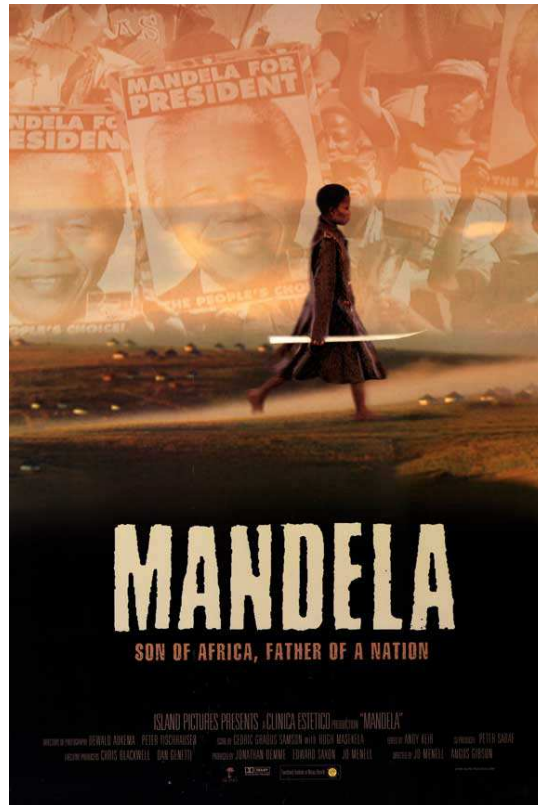


To celebrate **Mandela Day**

the United Nations in partnership with the South African Embassy welcomes you to the screening of

## “MANDELA”



*We can change the world  
and make it a better place. It  
is in your hands to make a  
difference.*

*- Nelson Mandela*

### Chronology of Nelson Mandela's Life

**18 July 1918**

Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela born in Mvezo, South Africa

**1944**

Joins the African National Congress (ANC)

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Founds the African National Congress Youth League (ANCYL) with others

**1948**

Elected as National Secretary of the ANCYL

**1952**

Launch of the “Defiance” Campaign, a massive civil disobedience campaign against unjust laws. Mandela is elected National Volunteer-in-Chief for the campaign

**1956 to 1961**

Mandela one of 156 accused in the Treason Trial

**21 March 1960**

Sharpeville massacre, during which 69 men, women and children are killed and about 200 wounded. The government soon declares a state of emergency and arrests about 18,000 protesters. The ANC is banned and Mandela goes underground

**1961**

Formation of the ANC's armed movement, *Umkhonto we Sizwe* (“Spear of the Nation”), with Mandela as commander-in-chief

**1962**

Mandela travels to other parts of Africa and Europe

**5 August 1962**

Mandela arrested for illegal exit from the country and incitement to strike. He is convicted and sentenced to five years imprisonment

**July 1963**

Arrest of prominent ANC leaders at Rivonia. Mandela is accused with them

**12 June 1964**

Sentenced to life imprisonment and sent to Robben Island (later moved to Pollsmoor Prison and then Victor Verster Prison)

**1985**

Amidst prolonged mass protests against the apartheid system, the ANC initiates talks with the regime

**February 1990**

Released from prison

**1993**

Awarded the Nobel Peace Prize (along with F.W. de Klerk)

**27 April 1994**

First multi-racial elections held in South Africa with full enfranchisement, with the ANC winning a strong majority

**10 May 1994**

Inaugurated as South Africa's first black president, standing down in 1999 after one term

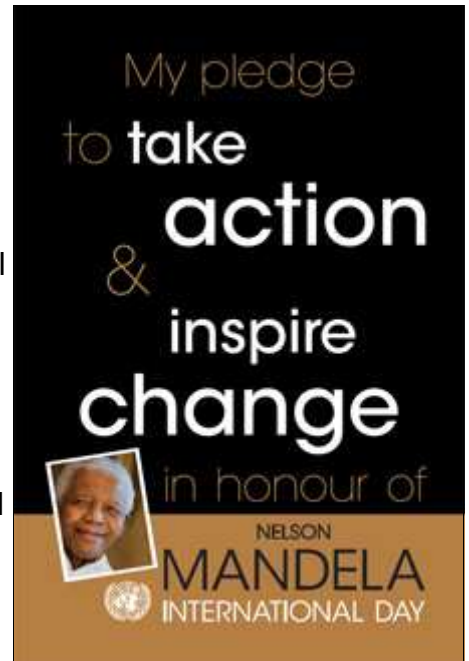
# Take Action! Inspire Change

Can you spare **67 minutes** of your time helping others? On this year's Mandela Day, people the world over are being asked by the Nelson Mandela Foundation to do just that. By devoting 67 minutes of your time – one minute for every year of Mr. Mandela's public service – you can make a small gesture of solidarity with humanity and a step towards a global movement for good.

Join in and donate 67 minutes of your time in serving your local community on Nelson Mandela Day, 18 July 2011.

Here are just a few examples of how you can **take action and inspire change**:

- Make a new friend. Get to know someone from a different cultural background. Only through mutual understanding can we rid our communities of intolerance and xenophobia.
- Read to someone who can't. Visit a local home for the blind and open up a new world for someone else.
- Help out at the local animal shelter. Dogs without homes still need a walk and a bit of love.
- Help someone get a job. Put together and print a CV for them, or help them with their interview skills.
- Many terminally ill people have no one to speak to. Take a little time to have a chat and bring some sunshine into their lives.
- Get tested for HIV and encourage your partner to do so too.
- Take someone you know, who can't afford it, to get their eyes tested or their teeth checked.
- Donate a wheelchair or guide dog, to someone in need.
- Buy a few blankets, or grab the ones you no longer need from home and give them to someone in need.



To see all 67 suggestions for action, visit the [Nelson Mandela Foundation](http://www.nelsonmandela.org/mandeladay/67_ways.html) site.

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