



Join Lesley University in celebrating  
South African Freedom Day at the Boston Premier of the  
Award-Winning Documentary Feature Film

# When Voices Meet

And Discussion with Filmmaker, Musician,  
and Music Therapist, Sharon Katz

Thursday, April 27, 2017 ~ 6-8:30pm  
Washburn Auditorium, Brattle Campus,  
Lesley University (10 Phillips Place, Cambridge)

**TO RSVP**, please visit <https://when-voices-meet-film-discussion.eventbrite.com>

***One Divided Country. One United Choir. One Courageous Journey.***

They said it couldn't – and shouldn't – be done. South Africa was in flames from political violence, and the apartheid government wasn't willing to transition to a nonracial democracy. But as thousands lined the streets around Durban City Hall in 1993 to attend the original "When Voices Meet" concert with its 500-voice multicultural choir and band, the way forward became clear. And when those courageous musicians were joined by Ladysmith Black Mambazo to take their message across the country aboard The Peace Train, there was no turning back. What happened then, and what's happening in the country now, are depicted in the compelling and joyful 2015 documentary film, *When Voices Meet*, starring Tony-award winning actor John Kani, Abigail Kubeka, Sharon Katz, Nonhlanhla Wanda and the cast of The Peace Train.

*When Voices Meet* is set at the time when Nelson Mandela was finally released from prison. South African musician and music therapist Sharon Katz joined with singer and educator Nonhlanhla Wanda to form a 500-voice multiracial choir to break through Apartheid's barriers. Threatened with bombs and thwarted at every turn, they prevailed and railroaded across the country aboard The Peace Train.

The film documents the trials, tribulations and triumphs of those musician activists and young choir members. They performed together for seven years and then reunited 20 years later to tell their stories and reflect upon The Peace Train's impact. It's a joyful, inspiring story of hope and determination despite tremendous obstacles, including lessons that apply to American issues today. For more information and to watch the trailer, please visit <http://whenvoicesmeet.com>



Sharon Katz will also kick off  
Lesley University's 8<sup>th</sup> annual Arts in Healthcare Conference,  
**"Responding to Collective Anxiety and  
Building Community Resilience"**  
Friday, April 28, 2017  
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