



2013 - 2024

Film Portfolio



L’ARCHE Zimbabwe - A refuge for abandoned, disabled children who have been given an opportunity to contribute to the community they live in.

2014 <https://youtu.be/C1hYRTAmFVc>

AFRICAN BUSH CAMPS – Botswana, Mana Pools and Hwange photographing and filming wildlife, Camps and Lodges.

2013-2017 <https://africanbushcamps.com/>

BRITISH COUNCIL / EUNIC – Interviews of Matali Crasset and Michel Paysant. Photographic documentation of the collaboration of the artists and the communities. Exhibition of life sized portraits of the weavers in collaboration with Michel Paysant.

2014 <https://youtu.be/SMBRMfpBygo> <https://youtu.be/iwDBEG2X1Jg>

SHANGAAN CEREMONY - Mwenezi Zimbabwe. A traditional Shangaan male circumcision ceremony in Mwenezi Zimbabwe. In Shangaan culture, where male circumcision is known as hoko, only circumcised men can marry within the community. Uncircumcised men are considered immature and are banned from participating in Men's gatherings. 2014 <https://youtu.be/ygyz7CC0ehU?si=0MReviAkJMSXzq9L>

UNFPA – ‘Shamiso’s Story’ – A 5 minute documentary of the story of 15 year old Shamiso whose family wanted to marry her to an older man due to economic hardships. The Sista2Sista programme supported and funded this film.

November 2015. <https://zimbabwe.unfpa.org/en/news/all-girls-must-fight-their-rights-shamisos-story> https://youtu.be/ofzNUN1_Sr8

UNITAID – Debra Messing’s Visit to Malawi . ‘What Got us Here, Wont’ get us There’, HIV Self Testing Photographic documentation of the trip and a 4 minute film.

July 2016 <https://youtu.be/RV-IFDO3bOc> <https://www.psi.org/ambassadors/debra-messing/>

PSI/JHPIEGO – Frank Dialogues – a social documentary filmed in 4 Southern African countries. Dialogues on Men’s behaviour towards Men’s Sexual Health. Talking to men on the street about their views towards HIV, Circumcision and Health Care. 2016 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qcfva_wFl_4&t=21s

GATES FOUNDATION - Film Documentation on Workshop ‘Changing the Game on VMMC.’ 2019 <https://www.malecircumcision.org/resource/changing-game-vmmc>

PSI WASHINGTON – ‘Eliminating Cervical Cancer’ Film – a documentary on Wendy’s Story.

UNFPA – 3 film on GBV, Maternal Health (AIDS Conference 2019) <https://youtu.be/rvgkwbIQICE> <https://zimbabwe.unfpa.org/en/video/sonenis-story-surviving-gender-based-violence> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eM33VjoEX4I&t=4s>

UNITAID/STAR – Breaking Barriers (AIDS Conference 2019) –Filmed in Zambia, Zimbabwe, Lesotho and South Africa, the distribution of the HIV self test kit is enabling people to test for HIV in the privacy of their home. <https://youtu.be/cgk6PsP48tQ>

THE LAST MILE – UNITAID/STAR (ICASA 2019) – Self Testing Distribution using 3 models of distribution in South Africa. 2019 <https://youtu.be/v06ycigLcoo>

IN WATER RUNS LIFE – A programme to teach children in the Cape Flats to swim.

2019 <https://youtu.be/7cLHczcVdxc>

LEVANA – LAVENDAR HILL – Filmed in the Cape Flats, a primary school growing their own food and feeding the community. 2019

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JNOYALrA838&t=43s>

GROUNDBREAKERS – A soup kitchen set up by a resident of Ocean View, filmed at the beginning of lockdown. 2020 <https://youtu.be/pQAgJcYMPQ>

OCEAN VIEW ORGANIC FARMERS – Filmed during the beginning of lockdown May 2020, one of the Soup kitchens that sprang up to feed the communities in the Cape Flats.

https://youtu.be/TzA32_dCZoY

VDP – THE OPEN DOOR - Valley Development Projects (VDP). VDP uses an integrated development approach to combat a number of social issues, alleviate poverty and address the imbalances of the past. Ocean View and Masimphelele, Cape Town – August 2020.

<https://youtu.be/RbdiEaEuYTs>

KALK BAY ARTISANS - The lack of Tourism in Cape Town has affected artisans who are struggling to sustain their families

2020 <https://youtu.be/1KSxzy4ghMk>

THE SECRET LOVE PROJECT - Buying a Heart sticker in Cape Town from a seller on the street costs R20, all of this goes directly to the homeless person. The Secret Love Project helps people to earn an income so they can feed themselves and share the symbol of love. 2020 <https://youtu.be/VN9zGc5lPcw?si=KWmxbrLwasEZgMxt>

VIVA CON AGUA – Interviews of 3 Street Artists painting murals in Cape Town. Viva Con Agua are implementing water and sanitation in Eastern Cape. 2020 Mari Pavanelli Afro Ivan Zezao <https://youtu.be/XFij-21gVUI?si=Uuml6povPajOgxSv> https://youtu.be/Ofn5RwRLh50?si=6GvlihU-R_OwiKXm

UNITAID - photomontage/video reflecting on the work that has been done by STAR to write the roadmap of HIVST and self-care.

STAR/PSI - Hepatitis C Self Testing Film South Africa. 2023

HEART OF CAPE TOWN - The Heart of Cape Town, founded by James Fernie, is a project to take hearts, made by Laston Sachikonye, in to the most dangerous areas of Cape Town and to be shared throughout the world. 2024 <https://youtu.be/sMHGiOPFHK4?si=SPbSJil4MUMrzPek>

Independent Film

Since 2013 Eric Gauss and Odette van Rensburg @ Dogs on the Run have been documenting social behaviour. As independent film makers, we have the freedom to document without limitation, agenda or restrictions. We make documentaries that document what is, capturing issues steeped in stigma and shame. By unveiling the masks worn as armour, we shine a light on issues our society chooses to ignore.

THE GUARDIANS OF STONE - An international collaboration Project by the Artist JR Inside Out. The Guardians of Stone is a tribute to Artists who despite economic challenges keep their spirit intact and make the Stone alive through their hammer and chisel. 2013 <https://youtu.be/M8tJovl4JSo?si=97adTJngD5OB09qE>

GIVE A MAN A MASK AND HE WILL TELL YOU THE TRUTH – An independent short documentary on male sex workers and the challenges this marginalised group face in Zimbabwe, include stigma, abuse from the communities and rejection at health care facilities.

2017

Film Festivals, ZIFF 2017 Film Freeway Jozi Film Festival (JFF) 2018 CTIFM&F 2018 and Encounters 2018

https://youtu.be/1-MGgr_bWn0?si=doalyH1XWG6mEDK3

#thetotalshutdown Cape Town 2018. Women across South Africa's nine provinces joined the **#thetotalshutdown** to protest the alarming rates of gender-based violence in South Africa. GBV remains a deep-rooted problem in South Africa. <https://youtu.be/jbruUxI9Fok?si=4y6jKVEgI8camXUP>

DISCONNECTED - A documentary that shines a light on the many unanswered questions and stigma, often experienced by those with the lived experience of suicide. 2019-2022 Trailer - <https://vimeo.com/671885388>

MEN TOO - Domestic Violence Against Men 2024 - Each year 3000 men in the USA are killed by their female partner. 1 in 3 victims of family violence in Australia are male. Over 50% of men never discuss their abuse. https://youtu.be/pl5UdAiQNG4?si=KZwakMi9uAnK6xc_