

## MY CINEMA PORTFOLIO

My name is Jennifer Yohanes Okandze, I'm 18 years old and I'm passionate about the world of cinema and acting. From an early age, I've known I had a talent for these arts, as well as for scriptwriting.

Unfortunately, I never had the opportunity to go to drama school or gain any professional experience. However, this never stopped me from learning on my own. My mother has been my drama teacher since childhood; she has always encouraged and motivated me, and is the best teacher I could have asked for.

Today, my goal is to deepen my knowledge of film and acting. I'm ready to work hard, take part in projects and give my best to make my dreams come true. For me, film and comedy are ways of telling stories and moving people. I hope to gain new experiences that will allow me to grow in this field.





## MY PASSION FOR CINEMA

*What inspires me about film and comedy is the ability to convey messages and show a certain reality of things that happen in real life in a different light. I love practicing the scripts I write and watching films, especially comedies and dramas, that explore deep themes while entertaining. Seeing young actors of my own age acting motivates me enormously. My idols in the film world are Tyler Perry, Kevin Hart, Dwayne Johnson, Will Smith, Jamie Foxx and Michael B. Jordan. I want to become like them, even though I know I can never be identical to them. In this world, there can never be two identical people of the same potential; you either do better, or you do differently. So I always try to take my cue from them and draw inspiration from their work to create stories that touch the audience.*

**PERSONAL PROJECTS (PLEASE CLICK  
HERE ON THE IMAGE FOR AN  
OVERVIEW OF THE SCRIPTS I HAVE  
WRITTEN).**

I've directed a number of screenplays, including teen films, children's films and a drama. I've also written scripts for reality TV shows. Each time, I come up with lots of ideas. For example, in my teen scripts, I've learned to capture emotions and group dynamics, which is essential to making the story relatable. Working on drama, I've deepened the complexity of characters and situations. As for reality TV, I've come to understand the importance of storytelling and pacing in maintaining audience interest. I'll show you a few examples in the screenshots below.



## PRACTICE AND TRAINING (PLEASE CLICK ON THE IMAGE TO BE DIRECTED TO MY MONOLOGUE).



- Regular rehearsal: I commit to regular rehearsal, devoting time each week to practice. This helps me strengthen my skills and gain confidence.

- Content creation: I write scripts and dialogue to explore storytelling and character development. This allows me to hone my writing skills while practicing acting.

- Acting :

- Improvisation: I practice improvisation exercises to develop my creativity and responsiveness on stage.

- Relaxation techniques: I use breathing and relaxation exercises to concentrate before acting, which helps me manage stress.

- Scene analysis: I choose scenes from films or plays to work on, analyzing the characters' emotions and motivations.

# My favorite artists

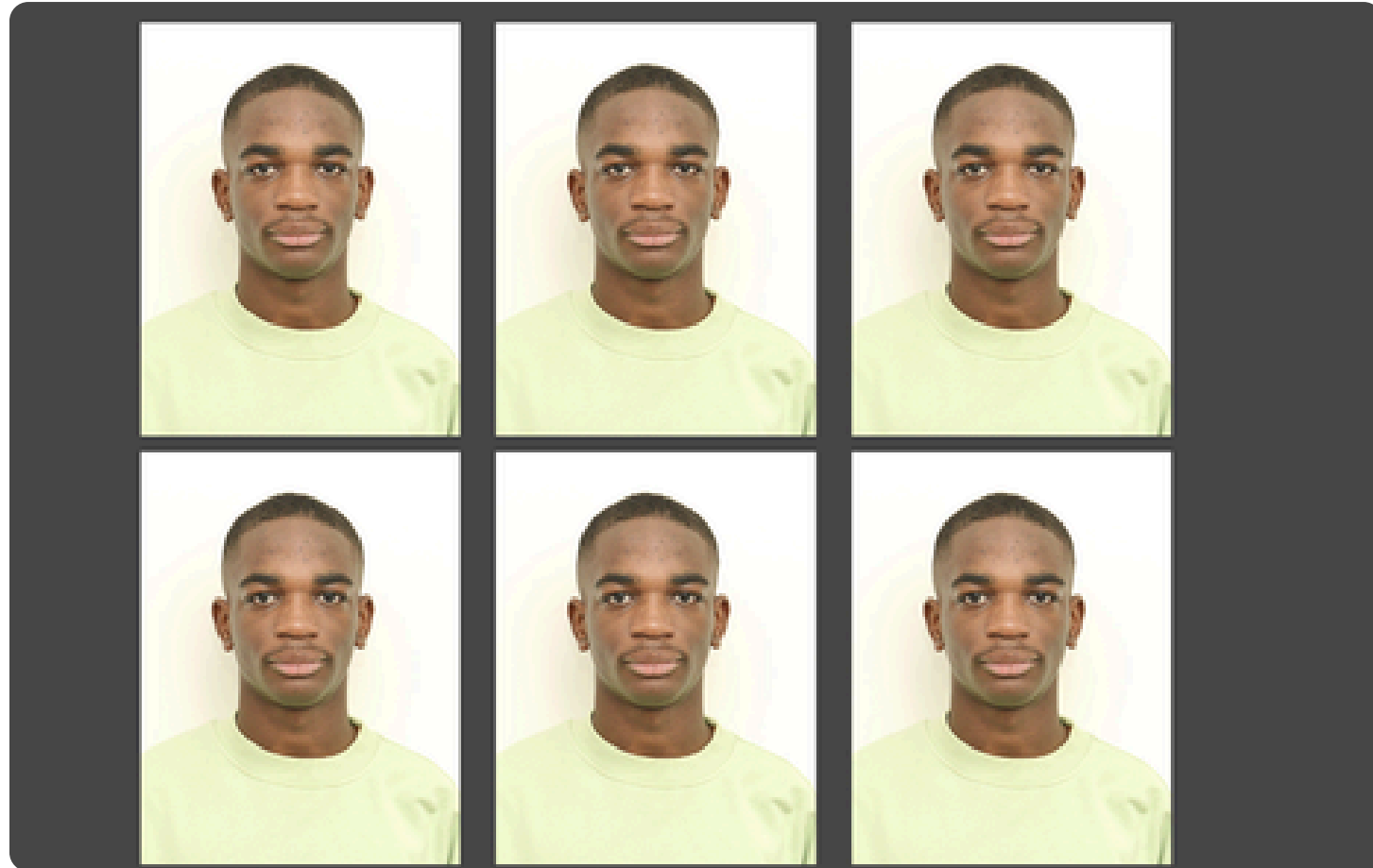
The artists who inspire me in film are many, but some stand out in particular. **Tyler Perry**, with his unique approach to storytelling, tackles profound themes while offering an authentic perspective on African-American life. **Kevin Hart**, meanwhile, combines humor and sincerity, proving that comedy can touch on personal and social issues. **Jamie Foxx** stands out for his versatility, excelling in both drama and comedy, showing that one actor can master several genres.

**Will Smith** embodies resilience and determination, moving successfully from television to film, while remaining true to himself. **Michael B. Jordan** brings a new generation of committed actors, choosing roles that defy stereotypes and pave the way for more diverse narratives. **Dwayne Johnson**, known for his charisma and sense of humor, inspires with his journey from professional wrestling to successful filmmaking, while promoting values of hard work and positivity.

**Taraji P. Henson and Queen Latifah**, both forces of nature, exemplify the power of representation and emotion, encouraging women to fight for their dreams. Together, these artists inspire not only through their talent, but also through their commitment to meaningful storytelling and their positive influence on culture.



# MY FUTURE GOALS



***I PLAN TO ACHIEVE MY GOALS STEP BY STEP. MY FIRST GOAL IS TO REALIZE MY DREAM OF BECOMING A GREAT ACTOR AND COMEDIAN. THIS IS IMPORTANT TO ME NOT ONLY BECAUSE IT'S BEEN MY DREAM SINCE I WAS A CHILD, BUT ALSO BECAUSE I'M DOING IT FOR MY MOM AND SISTER, WHO HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED IN ME AND SUPPORTED ME, EVEN WHEN OTHERS LAUGHED AT ME AND TOLD ME I COULDN'T DO IT.***

***I'D ALSO LIKE TO SET UP AN INTERNATIONAL TALENT AGENCY TO HELP PEOPLE WHO HAVEN'T HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO FILM SCHOOL. I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT EVERYONE DESERVES A CHANCE, BECAUSE IT'S BY WORKING HARD THAT YOU LEARN AND PROGRESS.***

***NEXT, I'D LIKE TO OPEN MY OWN INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION COMPANY, WHERE I CAN CREATE YOUTH FILMS AND DRAMAS, WHILE MIXING DIFFERENT CINEMATIC CULTURES. I WANT TO INSPIRE ALL THOSE PEOPLE WHO, DESPITE THE FACT THAT THEY DIDN'T GO TO TOP FILM SCHOOLS, FIGHT FOR THEIR DREAMS AND DON'T GIVE UP.***

***FINALLY, I'D LIKE TO COLLABORATE WITH GREAT ACTORS FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES, SUCH AS MERCY JOHNSON, FUNKE AKINDELE AND REGINA DANIELS IN NIGERIA, TO ENRICH MY PROJECTS AND SHARE STORIES THAT REACH A WIDE AUDIENCE.***

***I HAVE SO MANY PROJECTS IN ME THAT I CAN'T WAIT TO REALIZE.***