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## David Madlabane's body of work explores the profound impact of loss on the human

**experience.** His artworks delve into the intense pain loss can evoke, plunging individuals into a period of darkness and despair. This devastating phase can be incredibly difficult to overcome, often leading to a breakdown and a fundamental questioning of everything, from one's own existence to the meaning of life.

Anxiety, feelings of displacement, and depression surface during this time, leaving individuals incomplete and broken. The process of piecing oneself back together is a monumental struggle. Crippling thoughts and a roller coaster of emotions can overwhelm the mental state, leading to changes in behaviour and perspective. Ultimately, however, emerging from this darkness can bring about a transformed view of life.

**Through his diverse artworks, Madlabane captures the different facets of this emotional journey.** By exploring this theme repeatedly, he encourages viewers to confront their own experiences with loss and find solace in the universality of these emotions.

| Frame    | None                       |
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| Medium   | Silkscreen and collage     |
| Location | Johannesburg, South Africa |
| Height   | 50.00 cm                   |
| Width    | 35.00 cm                   |
| Artist   | David Madlabane            |
| Year     | 2023                       |

