

# Jackie Cah

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Film Maker, Cultural Administrator.  
Organisational Changemaker, Facilitator.

## Career Profile

Jackie is a highly skilled professional with varied areas of expertise. Since the mid 90s she has been involved in the local film industry as line producer and producer. She also works in the field of organisational change, community development and facilitation.

She has experience as an educator and trainer, in arts administration and music promotion and as a writer. Currently she writes a weekly column on food for the Zimbabwe Financial Gazette.

She is dedicated to 'making things work' and to helping people explore their passions and reach their full potential.

## Experience

**Currently:** Advisor and consultant in proposal writing and project development, also mentor for Kufunda Leadership Program.

### 2013 Pamberi Trust, Harare

#### Change Manager

Jackie spent a year helping the organisation through a transition period, updating administrative systems and redefining roles and job descriptions

### 2011 Film Production Playing Warriors

A Zimbabwean feature film written and directed by Rumbi Katedza and Produced by Jackie Cah and Rumbi Katedza.

### 2011-2012 KAITE Trust, Harare

#### Change Manager

Kaite Trust is a young, rapidly growing organisation working with communities in the field of organic agriculture. Jackie worked with organisational transition, to help with implementing systems, with governance and compliance issues. with HR and resource management. She was appointed to the board of KAITETrust in 2013 [www.KAITE.biz](http://www.KAITE.biz)

### 2005 - 2010 Pamberi Trust, Harare, African Synergy Trust, Johannesburg

#### Training Consultant

She engaged in capacity building workshops for women musicians under the auspices of the *Flame* project. (Pamberi Trust's flagship gender project) She conducted writing workshops for staff (press releases etc) and contributed to and assisted in the editing of *Marimba* - an online Arts Magazine, a project of African Synergy.

[www.zimbabwewearts.org](http://www.zimbabwewearts.org), [www.africansynergy.net](http://www.africansynergy.net), [www.marimbamedia.net](http://www.marimbamedia.net)

### 2006 - 2009 Kufunda Learning Village, Harare

#### Operations Co-ordinator, Acting Director

Kufunda Learning Village - ([www.kufunda.org](http://www.kufunda.org)) is a Learning Centre outside Harare engaged in building sustainable community in Zimbabwe. Jackie worked there for 4 years helping to strengthen organisational skills and to develop administration and project management systems. She was managing organisational and programme budgets, writing project proposals and producing reports and newsletters. She also co-facilitated community programmes and leadership training programmes. She has now withdrawn from direct management but sits on the board of the trust and continues to play an active role in fundraising and as a mentor for the community management council at the Village.



### **1994 to present      Film Industry, Zimbabwe**

#### ***Line Producer/ Producer***

Jackie worked on numerous films as Line Producer Large and small scale, local and international, feature films, shorts and documentaries.

As Producer her credits include:

*Playing Warriors* 2011 Pangolin Films and Mai Jai Films directed by Rumbi Katedza

*Blue Sky* 2001 Pangolin Films. ( co -producer with Patrick Meunier) directed by Patrick Meunier

*'Kare Kare Zvako'* 2003 (co-producer with Olaf Koshke), Nyerai Films and Pangolin Films directed by Tsitsi Dangarembga;

Other Highlights:

*'Lumumba'* 1999 JBA Productions, directed by Raoul Peck;

*'Tides of Gold'* Zimmedia 1998;

*'Kini and Adams'* 1996 Les Films de la Plaine directed by Idrissa Ouadraogu

*'Flame'* 1995, Zimmedia. directed by Ingrid Sinclair

### **2000 to 2005 -Manager and Promoter - The Cool Crooners**

Jackie - together with colleague Patrick Meunier - managed the Cool Crooners, a foursome of old jazz singers from Bulawayo. During this period the group recorded two CDs under the Sony World Music label and toured extensively in Europe, North America and Africa.

### **2002 to 2005 Freelance Fixer/Trainer**

- Fixer for foreign film crews -background research, facilitating interviews, managing schedules, arranging permits and permissions, organising logistics.
- Trainer in Production Management for Unesco Film School's occasional courses.
- On the job training and capacity building with young filmmakers with WFOZ ( Women Film Makers of Zimbabwe) Event Management, ( Zimbabwe International Film Festival ) Stage building, coordinating opening and closing events including decor, liaison with bands, caterers etc.

### **1991 to 1994 Freelance Writer and Researcher —**

Co-ordinator ( also joint writer and editor) for annual publication of Zimbabwe Women Artists Diary Notebook.

Research Project - *The Bende Gap People of the Nyanga District* ( published 1992) Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace      Other research projects included

a history of the Zimbabwe Project, a local Non governmental organisation

an evaluation of the Cooperative Preschool Programme (for the Christian Peace Movement)

a video on Workers Health and Safety for the ZCTU and ILO

**1982 to 1991 – Teacher of English**

Marlborough High School, Cranborne Boys High School, Vainona High School (A level) Harare Polytechnic (Business English) Produced and presented for television a discussion programme on A level texts

**EDUCATION**

BA (English and Philosophy) University of Cape Town 1978

**SKILLS**

Budgeting and Financial management, Report and Proposal writing.

Trained in Art of Hosting ([www.artofhosting.org](http://www.artofhosting.org)) a participatory facilitation technique designed to engage and host group processes. Computer Proficient

Mother tongue English. Conversant in French.

Jackie chairs the Board of Pamberi Trust and is a Trustee of Kufunda Village Trust and Kaite Trust. She is also a board member of the National Arts Council of Zimbabwe.