

REFILWE MAITISA

Actor, Singer & Model

Height: 1.72m **Hair:** Dark Brown **Eyes:** Dark Brown

Languages: English = 10/10,
Sotho (Mix of Sepedi, Tswana & SiPitori) = 6/10
Afrikaans = 4/10

Skills: Trained Singer - Mezzo Soprano + Alto (Belt); Accents (American, British); Fluent in the International Phonetic Alphabet; Movement & Dance (Basic Ballet, Waltz, Hip Hop); Stage Combat (Unarmed, Fencing, Rapier Sword); Sports (Netball, Tennis, Running, Soccer, Chess, Basketball, Touch Rugby, Swimming)



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Qualifications

2021	NEW YORK UNIVERSITY	Bachelor of Fine Arts in Drama *Summa Cum Laude Minor: The Business of Entertainment, Media & Technology
(*Received Top Student Award for Leadership and Academics at Tisch + Outstanding Achievement in Studio Award for The Classical Studio)		
2018	THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF DRAMATIC ARTS (LOS ANGELES)	Associate Degree in Theatre

Film Experience

2021	THE PORTAL	Anna (Lead)	Rachel Johnson	Independent
2019	MIDNIGHT SHOW	Jennifer (Lead)	Adrian Kader & Zac Wiesel	Independent
2019	ZULU WEDDING *Best Narrative Feature at Pan African Film Festival	Young Lu (Supporting)	Lineo Sekeleane	Luju Inc.
2018	PRICELESS *Semi-Finalist at AT&T Awards	Masana (Supporting)	Kamogelo Mokwena	Independent
2018	TENDER *Winner at Best Shorts Competition + 3 international film festival nominations	Rebecca (Supporting)	Tyler Townsend	Independent
2017	ARE WE NOT MEN	Ivy (Supporting)	Zahra Golafshan	Independent

Theatre Experience

2023	THE SLAVES	Ayanda	Nii Lante Cunnison	National Theatre of Ghana
2020	ROMEO & JULIET	Lady Capulet (Supporting)	Daniel Spector	Cabaret Theater
2019	THE MERCHANT OF VENICE	Portia (Lead)	Daniel Spector	Cabaret Theater
2018	MACBETH	Lady Macbeth (Lead)	Mary Bleier	Academy Theater

Musical Theatre Experience

2019	HUMANITY'S CHILD	Cousin (Ensemble)	Keena McDonald The Players
2018	*Off-Broadway (Playbill) THREE SISTERS	Masha (Lead)	Theatre Landfield Academy Theater
2017	UNCOMMON WOMEN AND OTHERS	Kate (Lead)	Frank Krueger Academy Theater
2019	HUMANITY'S CHILD	Cousin (Ensemble)	Keena McDonald The Hudson Theatre
*Winner of Best Choreography and Best Director awards at New York Theatre Festival			

New Media / Web Series Experience

2022	EPITOME	Bria (Supporting)	Corey Laramore Endlos Entertainment
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Singing Experience

2022-Current	SINGING LESSONS	Individual	Christine Ludwig
2012-Current	GRACEPOINT WORSHIP MUSIC	Lead & Background Vocalist	Gracepoint Church
2018	ACAPELLA	Vocalist	Academy Theater
2015	SHINE CONVENTION	Soloist & Duet	Gaylord Palms Resort
2015	NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD	Soloist	Roodeport Theatre
2014	SOUTH AFRICAN TALENT CHAMPIONSHIP	Soloist	Boksburg

Modeling Experience

2023	JOBURG FASHION WEEK	Runway Model	David Tlale	Melrose Arch
2015	MERCEDES BENZ FASHION WEEK	Runway Model	David Tlale	Constitutional Hill

Commercial Experience

2023	MTN	Lead	TBWA	MTN
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Achievements

2023	AFRICA MONOLOGUE CHALLENGE	(Won 2 nd Runner Up at the Africa Monologue Challenge in Ghana, as the only representative from South Africa)
2021	PRINCESS GRACE AWARD NOMINEE	(National award recognizing top, extraordinary emerging talent in the US)
2021	DRAMA BANNER BEARER AWARD	(Top student in leadership & academic excellence in all of Tisch Drama)
2021	UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR	(Top 40% of baccalaureate students in Tisch)
2021	OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN STUDIO AWARD	(Award for excellence in Classical acting at Tisch Drama)
2019	THE JOSH GOLDFADEN AWARD	(Outstanding contribution to building community of writers & readers at NYU)
2019, 2020 & 2021	DEAN'S LIST	
2015	3 RD PLACE OVERALL FEMALE TEEN ACTOR	(SHINE Conference, AMTC in Orlando, Florida)
2015	3 RD PLACE OVERALL TEEN SINGER	(SHINE Conference, AMTC in Orlando, Florida)
2015	PASSED MATRIC WITH SIX DISTINCTIONS	(English, Drama, Biology, Accounting, History, L.O.)
2014	SOUTH AFRICAN TALENT CHAMPIONSHIP	(Top 10 Vocalist)