everything you give me my Boss, will do* relates to the slang drug users say when they beg.

Belgian photographers Tjorven Bruyneel and Bieke Depoorter have guided the 3 young photographers into their creative journey.



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