

THE FILMMAKING PROGRAMME OPENS FOR THE JULY INTAKE!

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The Certificate Programme in Filmmaking has been designed by the SOTAMBE Film Institute in partnership with the Zambia Institute of Mass Communication (ZAMCOM). It is a ten-month programme that focusses on all aspects of filmmaking. Students will receive a clear understanding of what it takes to be a filmmaker and will be able to pass through all the stages in the filmmaking process (pre-production, production and post-production). This will enable them to produce a number of their own short films and final Graduation project during their studies. In addition, students will pass through one month industrial attachment in various production and media houses.

The programme aims to equip students with key skills to understand the whole process of film production. It was established through the collaboration between SOTAMBE Film Institute and ZAMCOM. Classes are therefore offered in both Lusaka and Ndola. „*Film Industry in Zambia is growing and has tremendous potential for the job creation and massive GDP contribution. It is necessary to create a network of academic qualifications with an emphasis on the skills training in the field of filmmaking that shall be offered in various provinces in the country. Decentralization is absolutely key for the expansion of the industry and as SFI we are more than happy to collaborate with ZAMCOM offering such important programme on the Copperbelt,*“ said Martina Mwanza, Director of the SOTAMBE Film Institute.

The Memorandum of Understanding was signed last year and after all logistics have been put in place, the programme is now ready for student's registration. Director of ZAMCOM, Peter Shula is very pleased with the progress made and has assured opening of the July intake that has been long overdue.

For detailed description of the programme including the calendar and specific courses, as well as the application form for both Lusaka and Ndola, kindly visit the website <https://sotambe.org/certificate-programme>

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SOTAMBE Film Institute (SFI), a company limited by guarantee, was established in 2014. Its aim is to educate and raise awareness of social issues through film and arts. The organisation serves as a platform for:

- Learning institutions that want to use documentaries, arts and panel discussions as a new and advanced method of learning.
- Local filmmakers and artists looking to showcase their projects, share ideas and inspire others.
- Capacity building for the filmmaking industry through filmmaking workshops.

The Zambia Institute of Mass Communication (ZAMCOM) is an independent educational trust under the ministry of information and broadcasting services under Chapter 164 of the laws of Zambia Act No. 9 of 1996. The mandate of ZAMCOM is Media Training, Media Development and Broadcasting productions. ZAMCOM is a known Powerhouse for media trainings country wide and on the international front. You are welcome to train at ZAMCOM and get value for money.