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Zinzi Zungu hails from the Kingdom of the Zulus where her television career began. She started off at the age of 16 as a regional TV presenter for ETV children's show Craze. She attended the Prestigious South African school of Motion picture and Live performance where she obtained her degree in Live performance. The highlights of her career include being the lead in award nominated comedy series Nomzamo, Continuity presenter for SABC amongst other TV, voice and commercial appearances. She knows runs her own company Star Quality Management and Acting Academy. Zinzi Zungu a women of many talents is an Actress, voice over artist, Presenter, MC and Businesswoman.

# Mr. Obey Muchipisi

Casting Director- TV Series



Obey Muchipisi is a Zimbabwean-born actor, singer, ballroom dancer, presenter, voice artist and news reader who has played roles in numerous South African television series including Generations, Rhythm City, Tshisa, Erfsondes and Ya Lia. Obey holds a B.A. in Media Studies degree with TV Productions as a major. Besides the degree Obey has professional qualifications as an Accountant (CIS), P.R. consultant (UNISA) and Film Actor (Auteur Film School, Cape Town). He is a qualified scriptwriter ad editor and the owner of Beezt casting and has cast productions such as Alone Film, AsiB films, Diamond Groove Pictures, Fuzebox Media, Generations, Penthouse Pictures, The Runner Film



## Ms. Bongwiwe Mlotshwa

Make up artist/Actress



Bongi Mlotshwa is a South African actress best known for her role as Lihle in the SABC1 drama series, *Soul City*, in 2009. She replaced Nomava Kibare in the role. She is the mother of actress Mbali Mlotshwa. She is most known in the entertainment industry as the Make up Guru. She has been *Generations'* head make up artist as well as *Muvhango* and *Uzalo*. She is also a Make-up artist to the A listers and runs her own Make up agency.

## Ms. Zikhona Sodlaka

Actress



Safta Nominated actress best known for her starring roles in such television series as *Shooting Stars*, *Rhythm City*, *Soul City*, *Intsika* and *Montana*. From 2007-2010 Zikhona starred as Ayanda Tau in the e.tv soccer drama *Shooting Stars*, played the role of Noluthando in the SABC1 drama series *Soul City* and the leading role of Noli Ntshinga in the SABC1 drama series *Montana*. She acted in the SABC1 miniseries *Entabeni* (based on the Shakespeare play *Macbeth*) and starred in the second season of the SABC1 drama series *A Place Called Home*. In 2011, she played the role of Suarez Baloyi on the e.tv soapie *Rhythm City*. In the same year, Zikhona played the role of Phakama in the SABC1 drama series *Intsika*. She also played the role of Themsi in the Tim Greene-directed film *Skeem*, had a guest starring role in the SABC1 drama series *Intersexions* and a starring role in the controversial drama series *After 9*. The gorgeous actress played Joyce Mojalefa on *Muvhango* and the role of Mandela's mother (Nosekeni) on *Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom* alongside international stars such as Idris Elba (who played Mandela). She also played Priska on *Generations* and was the host of a talent reality show "Top Actor SA" on BET.



## **Ms. Bonnie Meslane**

**The Creative Room  
Public Relation**



She has worked for one of the top PR agencies in South Africa, Total Exposure where she got to work on campaigns such as the South African Music Awards, Royalty Soapie Awards, BET Awards, BET Experience, MTV Africa Music Awards, MTV VMAs and worked on the Comedy Central – Trevor Noah – The Daily Show publicity, all MTV & MTV Base as well BET TV shows. She worked on the Neon Run, Nicki Minaj Pinkprint Tour and Castle Lager 120-year celebration campaign as well as Soho Salon publicity. A PR wiz and one of the best at getting the guests, Bonnie started her own business with close friend Tshepo Mabona, Creative Room. With Creative Room, the pair has worked with the likes of Cara Frew, Nomsa Mazwai, Zano, Kunle Ayo, The Muffinz, Mmatema, Bucie, Culoe De Song, MEC Panyaza Lesufi, Psalmist Queen, Israel Mosehla, The Joburg City Theatres, DJ Shimza and Cutthroat Entertainment as well as Kid X, SABC 1 News readers Thabile Mbhele and Sisanda Jonas.

## **Ms. Tumi Masemola**

**CEO Black Brain**



South African actress, singer, producer and businesswoman, best known for playing Letisha in the television sitcom City Ses'la. Tumi made her music debut as a member of the trio Gang of Instrumentals. Masemola is the managing director of Black Brain Pictures (a TV and film production company) and Mighty Music Africa (a record label). Black Brain Pictures has produced award-winning local shows such as City Ses'la, Ses' Top La, Abo Mzala, Thandeka's Diary, Lockdown and Change Down. SAMA (South African Music Award) - Best urban pop album 200: SAFTA Golden Horn (South African Film and Television Awards) - Best theme tune for a TV Comedy 2006: Channel O Music Video nomination - Best Group 2005: BLACK BRAIN PICTURES: Two Promax Awards - Best OnAir promo "UzoGwala" for Mzansi Magic 2016: 26 SAFTA Golden Horns including Best Comedy and Best Director 2006 .



# Ms. Celeste Khumalo

Face of Ponds



Motivational speaker, MC, news reader and the last Miss SA teen to be crowned in 2011. Celeste has shot with one of South Africa's leading soapies 'Generations'. She has done numerous commercials ranging from clients like Coke, Yogetta, Environ and Mango airlines. Her acting career also includes a Cameo role in a drama series called 'Sex tips for Girls', lead roles in a corporate video for 'Smart Bucks', a movie called 'Step up' and a short film entitled 'Jackpot Mathambo'. Celeste's other achievements also span outside of acting having been asked to be a lead in one of S.A top Music Groups TKZ Video. She is currently the Brand Ambassador for Pond's and a Woolworth Style icon by SA Influencer. Celeste is also the owner of a nail salon, Republic Nails, and graduated in 2015 with a BA in Corporate Communication at Varsity College and is currently pursuing an MBA at Regenesys Business School.

# Mr. Akhumzi Jezile

Producer/Actor



An actor, producer and television presenter best known on various YOTV shows on SABC1, from 2007-2012. Also known for his starring role as Tsietsi Zwane in the SABC1 comedy-drama series Khululeka Siyavota, a democracy education drama with comedy produced by Penguin Films for SABC Education in consultation with the IEC. He landed the starring role of Ngulube in the SABC1 drama series Tempy Pushas in 2013, set against the backdrop of the lavish fashion world and juxtaposed with the vibrant township culture. He was a radio presenter for Umhlobo Wenene, the face of the Maggie 2-Minute Noodles presenter search and a brand ambassador for the Protex Give Me 5 Campaign. He is a Series/Executive Producer on Yotv, Director on Live Amp, Series Director on Vodacom NXT Rocka reality show, and works on other shows as a voice over artist. He runs his company Peak Concepts and is a partner at Black Face. He won a Golden Horn Award for Best Supporting Actor in a TV Drama Series.



# Mr. Lufuno Mavuso

**BASA (Business and Arts)**



Lufuno Mavuso is the Head of Programmes and Development at Business and Arts South Africa and has long demonstrated leadership qualities as one of the founding members of the first national Bafundi Film and TV Festival, in partnership with South Africa Broadcast Corporation (SABC), Gauteng Film Commission (GFC) and the National Film and Video Foundation (NFVF), the role of the festival was to develop young filmmakers by providing a platform where they could screen their work as well as participate in workshops dealing with important issues such as funding, marketing, film distribution etc. The Film and TV Festival provided a platform for young filmmakers to interact with professional filmmakers and key industry stakeholders, thus bridging the gap from student to professional. After working on numerous industry events, Mavuso was offered the position of Projects Manager responsible for fundraising and local and international partnerships at Wits University's Drama for Life Department. In this role, Mavuso was then appointed Marketing and Operations Manager at Business and Arts South Africa (BASA).

Currently Mavuso is the Head of Programmes and Development at Business and Arts South Africa. In this role he is responsible for overseeing all programme development and delivery. Mavuso recently completed his Post Graduate degree in Management with a specific focus on Development at Wits University. He serves on the board of Arterial Network South Africa as the Deputy Chairperson.