

Yvonne Cheryl



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An award-winning actress and director whose eyes peer directly into the souls of audiences on screen.

From an early age, Yvonne Cheryl exhibited a talent and propensity for the arts; while in school, she began her career, appearing in commercials and productions at a stage company.

Yvonne began acting in Kenya & Tanzania professionally around the age of 16, and though she studied filmmaking at the famous Wilnag Film institute, the prospect of becoming an actress was always her dream.

Her 1998 powerful performance as a young lady struggling to reconcile her life with her multiple lovers, in the acclaimed series "Mambo Hayo" where she got her nickname "Mona Lisa”

The beautiful, Yvonne then resumed acting, appearing in a major role in the stage play Government inspector "2001_ followed by Zawadi Ya Ushindi_" in 2002 before resuming her feature film career".

Yvonne's screen charisma was obvious at her feature screen debut "Girlfriend." (2002), where she played Tumpale who is forced to turn to her life around after being kicked out by her dad for seducing the maid against pro-xtian ideals

Filmography / Movie Credits

Black Sunday – 2010 ZIFF Award Best Actor from Tanzania

Binti Nusa 2 & 3 - 2010 Filamu Central Award Best Actress in Tanzania

Payback

Nimeokoka

Cellular

Wrong Number

Wedding Pressure

Behind The Scene

Who is Smarter

She is My Sister >>with Mercy Johnson An African collaboration by Director--Femi Ogedegbe

Dilemma

Sabrina

Girlfriend

Directorial Credits

Kaburi 12007

Chanzo Ni Mama2007

Binti Nusa 12008

Where is God2009

Binti Nusa 2 & 3..... 2010

Stage Plays

A Man of The People -----Kenya National Theatre (Nairobi, Kenya)

Dont Dress For Dinner -----Russian Cultural Centre (Tanzania)

The Song of Lawino -----Little Theatre (Tanzania)

Zawadi ya Ushindi ----- ZIFF (ZANZIBAR)

The Govt Inspector -----Bagamoyo Art Festival

TV Commercials

Heineken-----2001

Assas Diary Milk -----2002

Comfy-----2010

Awards

Zanzibar Int'l Film Festival-----Best Tanzania Actor 2010
Film CentralBest Tanzania Actress 2010
KIU Media-----Queen of Bongo Films 2008

Interests: Parenting, Cooking, Creative Writing, TV & spending quality time with loved ones

- **Born:** Yvonne Cherrie Lewis on August 19, 1981 in Tanzania, East Africa
 - **Job Titles:** Actor, Producer & Director
- Family:** Daughter: Sonia. Born c. 2002: & Son: Abdul. Born c. 2008;

Milestones

- 1998 TV debut in episode of the Mambo Hayo Tv series In (billed as Mona Lisa)
 - 2002 Garnered praise for her debut role in the feature movie "Girlfriend"
 - 2003 opposite Ken Ambani and her real mom veteran actress Susan Lewis in Dilemma
 - Moved to Kenya to study Film-making at the Wilnag Media Institute
 - 2008 Directed & Co-starred with legendary Hashim Kambi in Binti Nusa 1
 - 2010 Starred in Nimeokoka - Co-starring Lumole, Apostle Mary, Pastor David based on religious values; received a Xtian acclaim for her Lead role
- 1 Re-united with Ken Ambani – 2009 African Movie Academy Award winner and Susan Lewis in Binti Nusa 2 & 3 which she wrote, acted, produced and directed
- Raised in Angola, Kenya & Tanzania,
 - Produced the top East African entertainment television show "Bongo Movies"
 - **She is the CEO of Cherrie Company Ltd a Tv, film production and marketing company**



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“By the time she appeared in Binti Nusa 2 & 3, Yvonne had been singled out by her peers and critics as one of Africa's brightest stars, and her strong performance in the film only helped to corroborate that sentiment” - -KH

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