

Brief Bio for Lisa Chiriseri

For official use: 235 / 285 words

Lisa is placed among the **Top Ten African Youth in Philanthropy** for the pan-African Youth in Philanthropy Awards (2015) officiated by the prestigious African Grant makers Network. She is a **Mandela Washington Fellow** for US President Obama's Young African Leaders Initiative(YALI). She was named among **Zimbabwe's Top 40 under 30 Emerging Leaders** and is a Zimbabwe Youth Achievers 2015 finalist.

Lisa is a **Zimbabwe Global Youth Ambassador for Education** for UN Secretariat initiative #AWorldAtSchool and is a member of the Zimbabwe National Youth Council's Youth in Development and Social Work committee. Lisa has 9 years' work experience collectively focusing on rebranding the image of African women globally, child education, responsible citizenship, youth volunteerism, homeless rehabilitation.

At age 18 she started a soup kitchen and rehab program in partnership with the Harare City Council and Mayors Cheer Fund which has since seen 2 young homeless men become university graduates and many others rehabilitated.

In 2012 and 2013 Lisa jointly founded and now runs initiatives-

Fund-A-Child's-Education-Zimbabwe (FACEZ national Education Fund) with over 360 beneficiaries; and pan-African organisation: African Women Association (and Awards) with representation in 16 countries so far.

Lisa is joint- owner of ZoeEntertainment TV a South-African based Zimbabwean TV content and media production house. She is youth chairperson at her church His Presence Ministries International. She holds an Hons in International Business and completes her MBA-Sustainability at Hult International Business School 2017.

Lisa has emerged an influential young leader and inspirational brand followed for her hands on commitment to community work and development of the young African woman. Her goal in the coming months is to expand her scope of impact regionally, focusing on pan-African networking, local philanthropy and sustainability, and TV production.