

Lights! Camera! Action! Eusebius McKaizer's UJ visit on Kwêla

The University of Johannesburg (UJ) hosted author, presenter and political analyst Eusebius McKaizer to discuss his book, *A Bantu In My Bathroom*, on 23 and 24 April 2013, which is part of the UJReads campaign that aims to encourage the UJ community to read to the same book and participate in a discussion.

Well-known for being outspoken on issues of a social and political nature, McKaizer has had a fruitful career in broadcast, hosting shows on SABC 3 and Talk Radio 702 as a talk show host. He has also worked as associate professor in the Faculty of Humanities' Centre for the Study of Democracy.

An outspoken McKaizer, who thinks respect is a weird word, inspired UJ staff and students with his contentious and sensational way of thinking at the book discussions hosted in the four campus libraries. More than 200 people, mostly students, packed the Auckland Park Kingsway Campus library's ground floor on Wednesday, 24 April 2013 to engage in a pivotal conversation on the book.



Eusebius McKaizer engaged with UJ staff and students on his book *A Bantu In My Bathroom* during the UJReads campaign in the four University libraries.

The UJ community expressed their thoughts about the essays in the book, which pose a thought-provoking window to the lives of ordinary South Africans. Those that read the book commended McKaizer's creative and honest insights into people's different cultural and social backgrounds.

"We as South Africans should tell our own local stories, because writing is not only limited to academics. People should write about those issues that affect them in their daily lives and tell the ordinary South African stories", he said.