

## "Master Malangatana"

## The End of Socialism and the Making of a National Artist in Mozambique

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The presentation will analyze the Mozambican artist Malangatana Valente Ngwenya, one of the most important modern African artists, whose fame emerged in the 1960s and reached its peak as a cult of personality at the end of the socialist moment. The manipulation of his representation during the nation's transition to a neoliberal democracy reveals the shifting alliances of the state. If Malangatana was forced into obscurity during the first decade of the socialist regime, by the mid-80s the state actively sought to recast the artist as a historic figure and a national hero.



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