



Zethu Dlomo-Mphahlele

Actress | Voice Artist

Zethu Dlomo-Mphahlele studied at The University of Witwatersrand where she acquired her Honours equivalent Bachelor's Degree in Dramatic Art (2010).

She starred in the film "*Fanie Fourie's Lobola*" as 'Dinky Magubane', which earned her both a SAFTA (2014) and SAIFTA (2013) nomination in the category of 'Best Actress in a Feature Film'.

She was the lead in the SABC 1 sci-fi series "*Room 9*" (2012) as 'Detective Alice Kunene'; she played a supporting role on "*Ayeye*" season 1 (2014) as 'Sibongile', and featured in one of South Africa's most popular telenovelas "*Isibaya*" (2017) where she played the role of Nonhlanzi/Lethu Hlatshwayo.

She has featured on international shows; namely: HBO series "*Number One Ladies Detective Agency*" (2008) as 'Baone Magasane'; "*Mary and Martha*" (2013) a feature film (directed by Phillip Noyce) where she played a cameo role character called 'Patience'. She also featured in CBC and BET's "*Book of Negroes*" (2014) playing the role of the pregnant slave 'Sanu'. She received international recognition on the hit Starz Network series "*Black Sails*" (season 3 & 4, 2015-2016), taking on the role of 'Madi', princess of the Maroon people.

She won the 'Brett Goldin Best Newcomer' award at the 2014/2015 Naledi Theatre Awards for her portrayal of multiple characters in the play "Have You Seen Zandile?" directed by Khutjo Green.

She featured in two plays: "Jero" directed by Dominique Gumede, and "Play" directed by Khutjo Green, which were part of William Kentridge's "Centre of the Less Good Idea" Season 1 (2017).

She stars in the first South African western film "Five Fingers For Marseilles" as 'Lerato', and attended it's world premier at the Toronto International Film Festival (2017). The film is set to be released in cinemas in the United States of America September 2018.

She also starred in John Irvin's "Mandela's Gun" and was present at it's world premier in New York, Harlem NY (2018). Later in the same year Zethu took on the starring role as 'Lwandle' in the Mzansi Magic Sunday evening drama "The Herd".

2020 has seen Zethu take on numerous roles, namely; a short film '*Hotel on the Koppies*' written and directed by Charlie Vundla, a SABC 1 mini-series 'Amazing Grace' playing the role of Sarah and not slowing down, Zethu played Lindo Cele as part of the ensemble lead cast in the drama series '*Erased*' for Moja Love Channel.

Performance Resume

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TRAINING:

2007 – 2010 BA (Dramatic Arts) Honours Degree
2003 – 2006 Grade 9 – 12 (Major in Drama Studies)

University of Witwatersrand
National School of Arts

TELEVISION EXPERIENCE:

2023	The River	Role: Portia Duma
2022	African Queens	Role: Nganga
2022	Isibopho S1	Role: Thandi
2022	Lingashoni S2	Role: Xolile Mabuya
2021 - 2022	Scandal!	Role: Lera
2021	The River S4	Role: Cebisa
2020	Robben Island Explainer Videos	Role: Presenter
2020	Amazing Grace S1	Role: Sarah
2020	Erased	Role: Lindo Cele
2020	Dead Places S1	Role: Nicole
2019	Robben Island Explainer Videos	Role: Presenter
2019	Generations – The Legacy	Role: Nokululeko
2018	The Herd	Role: Lwandle
2017	Isibaya S7	Role: Nonhlanzi/Lethu
2016	Walala Wasala	Role: Various Characters
2015 – 2016	Black Sails (S 3 & 4)	Role: Madi
2014 – 2015	Ayeye	Role: Sibongile
2014	The Book of Negroes (Mini Series)	Role: Sanu
2012	Room 9	Role: Detective Alice Kunene
2011	Zone 14	Role: Nozibele

FILM EXPERIENCE:

2022	MA	Role: Buyisiwe
2022	The Woman King	Role: Alele/Miganon
2020	Hotel on the Koppies	Role: Roxanne
2016	Five Fingers For Marseilles	Role: Lerato
2015	Nompilo (Short Film)	Role: Nompilo
2014	Sanu (Short Film)	Role: Sanu
2013 – 2014	Mandela's Gun (Documentary)	Role: Winnie Mandela
2011	Iphupho	Role: Nomakhosi
2011	Fanie Fourie's Lobola	Role: Dinky Magubane

THEATRE EXPERIENCE:

2017 The Centre of the Less Good Idea Season 1
"Play" by Samuel Beckett

Tshedza Pictures
Westworld | NuTopia | Film Afrika
Eclipse Communications | Mzansi Wethu
Stained Glass TV
Ochre Media
Tshedza Pictures
FBI Communications
Sothar Pictures | dir. Zuko Nodada
Moja Love Channel | dir. Zuko Nodada
Motion Story | Netflix
Clive Morris Productions
MMSV Productions
Seriti Films, Msanzi Magic
Bomb Pictures, Msanzi Magic
Grounded Media, Thenx, SABC 1
Starz Network
Bomb Pictures, VUZU Amp
Moonlight Productions
DV8 Productions, SABC 1
Bomb Pictures, SABC 1

Zethu's Tales
Moonlighting Productions
House Rising Pictures | dir. Charlie Vundla
Stage 5 Films, Dir. Michael Matthews
Blingolia Media
Blingolia Media
DV8 Productions
Impucuzeko Skills Development
Out of Africa Productions, Dir. Henk Pretorius

By William Kentridge
Dir. Khutjo Green

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THEATRE EXPERIENCE CONTINUED:

2017	"The Trials of Brother Jero" by Wolè Soyinka	
2017	"Love/Hate" improve piece	
2013 – 2014	Have You Seen Zandile	Role: Gogo, Lulama, Lindiwe
2016	Azanya is Five to ... (Comedy)	Role: Various Characters
2015 – 2016	The Triple M Mammamas (Comedy)	Role: Various Characters
2014	The People Shall Kurk (Comedy)	Role: Various Characters
2011	Youth in Society (Comedy)	Role: Various Characters

AWARDS & NOMINATIONS:

2016	National Arts Festival Ovation Award Winner
2014/2015	Naledi Award Winner for Brett Goldin/Best Newcomer Award
2011	SAFTA & SAFTA Nominee for Best Female Actor in a Feature Film

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