

Lizz is known as one of South Africa's most versatile Entertainment Industry professionals – she is a celebrated actress, tv presenter, theatre director, film performance director, dramatist, novelist, scriptwriter, screenwriter, playwright, guest lecturer, copywriter, translator, theatre producer, Arts journalist, MC, voice artist, creative consultant, guest speaker and screenwriter. As well as a qualified, registered auctioneer. As an actress, since starting in the industry as a qualified professional, 39 years ago she has never been unemployed, and as versatile industry professional, she is frequently working on as many as 6 projects simultaneously.

Lizz started working professionally as a 9 YEAR OLD, PERFORMING AT THE DRAMA DEPARTMENT – UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA.

AS PRETEEN & TEENAGER SHE REGULARLY PERFORMED IN PRODUCTIONS AT THE PRETORIA THEATRE FOR CHILDREN, AND APPEARED ON TELEVISION ON PROGRAMMES SUCH AS “GATEWAY.

AS DRAMA STUDENT she performed as narrator, for PACT DRAMA, PACT BALLET, and various TV productions for the SABC as well as doing radio work and dubbing for the SABC.

Since then she has starred in tv productions for all the local channels: SABC, M-NET, KYKNET, E-TV as well as for BBC/THAMES TELEVISION (UK)

Since graduating with a BA (DRAMA) Honours degree from the University of Pretoria in 1983, Lizz has starred in more than 400

stage productions, 300 Television productions and 30 Feature films. These productions range from the "classics" to contemporary dramas and farce, comedies, sitcoms, musicals, pantomime and cabaret. She has written and directed 305 productions and is extensively involved in the producing of mainstream theatre.

- Lizz has translated 5 plays; from french and English into Afrikaans, co-written, solo written television scripts and 7 full length feature films, and has starred in 14 one-woman shows. She is also known as tv presenter, magazine journalist, master classes drama lecturer, external examiner for drama schools, voice-artist, script editor, adjudicator for Arts Festivals, and is a popular mc and speaker at corporate and charity functions.

Known for her patronage of the visual arts, Lizz frequently writes articles on South African visual artists, as well as featuring as guest speaker at the opening of Art Exhibitions – various group exhibitions and solo exhibitions artists include: CHRISTIAAN DIEDERICHS, SANNA SWART, BERKO WILSENACH, ISOLDE KRAMST, EUGENIE MARAIS, MUSHA NELUHENI HANSIE VISAGIE. Lizz has opened and MC'd the Annual ABSA Atelier awards five times, and the Sasol New Signatures Art awards - twice.

She has worked abroad- in USA, Holland, Denmark, England (LONDON) and at the Edinburgh Festival - (Main Festival) co-starring with the internationally known cabaretier and political satirist Pieter - Dirk Uys.

Her production of MY NAAM/ NAME IS ELLEN PAKKIES also performed at FESTIVAL VOOR HET AFRIKAANS (THE HAGE, NETHERLANDS) in June 2013.

This production- written, directed and produced by Lizz Meiring, ran for 5 years to sellout audiences - making it the longest running drama in South Africa to date.

Lizz is the recipient of 20 awards - including the joint Vita Award and the Critic's Award - The Dalro - for best actress, and best supporting actress. She also won the prestigious Ster Kinekor / Nu Metro film award –2001 “The Golden Entertainer “ of the S.A. Film Industry. In 2004 she is the recipient of the MR VIDEO/STER KINEKOR/NUMETRO SPOTLIGHT AWARD for BEST SCREEN ACTRESS OF THE LAST DECADE 1994 –2004 (TV, VIDEO & FILM), as well as the RANDBURGSE KULTUURTOEKENNING 2004, NALEDI AWARD for best supporting actress, 2005, DIAMANTSTAD STERREWEG TOEKENNING VIR LEWENSLANGE BYDRAE TOT DIE KUNSTE, 2013, THE NALEDI BOARD OF TRUSTEES &

CHAIRMAN'S LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2014 , KKNK 2019 Award for lifelong service to the Arts.

For three decades Lizz has presented and compiled as well as directed - life style shows (food & wine pairings) with SA's top wine, port and MCC makers .

Her 18 nominations include from 1985-2014– Kanna, Vita ,Dalro, Naledi Awards- for best production, best new script, best director,best performance in a comedy , best actress, best supporting actress, 2 Artes awards, and the Edinburgh Crystal Award for best leading actress, The safta – GOLDEN HORN awards, as best supporting actress for a tv series (2006). Best Screen Actress, TEMPO awards 2014.

Lizz is fully bilingual, and has also performed (with the help of dialogue coaches,) in Dutch, French, German and Sotho.

Her first novel - "BREEK "(meaning SHATTERED) co-written with Barrie Hough, was published in September 2002 (Tafelberg publishers) and has since reprinted 15 times , plus was nominated for the prestigious M.E.R.literary award 2003. "BREEK" is a set book for high schools nationwide; from 2003.

A further 6 books were published in 2007 – 6 individually published plays with relevant production details. These 6 books all carry the same main title : LIZZ SE SPEEL GOED (translated as Lizz's play things.)

IN 2010 , HER TOP SELLING COMPILATION OF HER POPULAR MAGAZINE COLUMNS "DIE BESTE VAN BIZZIE LIZZIE " (QUELLERIE PUBLISHERS – PART OF NATIONAL BOOK PUBLISHERS) HAD THE DISTINCTION OF BEING TOP SELLER AT 4 MAJOR BOOK OUTLETS NATIONWIDE. (

Lizz has also contributed to the following anthologies : WARE SUID AFRIKAANSE LIEFDESVERHALE (HUMAN & ROSSEAU)

TRUE SOUTH AFRICAN LOVE STORIES(HUMAN & ROSSEAU) (compiled by Corlia Fourie)-

AMFITEATER (PROTEA BOEKHUIS) (Compiled by

BLOU MAANDAG (TAFELBERG) (Compiled by Kerneels Breytenbach)

IN DIE KOLLIG , -LAPA PUBLISHERS , 2014 – COMPILED

& EDITED BY LIZZ MEIRING

TWO OF HER DRAMAS HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL'S SET BOOK DRAMA ANTHOLOGY (2014)

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CV AT A GLANCE :

AWARDS X 20 FOR TV, THEATRE, FILM, CULTURAL CONTRIBUTION

ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS :X 18 FOR ACTING,-TV , THEATRE & FILM PRODUCING, SCRIPT, DIRECTING, NOVELIST, PRODUCER

ACTRESS-

TV: 300 PRODUCTIONS

THEATRE: 400 PRODUCTIONS

FILM : 30 PRODUCTIONS

CORPORATE 5000+ PRODUCTIONS

WRITER / DIRECTOR : 210 PRODUCTIONS

PRODUCER - 279 PRODUCTIONS

12 BOOKS PUBLISHED

1 DVD

TV PRESENTER – 4 SERIES – FOR M-NET, SABC, KYKNET
DIRECTOR –210 PRODUCTIONS

WRITER : ADVERTISING COPY , DRAMATIST,- DRAMA, COMEDY, FARCE, CABARET, MUSICALS,
PANTOMIME, SOLO PLAYS, CORPORATE , NOVELIST – PUBLISHED – TOP SELLING –5 REPRINTS IN 3
YEARS, ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT JOURNALIST FOR– 7 PUBLICATIONS, SINCE 1999, COLUMNIST –
MAGAZINE & RADIO,

12 publications (books) published

SCREENWRITER – 3 TV SERIES,x7 FULL LENGTH FEATURE FILMS

TRANSLATOR – ADS, DOCUMENTS, PLAYS, TV ,FILM & CORPORATE SCRIPTS , MORE THAN 300

SCRIPT EDITOR & SCRIPTING ADVICE

FOR DRAMATISTS – DEON OPPERMAN, JEANNE GOOSEN,MADELET DU PLESSIS, LYNETTE RETIEF
,JEANNE GOOSEN, VINETTE EBRAHIM

FOR TV WRITERS – DEON OPPERMAN, HARRY HOFMEYER, GARTH HOLMES

FOR FILM SCRIPT WRITERS : JOHAN ENGELBRECHT, ANDRE ODENDAAL, PAULO AREAL

FOR NOVELISTS : BARRIE HOUGH

IDEAS & CREATIVE CONSULTANT & CONCEPTS : FOR : CORPORATE , THEATRE, MUSICAL, FUNCTION
& EVENT IDEAS MORE THAN 250 CONSULTATIONS

VOICE ARTIST – RADIO ADS, VOICE OVERS, AUDIO VISUALS, DUBBING ,MORE THAN 8000

MC & GUEST SPEAKER - MORE THAN 5000 CORPORATE & CHARITY FUNCTIONS, LADIES CLUBS,
LITERARY ORGANISATIONS, TRAINING INSTITUTIONS,SPECIALIST ORGANISATIONS , OPENING OF
VENUES, ART EXHIBITIONS, PRODUCT LAUNCHES

LECTURER : EDUCATIONAL , SECONDARY & TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS , MASTER CLASSES, ADVISORY
DIRECTING , EXTERNAL EXAMINER , FREE WORKSHOPS FOR TRAINED YOUNG PROFESSIONAL
ARTISTS ON HOW TO RUN THE BUSINESS OF THE ARTS & HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN WORK &
CAREER.

ARTS CONSULTANT : FOR ARTS FESTIVALS - KKNK, CULTIVARIA, CULLINAN FESTIVAL,
SUIDOOSTERFEES, KALFIEFEES

ADJUDICATOR : NATIONAL ARTS FESTIVALS, ATKV TV AWARDS, GRAHAMSTOWN STUDENT DRAMAS,
UNIVERSITY STUDENT PRODUCTIONS , CHOREORAPHY COMPETITIONS ,DALRO AWARDS

CHARITY WORK : (OVER 4000 CHARITY FUND RAISING FUNCTIONS & PERFORMANCES DONE
TOTALLY FREE OF CHARGE) INCLUDES :

MES – www.mes.org.za

TBF – tbfsa.co.za

ELLEN PAKKIES FOUNDATION

CANSA

CARING DAISIES

SPCA

ABRAHAM KRIEL/ MARIA KLOPPERS

JOHANNESBURG CHILDREN'S HOME

AIDS FOUNDATION

HOSPICE

GRANNY'S HOME

ANIMALS IN DISTRESS

ALTA DU TOIT CENTRE FOR PHISICALLY AND MENTALLY IMPAIRED

SAACA - Patron

NID TRAINING - Patron

Lizz Meiring -actress, tv presenter, MC , director, script writer, arts journalist, speaker, translator, voice artist, producer, qualified registered auctioneer , arts activist, columnist, creative consultant, copy writer , board member of Theatre Benevolent Fund.

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corne@artistwarehouse.co.za / oppiplanke@gmail.com

Agent for booking : tv, film, theatre, voice overs, commercials : Contractors Artist Agency -

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Agent for obtaining scripts by Lizz Meiring

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