



## 2014 Press Kit

### Statistics

**558**  
students

**51**  
films

**110**  
mentors

**37**  
labs

Maisha Film Lab marked its ninth year in 2013, having provided 558 Scholarships, produced 51 films, and developed a year-round curriculum encompassing a variety of skill levels. We started out with one lab in 2004, and now, Maisha holds four Screen Writing labs in Uganda, Kenya, Zanzibar & Rwanda, one Annual Documentary Lab in Uganda, and One Annual Filmmaking and Technical lab in Uganda followed by the MAFF (The Maisha Annual Film Festival), as well as frequent Master Classes and two Annual Youth Labs.

Our films have been screened at over 20 international film festivals including The Berlin Film Festival, Seattle Film Festival, International Rotterdam Film Festival, and Toronto International Film Festival among many others. A number of Maisha alumni have received further funding to actualize their short films into features.

In 2011, we invited alumni to return to Maisha as mentors for our programs, taking a firm step toward the realization of one of our key missions – the self-sustainability of the East African Film Industry. Our mantra: If we don't tell our own stories, no one else will.



### Programs 2014

#### **Screen Writing Labs**

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Zanzibar, Tanzania	June 5-15
Kigali, Rwanda	July 6-14
Kampala, Uganda	October 11- 18
Nairobi Kenya	November 3-10

#### **Annual Documentary Film Lab**

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Kampala, Uganda	November 17-29
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