



ESTERI TEBANDEKE

JUSTIN MIRICHII

# LITTLE BLACK DRESS

*Every coin has three sides*

Six Guys Productions presents a film by Esteri Tebandeke. Starring Esteri Tebandeke and Justin Mirichii.  
Edited by Esther Kintu. Sound Design By Benjamin Wana.  
Director of Photography Wambui Bo Muigai.  
Produced by Esteri Tebandeke and Samuel Tebandeke. Written and Directed by Esteri Tebandeke.



# **LITTLE BLACK DRESS**

Production Country: Uganda

Production Year: 2019

Runtime: 22 minutes

Aspect Ratio: 16:9

Frame Rate: 24fps

Screening format: DCP, MOV

Language: English with English subtitles

# 1 FILM STILLS





## 2 SHORT SYNOPSIS



A woman stuck in a cycle of routine, obligation and guilt figures out a way to reset her life amidst a feminist uprising.

### 3 DIRECTOR'S NOTE



I woke up one day to news that the Minister of Tourism in my country, Uganda had decided that women's bodies were to be used as a tourist attraction. He went on to start a campaign coined "Miss Curvy".

To loosely state his words; "We have very beautiful women here. Why can't we use them to draw more tourists into the country?"

Immediately my mind went to this place and I started to ask myself questions. Do women's bodies belong to men? Or society? Do women have a say on what happens to their bodies? And most of all, what would a world where women made the rules and made decisions on men's bodies look like?

What would happen if women made the whole world uniform and run it through the feminine eye?

What would happen if men stepped into the shoes of women and lived just a day as a woman?

LITTLE BLACK DRESS was born.

My name is Esteri Tebandeke and I want to tell stories about women for women. I would like to see a world that is more tolerant of each other's perspectives, views, cultures and traditions.

## 4 BIOGRAPHIES

### 4.1 ESTERI TEBANDEKE (DIRECTOR, SCREENWRITER & PRODUCER)



Esteri Tebandeke is an actress, dancer, storyteller and visual artist. She has been an actress since 2008 performing in a variety of theatre and film productions in Uganda and around the world. Her most notable film work was on the Walt Disney Studios production, *Queen of Katwe*, starring Academy Award winning actress Lupita Nyong'o and David Oyelowo.

Esteri has had her films as an actress and director shown at numerous festivals like Toronto International film festival, London film festival, Luxor film festival, Raindance film festival, Uganda Film Festival, Durban film festival, Africa international film festival.

Esteri was part of the writing team on a web series being developed in collaboration with film students from Uganda, Kenya, Ghana and Germany. This project was shot on location in Accra, Ghana and is currently in post-production. *Little Black Dress*, her directorial debut is a short film that was shot on location in Nairobi, Kenya in April 2019. The film premiered in competition at the 2019 edition of the Africa International Film Festival.

### SAMUEL TEBANDEKE (PRODUCER)



Samuel is a screenwriter, producer and director. Alumnus of the MNET Screenwriters workshop (2009) and Maisha Film Lab (2008 & 2009), Samuel has gone on to write for TV and film. Two of his feature films have been optioned and he has projects at various stages of development. His debut short film, *Another Beautiful Day* was released in mid 2017 and was in the official selection of the 40<sup>th</sup> Durban International Film Festival 2019. His directorial debut *Ten O'clock*, a short film, premiered in April 2019 In Competition for the Young African Film Makers Award at the Afrika Filmfestival in Leuven, Belgium. The

film screened in competition at PÖFF Shorts Film Festival 2019 in Estonia. His desire is to contribute his voice to the growing body of African cinematic work that reaches audiences all over the African continent and beyond. He previously worked as Project Coordinator (Kenya) for One Fine Day Films, a pan African film training initiative that has produced seven feature films over the past 10 years.

## 5 CAST

Dee – ESTERI TEBANDEKE

Mo – JUSTIN MIRICHII

Milly – RUBY NGUNG'U

Man 1 – MURIITHI MWANGI

Man 2 – JACKSON KANG'ETHE

Man 3 – SAMUEL TEBANDEKE



## 6 CREW

Directed by ESTERI TEBANDEKE

Original Screenplay by ESTERI TEBANDEKE

Produced by ESTERI TEBANDEKE & SAMUEL TEBANDEKE

Cinematography by WAMBUI "BO" MUIGAI

Production Design by EUGENE OYOO

Edited by ESTHER KINTU

Original Music by BENJAMIN WANA

## 7 TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Format	HD
Ratio	16:9
Sound	5.1 Surround
Running Time	23 minutes
Country of origin	Uganda
Date of Production	2019