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**Media conference with Ben Okri re: 13th annual
Steve Biko Memorial Lecture at UCT
12 September 2012, 18h00, Jameson Hall, Upper Campus**

The Steve Biko Memorial lecture will be delivered at the University of Cape Town on Wednesday, 12 September 2012, by Ben Okri, Nigerian poet, novelist and one of the foremost African writers in the post-modern and post-colonial traditions. Professor Okri has published 10 novels, including *The Famished Road*, as well as collections of poetry, short stories and essays.

The lecture, which marks the 35th anniversary of Biko's death, will be hosted by UCT and the Steve Biko Foundation at 18h00 in Jameson Hall, Upper Campus.

Media wishing to attend the lecture are required to reserve seating because of limited space. Please contact the media liaison office at 021 650 5427/8 or email loga.makwela@uct.ac.za to reserve your seat.

Interviews with Ben Okri:

The Biko foundation has organised a general press conference for Professor Okri in the Grand Palm Room South, Pepper Club Hotel, Corner Loop and Pepper Streets, Cape Town, at 13h00 on Tuesday 11 September 2012. Please contact the foundation on sbfdiary@gmail.com to confirm your attendance.

There will also be an opportunity to interview Professor Okri at the Ben Beinart Room, UCT Upper Campus at 19h00 on 12 September 2012. Please contact loga.makwela@uct.ac.za to confirm your attendance.

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