

# Rodney Kimbangu

Filmmaker - Photographer - Painter

Multi-Award-Winning Filmmaker with a proven record of filmmaking success. Wrote, produced, directed, photographed, and edited Lituka (2019) and Unfulfilled (2020). Directed the first VR Tour at Berea College. Recipient of the first Rodney Kimbangu Achievement Award for Excellence in Film Production, honoring outstanding contribution to the film program at Berea College.

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Filmmaker

Berea College/Marketing and Communications

08/2017 – 05/2020

Berea, KY, USA

#### Achievements/Tasks

- Managed, planned, and executed 25+ video projects from concept to delivery reaching over 10 000 views on YouTube.
- Motivated over 12+ faculty and staff members to work for the college by improving the outsourced institutional video.
- Planned and directed the first-ever VR video of the college, offering donors a remote campus visit.
- Redesigned and upgraded the editing workflow, achieving a 25% increase in productivity.
- Boosted the video content delivery speed by 20% by analyzing, restructuring, and enhancing the production processes.

### Visual Storyteller

Harper College/Marketing Services

06/2019 – 07/2019

Palatine, IL, USA

#### Achievements/Tasks

- Created a visual bank of 5+ promotional videos for social media campaigns targeting students.
- Conceived and delivered a 45-seconds video advertising the University Center partnership with 3 Master's programs.
- Updated 10+ motion graphics that celebrated the 50th anniversary of Harper College to relevant 2019 data.

### Freelance Creative Artist

Banque Commercial Du Congo/Marketing and Communications

02/2016 – 06/2016

Kinshasa, DR (Congo)

#### Achievements/Tasks

- Conceived and contributed visuals to the Marketing campaigns that increased the market retention of young users by 20%.
- Created 30+ visuals that increased youth engagement by 20% and customer interest by 10%.
- Brainstormed the bank's 2016 institutional video script.

## SKILLS

Directing

Cinematography

Editing

Video Production

Photography

Sound Recording

Lighting

Entrepreneurship

Creative Thinking

Design Thinking

Resourceful

Flexible

Learner

Risk Taker

Industrious

Strategic

HTML5

CSS3

PHP

Bootstrap

Adobe Premiere Pro

DaVinci Resolve

Adobe Photoshop

Autodesk Maya

Adobe Lightroom

Adobe Encoder

MS Office

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

### Young African Leader

Mandela Washington Fellowship

06/2016 – 08/2016

#### Tasks/Achievements

- One of 1000 selected young African leaders out of 50 000 + applicants.
- Qualified to generate innovative and entrepreneurial ideas for companies and organizations.
- Applied Design Thinking and Business Model Generation practices on two student-projects.
- Certification included intensive class sessions from various Dartmouth entrepreneurs providing in-depth and focused case studies and student-projects.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Freelance Graphic Designer**

Zenufa Group of Companies

08/2015 – 08/2018

Kinshasa, DR (Congo)

#### *Achievements/Tasks*

- Designed and redesigned 25+ medicines and beverage packaging materials.
- Developed 50+ engaging visuals that raised the sales of pharmaceuticals and beverages by 20%.
- Contributed to the re-branding by producing a series of product and stock photography marketing the factories and their products.

## CERTIFICATES

Certificate of Business and Entrepreneurship at Dartmouth College. (2016)

## EDUCATION

### **Double B.A in Painting and Film Production**

Berea College/Berea - KY

08/2016 – 05/2020

3.82

### **Filmmaking**

New York Film Academy/LA - CA

05/2018 – 06/2018

4.0

## ORGANIZATIONS

Berea Innovation Studio (2016 – 2019)

University Innovation Fellows (2018 – 2020)

Mortar Board Honor Society (2019 – 2020)

## AWARDS

UFVF/Kodak Award Nomination (2020)

*UFVF/Kodak*

- Excellence Award for Cinematography with the short Film "Unfulfilled."

Rodney Kimbangu Achievement Award (2020)

*Berea College*

- Celebrate an outstanding level of achievement in film production.
- Honor Rodney's unprecedented contribution to the film program at Berea College.

Best Student Director for Unfulfilled (2020)

*Independent Short Award*

Best Fantasy Short for Unfulfilled (2020)

*Independent Short Award*

Honorable Mention for Unfulfilled (2020)

*New York Movie Awards*

Best Documentray Short for Lituka (2019)

*Independent Short Award*

Best Microfilm for Lituka (2019)

*Independent Short Award*

2nd Best Short Film of the Month for Lituka (2019)

*CKF International Film Festival*

Master Photographer (2019)

*Gurushots*

## LANGUAGES

English

*Full Professional Proficiency*

French

*Full Professional Proficiency*

Lingala

*Full Professional Proficiency*

Kikongo

*Elementary Proficiency*

Japanese

*Elementary Proficiency*

## INTERESTS

Creative Writing

Film Distribution