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COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES

**DURBAN INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL (DIFF) MANAGER
PEROMNES GRADE 8
ONE YEAR FIXED TERM APPOINTMENT
SCHOOL OF ARTS
HOWARD COLLEGE CAMPUS**

REFERENCE : SOA007/2025

The Centre for the Creative Arts within the School of Arts seeks to appoint a dynamic and energetic professional for an exciting opportunity of DIFF Manager.

The successful candidate will be required to curate, manage and administrate the Durban International Film Festival, a project of the Centre for Creative Arts and a trade-marked property of the University of KwaZulu-Natal. S/he will be responsible for the efficient execution of all logistical, technical, marketing and artistic operations of the Durban International Film Festival including liaison with film festival programmers, jury, filmmakers, distributors, regulating agencies & services providers. The incumbent will demonstrate a passionate interest in advancing emerging and historically marginalized film-makers and narratives through the festival's training and development projects including working collaboratively with the Centre for Creative Arts on film projects that support engagement with the Culture & Media Studies programme at the UKZN.

S/he will sustain a comprehensive understanding of the ever-evolving South African film industry as well as possess strong networks with film sector stakeholders in South Africa, the African continent and across leading global film festivals; and actively engage relevant role-players from the film sector. The incumbent will be expected to have oversight of strategic campaigns for audience development and work closely with the festival's marketing & communications professionals to develop and implement an impactful & outcomes-driven promotions campaign for the festival.

S/he will develop an annual operational budget for the festival and work collaboratively with the Centre's management team to conceptualize and draft funding proposals and reports to funders as well as maintain strong relations with funders and strategic partners. Diligently pay attention to detail and be able to work under pressure. The candidate will also be expected to work irregular hours during the days of the festival.

The successful candidate must be a team-player who subscribes to the values of the Centre for Creative Arts (<https://cca.ukzn.ac.za>) and be able to work collectively with the Centre's professional team and interns.

The incumbent will report to the Director for the Centre for Creative Arts.

Minimum Requirements:

- Matric plus a three-year relevant degree in film, media or cultural studies
- At least three years of experience in a cultural environment with at least two years in the film festival sector
- Proven experience in proposal writing, budgeting and reporting to stakeholders.
- Proven experience in film festival curation and event management

Enquiries and details regarding this post may be directed to Dr Ismail Mahomed, email MahomedI@ukzn.ac.za

The closing date for receipt of application is 12 September 2025.

The remuneration will be in line with fixed term monthly rates of pay.

Applicants are required to submit a Curriculum Vitae, together with the cover letter indicating their experiencing in meeting the stipulated minimum requirements to Mr Mandisi Kubheka, email KubhekaM@ukzn.ac.za

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