## The Rock Art of Zimbabwe by Mike White on 26 January 2025 The fascinating Story of Stone Age Hunter Gatherers and their Paintings.

## From the speaker Mike White -

Growing up in rural Zimbabwe we would often find ancient paintings on granite rocks and in caves. In this lecture, as a painter and a Zimbabwean, I will try to tell the fascinating and tragic story of these stone age hunter gatherers and their paintings, perhaps the least known artistic treasures of Africa. The paintings display an accuracy of observation, delicacy of execution, richness of symbolism and tell a remarkable, tragic and beautiful story.

I have based my research on the work of Peter Garlake, a friend and prominent archaeologist, whom I have worked with as an illustrator in a number of his publications.

## Mike White

Mike is an exhibiting Zimbabwean artist, craftsman and teacher. He grew up in southern Zimbabwe and studied fine art in Natal. Mike currently splits his time between England and Zimbabwe, and regularly exhibits in Harare.