

# CURRICULUM VITAE: TANYA ZACK, PhD TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNER

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Tanya Zack is a qualified town planner who holds a PhD from University of Witwatersrand for her work on Critical Pragmatism in Planning, as well as a BSc in Town and Regional Planning. Her core skills and work experience include policy development, research, writing, project management and facilitation of community participation. Her clients have included the City of Johannesburg, the Department of Housing (now Human Settlements) and Urban LandMark. She has operated as an independent consultant since 1991.

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2007: Phd Town and Regional Planning, University of Witwatersrand  
1986: Bsc. Town and Regional Planning, University of the Witwatersrand  
1989: Management Advancement Programme, University of the Witwatersrand Graduate School of Business

## MOST RECENT EMPLOYMENT

**Tanya Zack Development Planners** (March 1991 - present)

## KEY POLICY AND RESEARCH

- \* Project manager and co-author of Alternative formalities, transnationalism and xenophobia research report prepared by University of Witwatersrand for City of Johannesburg

- \* Co-author of City of Johannesburg Inner City Roadmap (2011-2014)
- \* Consultant to South African Cities Network (SACN) on strategy development for SA input to India-Brazil-South Africa Working Group on Human Settlements (IBSA (WGHS)) (2012-2013)
- \* Co-author of community version of City of Johannesburg Growth and Development strategy 2040 (2011)
- \* Co-author of toolkit for Community Residential Units, Social Housing Foundation (June 2009-Jan 2010)
- \* Acting Executive Manager: Planning and Strategy, Johannesburg Development Agency (Nov. 2008-March 2009; Sept-Oct 2009)
- \* Lead consultant on development of a strategy to address bad buildings in the inner city of Johannesburg
- \* Co-author of Citizens Guide to Planning in Johannesburg (2008/09)
- \* Project management of urban component of Second Economy Project, an initiative of the presidency (2007/08)
- \* Co-author of mayoral midterm review for the period March 2006-August 2008 for City Of Johannesburg (2008)
- \* Research into development lessons learnt on Kliptown Urban Renewal Project, 2007 for production of a book on Kliptown for the Johannesburg Development Agency
- \* Co-author of Professional Development Strategy for professionals in the built environment, for Urban Land Mark, 2007
- \* Co-author of research report into Land Use Management in Hillbrow/Berea for CUBES and Planact, 2007
- \* Co-author and project co-ordinator of research into Sustainable Human Settlements and Sustainable Housing Typologies for City of Johannesburg, 2006
- \* Co-author of a research project extracting lessons from the Presidential Urban Renewal Projects in Alexandra, Galeshewe, Khayalitsha, Mitchell's Plain, Mdantsane, Motherwell and Inanda-Kwa Mashu Ntuzuma, 2006

## **AREA-WIDE PLANNING**

- Co-coordinator of Special Needs Task Team of Alexandra Renewal Project. Particular projects: Safe House for Abused Women; first cluster homes for foster care project in Gauteng
- Preparation of a Development Strategy for the Eastern Sector of Johannesburg for the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council, an inner city mixed use area housing some 13 600 people and experiencing social, economic and physical decline. ( 1994-1995)
- Consulting on housing and health functional teams of Alexandra Renewal Project, a Presidential Lead Project valued at R1,3 billion aimed at the upgrading of Alexandra township.
- Development of development plan for Lenasia for Johannesburg City Council (1999)

## COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

- Preparation of feasibility studies for the development of informal housing schemes. (1991-1993)
- Consultant to community of Zevenfontein resisting eviction from informal settlement (client : Urban Foundation 1991-1993).
- Evaluation of social aspects of major site and service and *in-situ* upgrading projects for the Independent Development Trust. (1991-1994)

## PUBLICATIONS

- Zack, T (2014) 'Jeppe' - where low-end globalisation, ethnic entrepreneurialism and the arrival city meet", Urban Forum, DOI 10.1007/s12132-014-9245-1, Netherlands: Springer
- Harrison, P and Zack, T (2014) The wrong side of the mining belt? Spatial transformations and identities in Johannesburg's southern suburbs, in Changing Space, Changing City: Johannesburg after apartheid, Harrison, Gotz, Todes, and Wray (eds), Wits University Press
- Judin, H, Roux, N and Zack, T (2014) Kliptown: Resilience and despair in the face of a hundred years of planning, in Changing Space, Changing City: Johannesburg after apartheid Harrison, Gotz, Todes, and Wray (eds), Wits University Press
- Co-author of: Realising the future we choose: A message of progress, Mid term report, September 2008, published by City of Johannesburg
- Harrison, P and Zack, T (2012) The power of mining: the fall of gold and rise of Johannesburg Journal of Contemporary African Studies, Volume 30, Issue 4, 2012, Special Issue: Mining & Urbanisation in Africa: Population, Settlement and Welfare
- Harrison, P and Zack, T (2014): Between the ordinary and the extraordinary: socio-spatial transformations in the 'Old South' of Johannesburg, South African Geographical Journal, DOI: 10.1080/03736245.2014.924863
- Irurah, D.K., Bannister, S., Silverman, M. and Zack, T., (2002), Towards sustainable settlements: Case studies from South Africa, STE Publishers, Johannesburg.
- Preparation of case studies on the caring city, with Eduardo Cachucho, for Metropolis working meeting, 2013 (see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eecrFAreZeE>) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eecrFAreZeE>)

- Rust, K; Zack, T; Napier, M (2009): How a focus on asset performance might help 'Breaking New Ground' contribute towards poverty reduction and overcome the two-economies divide, in *Town and Regional Planning*, Vol 54 (May 2009), published by University of Free State
- Silverman, M and Zack, T (2008) *Housing Delivery, the Urban crisis and Xenophobia*, in *Go Home or Die Here*, edited by Hassim, Kupe and Worby, Wits University Press
- Zack, T (2013): Seeking logic in the chaos precinct: the spatial and property dynamics of trading space in Jeppe, in Pieterse (E) and Simone (A) 2013: *Rogue Urbanism: Emergent African Cities*, Jacana Media, South Africa
- Zack, T with Baskin, J (2007) Learning by Doing in *Planning Theory and Practice* (Interface) Vol 8 Issue 3 September 2007 , Routledge

## **NARRATIVE NON-FICTION WRITING**

- Zack, T(text) and Lewis, M(photographs) (2014): S'kop- book one in the series of ten books *Wake Up This is Joburg*, Fourthwall Books, Johannesburg
- Zack, T(text) and Lewis, M(photographs) (2014): Tony dreams in yellow and blue- book two in the series of ten books *Wake Up This is Joburg*, Fourthwall Books, Johannesburg
- Zack, T(text) and Lewis, M(photographs) (2014): Inside out- book three in the series of ten books *Wake Up This is Joburg*, Fourthwall Books, Johannesburg
- Zack, T(text) and Lewis, M(photographs) (2014): Zola- book four in the series of ten books *Wake Up This is Joburg*, Fourthwall Books, Johannesburg
- Zack, T(text) and Lewis, M(photographs) (2015): Good Riddance- book five in the series of ten books *Wake Up This is Joburg*, Fourthwall Books, Johannesburg
- Review: <http://mg.co.za/article/2014-11-03-mapping-lives-that-make-joburg-home>
- Tanya Zack (words) and Mark Lewis (photographs) (2014): *Tony Dreams in Yellow and Blue*, in *Environmental Management Magazine*, Nov-Dec 2014, New Media, Johannesburg
- Tanya Zack (words) and Mark Lewis (photographs) (2014): *Life Under Mooi Street*, in *ACUMEN*, Gordon Institute of Business, University of Pretoria

## CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- Zack, T. 'Jeppe' – where low end globalisation, ethnic entrepreneurialism and the arrival city (and law and order!) meet, Urban Informality and Migrant Entrepreneurship conference, African Cities Centre, University of Cape Town, 2014
- Zack, T. No Guarantees: Risk taking in Johannesburg;'s 'Ethiopian Quarter', Metropolis, Johannesburg 2013
- Zack, T. Trading Space in the Ethiopian Quarter of Johannesburg, Africa Centre Ben Gurion University of the Negev, May 2012
- Zack, T. Seeking logic in the Chaos Precinct – the spatial and property dynamics of trading space in 'Jeppe' at African Cities Centre, Cape Town, 2011
- Silverman, M and Zack, T: Rethinking emerging land markets in rapidly growing southern African cities Urban LandMark Conference, Johannesburg, 1 & 2 November 2010, Johannesburg, South Africa
- Zack, T; Nice price: trading space in 'Jeppe', Presentation to AZA2010 Conference
- Zack, T The Application of Critical Pragmatism to Planning Practice: How context shaped Planning Process and Outcome in the Kathorus Special Integrated Presidential Project in South Africa (1994-1999), Planning Africa, Johannesburg, 2010
- Zack, T The Application of Critical Pragmatism to an Analysis of Planning Practice: The case of the Kathorus Special Presidential Project in South Africa, Planning History Conference in Delhi, India, December 2006
- Zack, T: Nobody's Child, a Kind of Heaven trapped in History: Planning Challenges in Alexandra, Presented to the Royal Australian Planning Institute Conference 'A Planning Odyssey' October 2001