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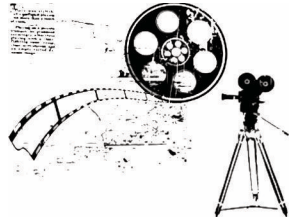


MAPULA SETLHAKO

Height	1,74m
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Languages	English, Tswana, Pedi, Sotho

Mapula Setlhako is an academic, a thespian, an applied theatre practitioner, a director, drama coach and a lecturer. She started her journey in the arts when she was still a teenager at Mmabana Arts, culture and Sports foundation in the North West Mahikeng. She furthered her studies at Tshwane University of Technology and graduated with National Diploma in Performing Arts. She worked as a drama teacher for different arts institutions including the South African State theatre, Mmabana Mahikeng Arts culture and sports foundation until she joined TV production houses like Muvhango and Rhythm city working behind the scenes as a script supervisor. Mapula is an honours graduate from Wits University, Drama for Life. In 2015 she joined the Market theatre laboratory as a part-time drama tutor, and in 2017 she joined the critically acclaimed film school, AFDA as a 2nd year acting lecturer in Performance Studies.

Mapula has acted in both screen and theatre. Her television shows include **Hillside, Scandal, Muvhango** and **Ekasi Stories**. She performed in Paul Grootboom's famous play "**Cards**" in 2001, **Raisin in the Sun** directed by Jerry Mofokeng 2002, **Sophiatown** directed by Vuyo Maphela 2003, **Yerma** directed by Woutrin Van Wyk 2004. Membership directed by Thato Motlhaolwa 2015, **Unonqhause** directed by Bhebhe Wits University 2016, 2017 **Seperekisi** directed by Katlego Leysholonyana. Her honours thesis won the best auto-ethnography research in 2016 Humanities department at Wits University. She wrote and performed her t



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wo hander research with Busisiwe Radebe and directed by Mooketsi Kgotle. Furthermore her show **“The Runner”** was nominated to perform at Olive tree theatre woman’s Arts Festival 2017. In 2019 she directed **“Walls and Pillows”** that won a standing ovation award at Grahamstown arts festival

Current employment

Company name: AFDA Film School JHB
Department Live performance
Job title: 2nd year lecturer

Institution : **Wits University (2016)**
Course : Honours in Applied Drama
: Cum-laude on research, applied theatre, reflective practice,
: Drama therapy, Arts administration

Institution : **Tshwane University of Technology (2009)**
Course : National Diploma Drama
Subjects Passed : Teaching practice, Voice training and radio, Oral interpretation
Text analysis, Acting Monologues, Poetry Movement Teaching
Arts Administration, Theatre Studies