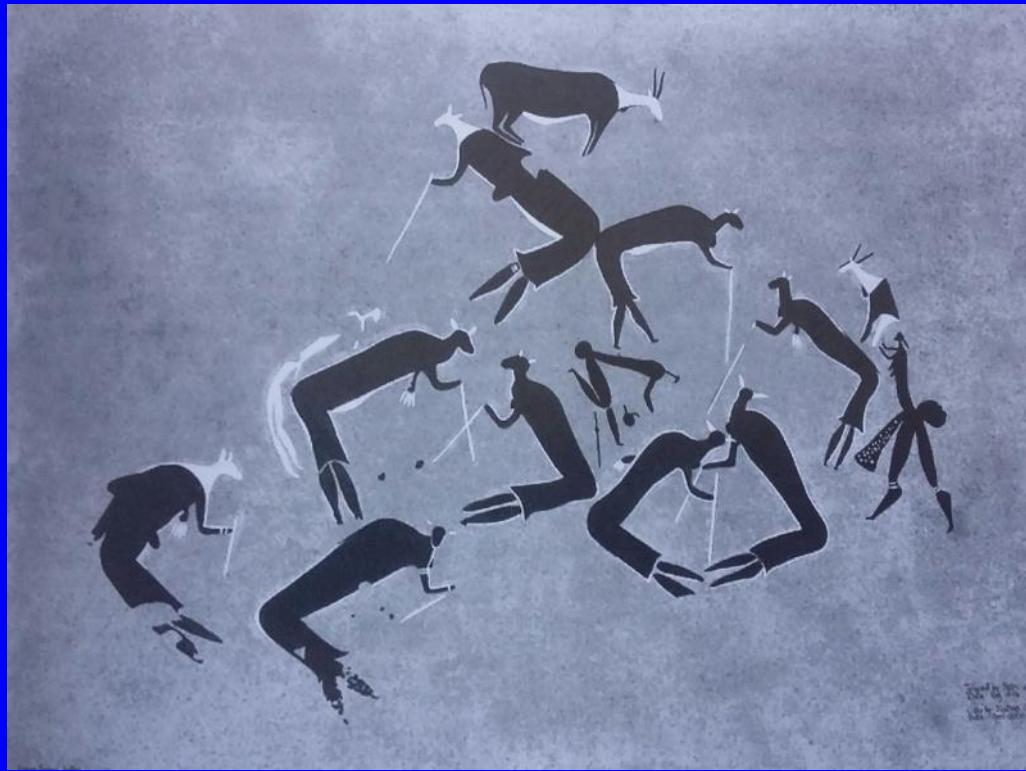


Rock Art in Southern Africa

the origins of humankind are here
the origins of art, music, dance, and religion



retirement

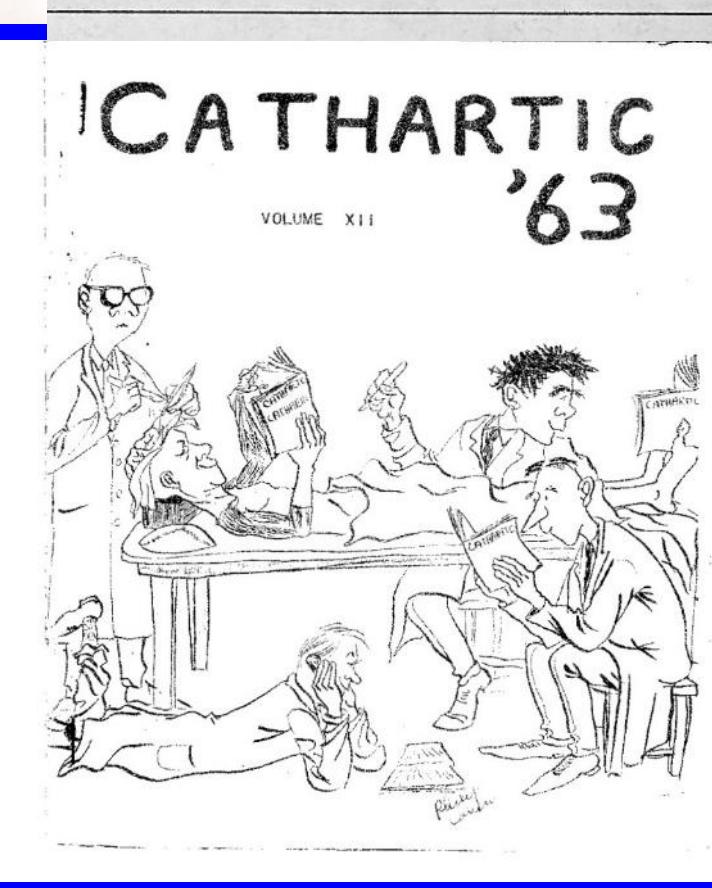
Mid-2009 , retired from surgical practice in PMB, moved to CTN

Worked in Eerste River Hosp 4 years

Then Retreaded, not Retired

Went back to old passions, Art & Archaeology





WCDAG

Western Cape Doctors Art Group

Aims to encourage art among doctors and to highlight artistic achievements to the public

Annual art show

**2016: 35 exhibitors, 37 works sold, R75425 sales,
R24085 to charity**

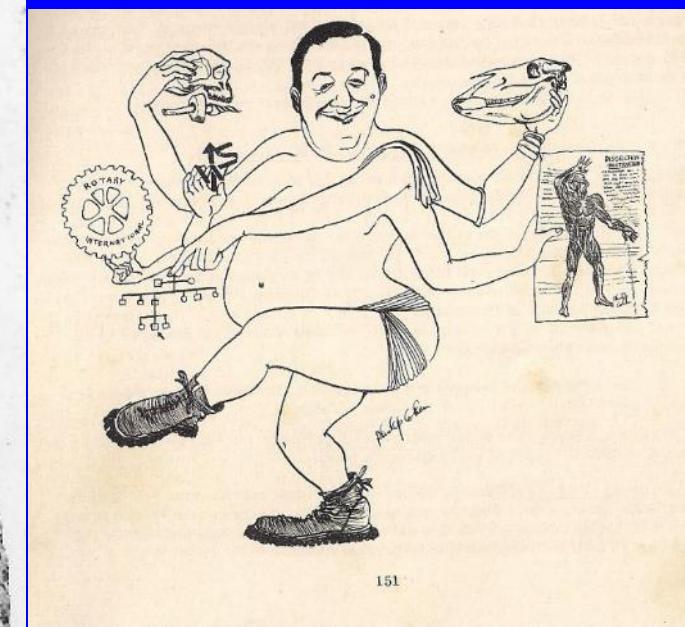


Art





archaeology



eCrag

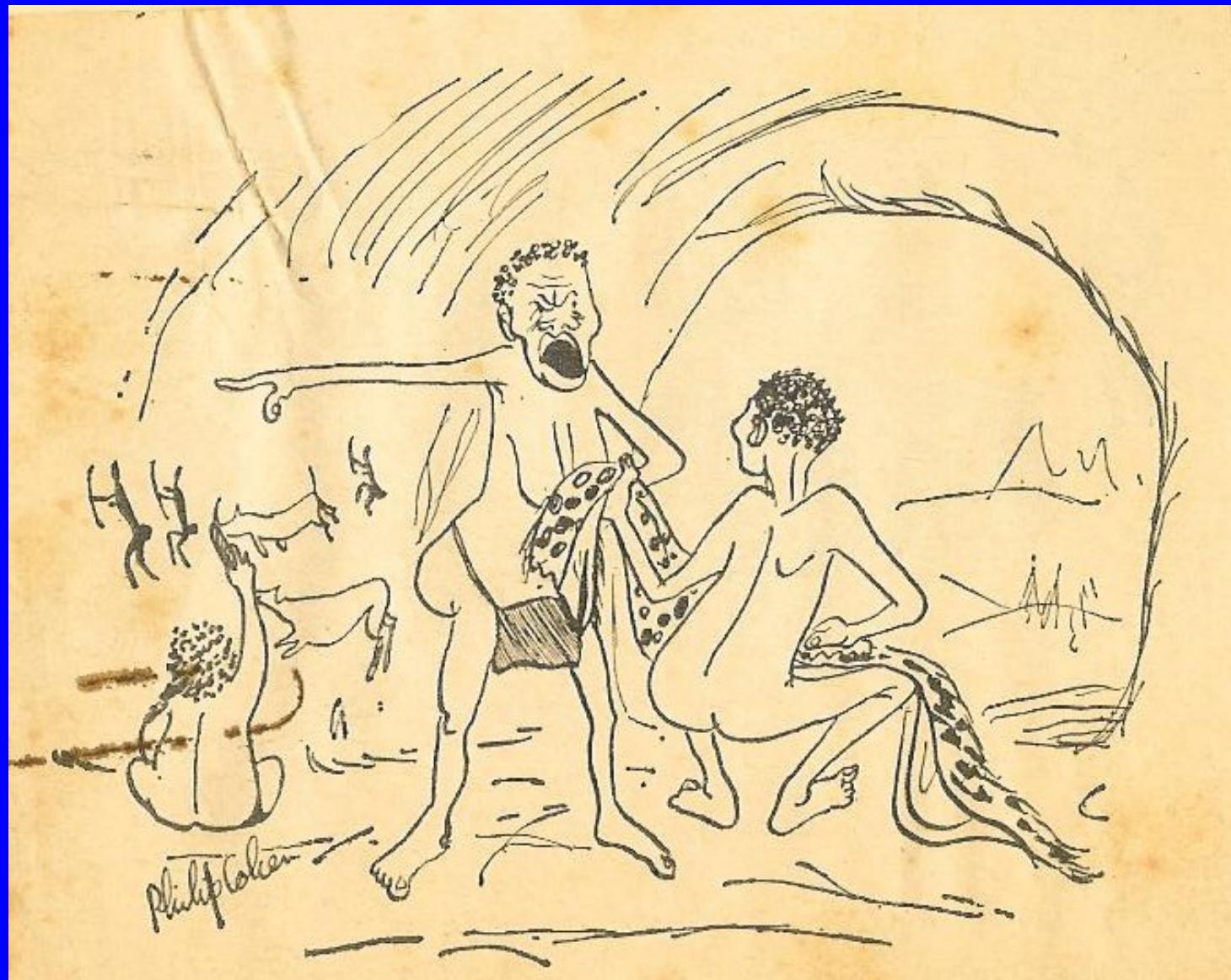
Eastern Cederberg Rock Art Group

Explores , finds and surveys new Rock art sites in the Cederberg

2009-2015

841 new rock art sites in Cederberg found and surveyed

“If I’ve told you once, I’ve told you a thousand times: *don’t draw on the walls*”













1 stridul



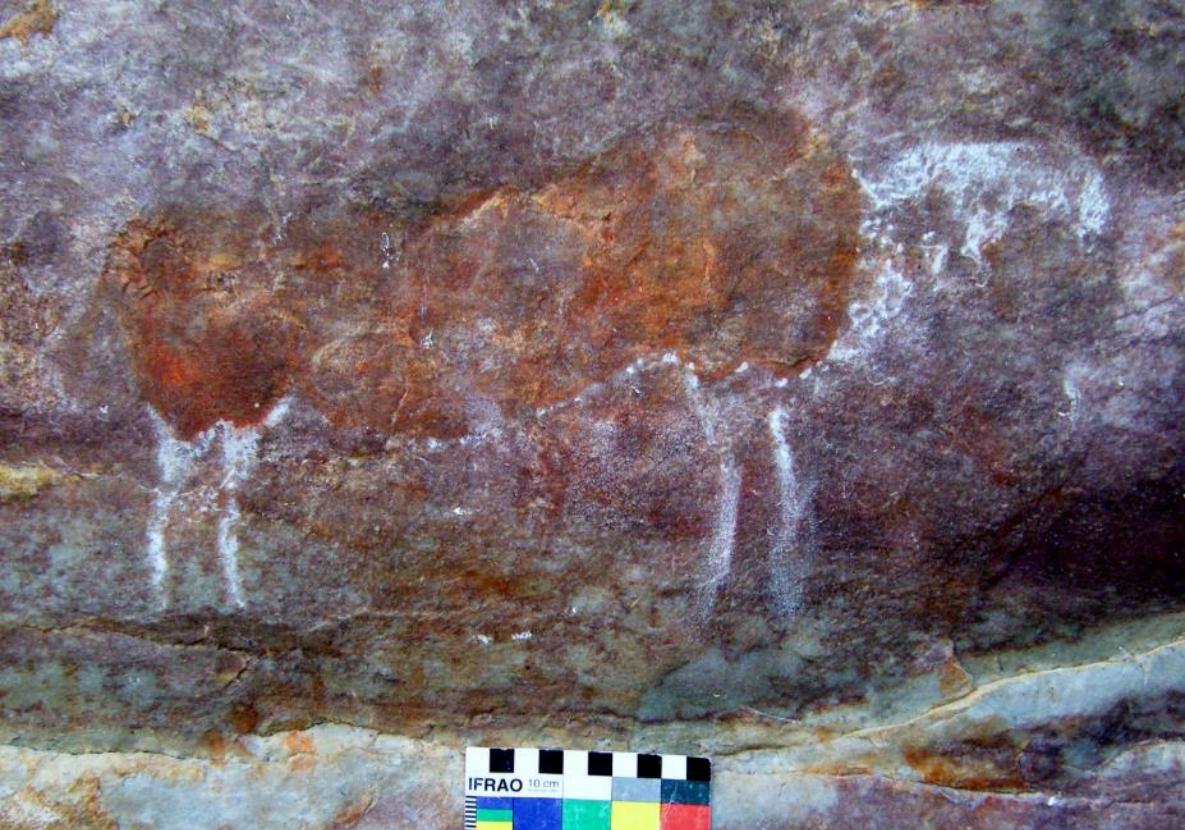
Four stridul figures 2nd figure
with long tassels. - hook head white face?

No obvious signs of being male
so could be 'female' process seen









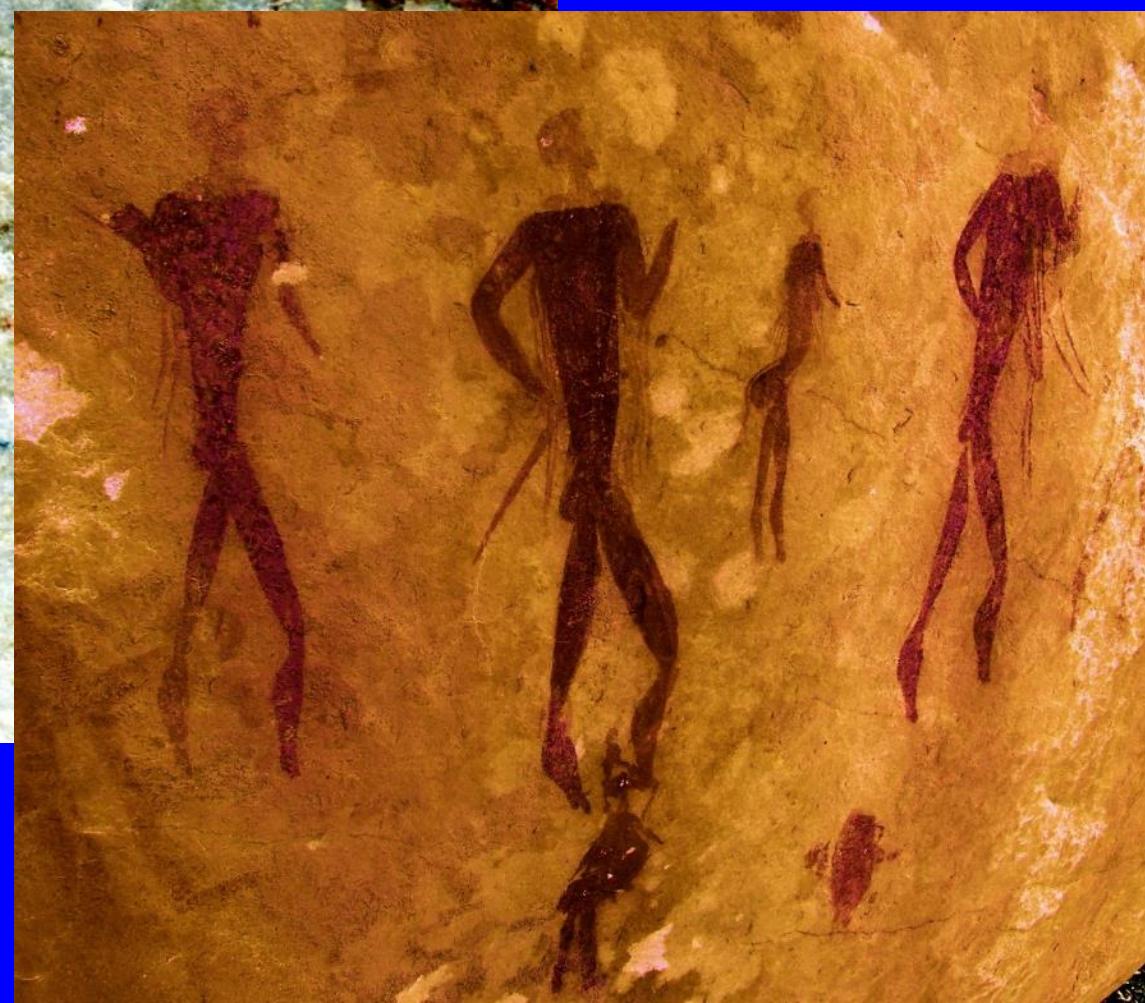








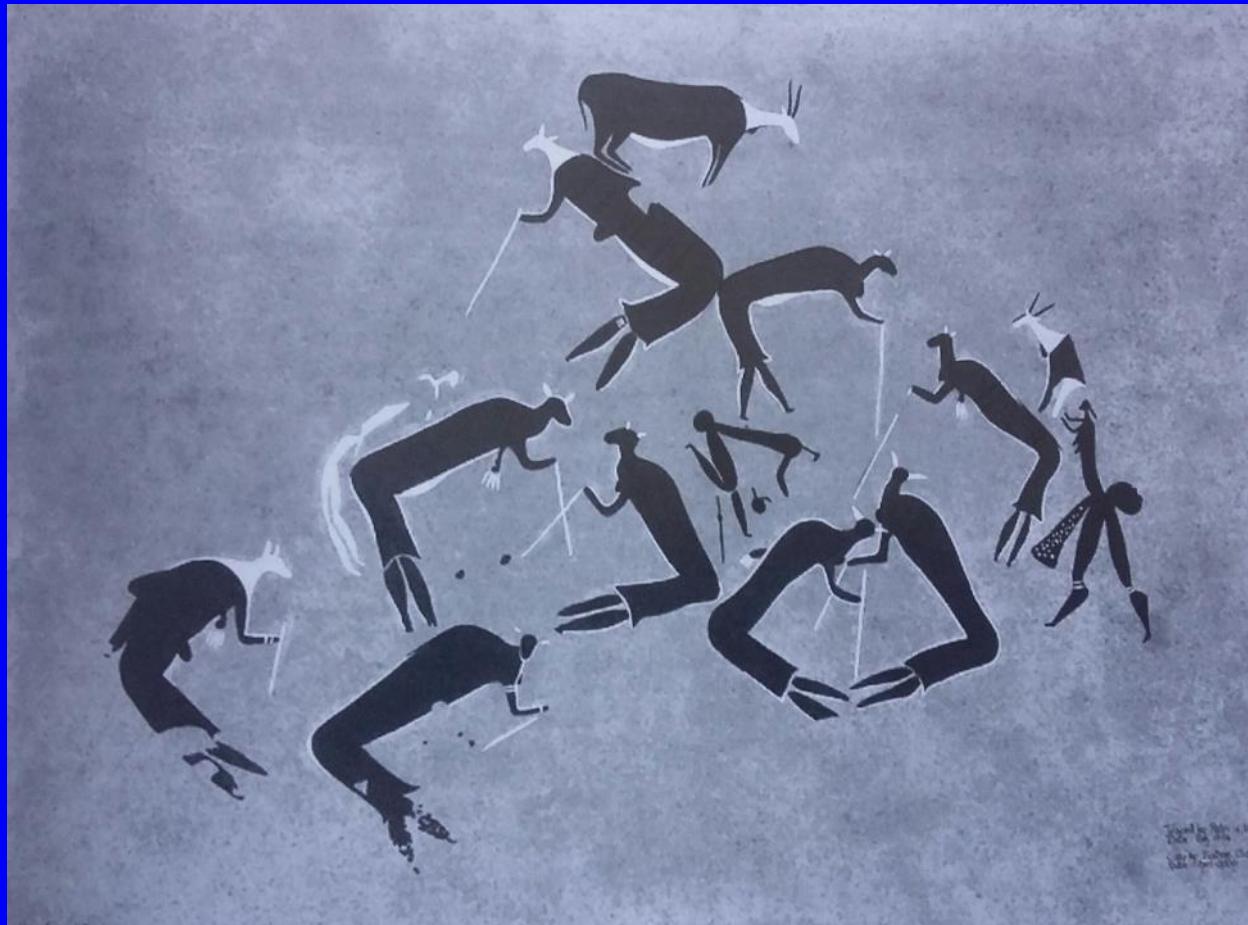




Religious art



Shamans and therianthropes and trance



Anatomically Modern Humans: 250kya



77 kya

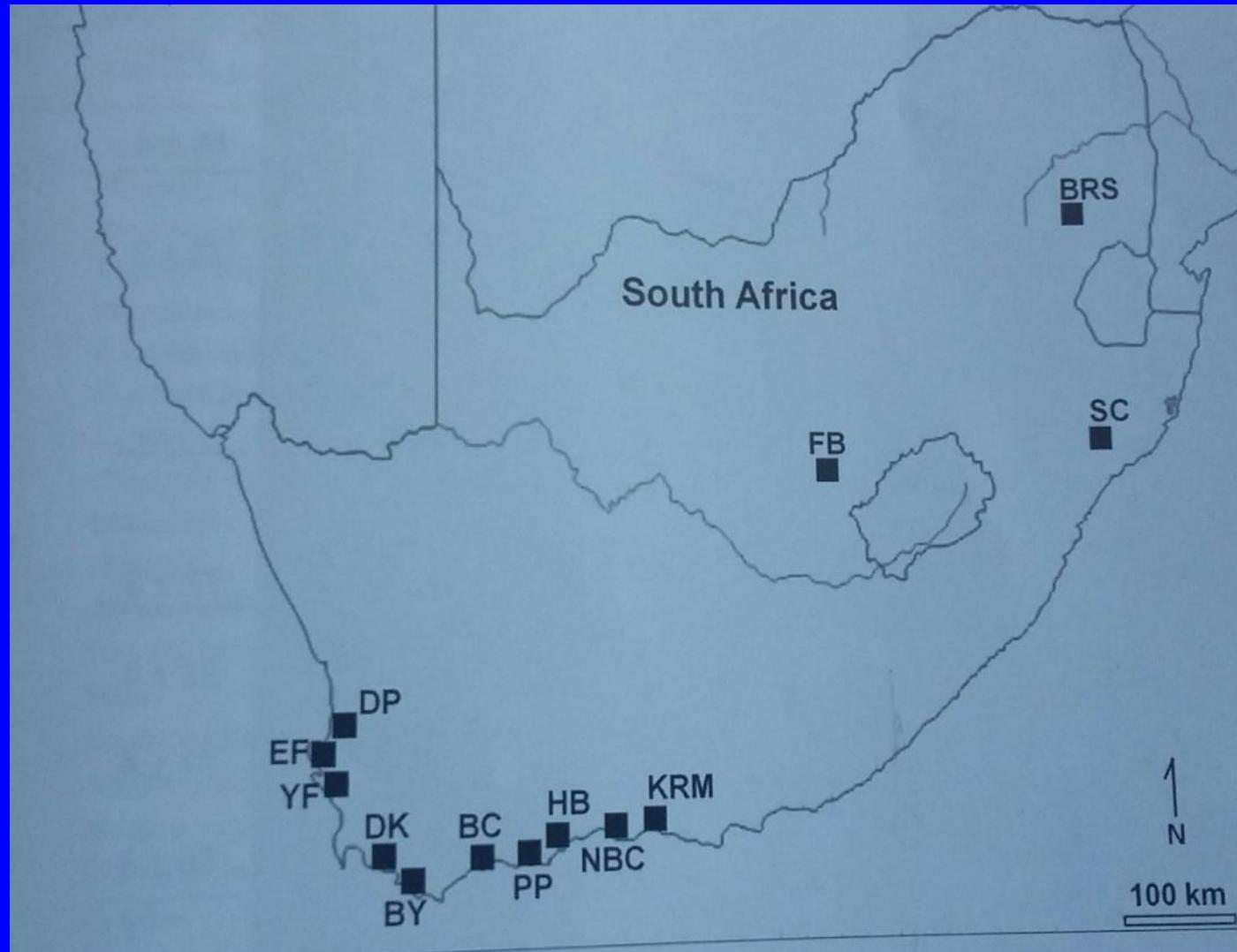
Massive Volcanic eruptions: Mt Toba

Atmospheric winter

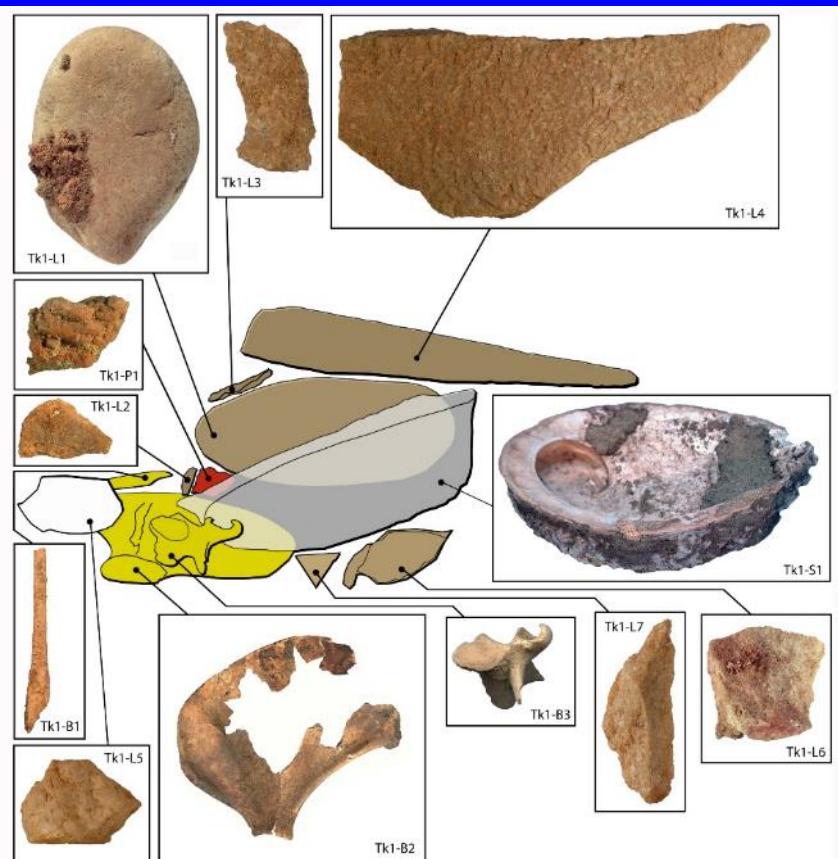
Population bottleneck

H sapiens reduced to 10 000 individuals

Where AMHs found a refugium 77kya



100kya: Blombos Cave, Stillbay



77kya: Blombos Cave



Ochre , OES and body decoration



42kya: El Castillo, Spain



Earliest flute
40kya
Hohle Fels, Germany



Apollo 11cave , Namibia, 25 kya



Art for Art's sake?

- Art for **Lifes** sake





Hands across the ages





We are hardwired for:

Art

Music

Dance

Religion

All integral to our species survival

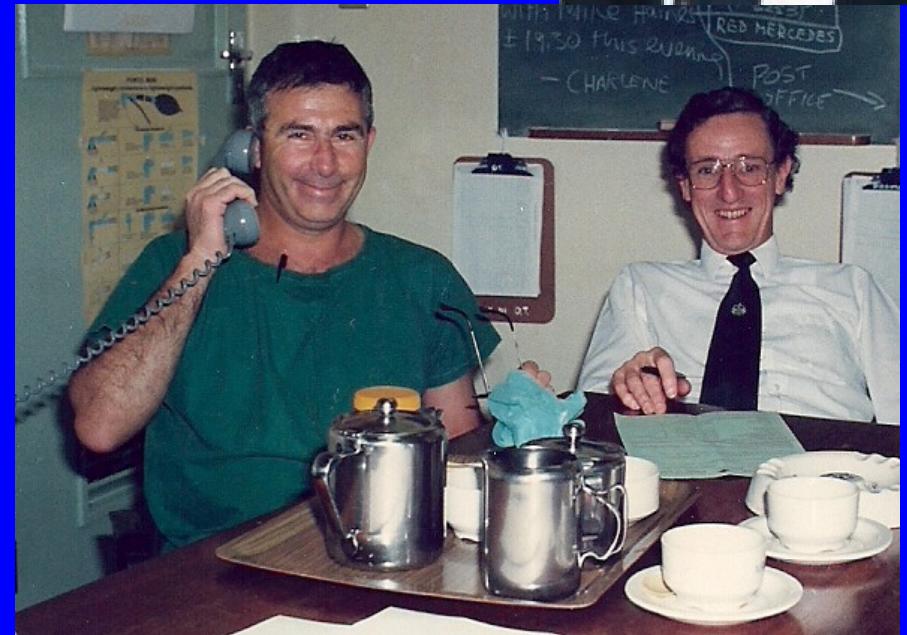
Enables Social cohesion

Creativity: mother of invention

We Are All Africans



Absent friends



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