

## Fox Life kickstarts a year filled with female-driven and original African content

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## Slate of original, female-targetted productions set to inspire and delight viewers across the African continent



Cindy Kruger

March is International Women's Month, and to celebrate, Fox Life has announced new shows featuring inspiring and extraordinary leading ladies from across the continent. Starting with *Spirit*, the very first local production for Fox Life and a first for Fox Networks Group Africa local content production, hosted by psychic medium Cindy Kruger, the show is bound to be a tearjerker. Focusing on connecting the living to their guiding angels, *Spirit* will feature a mixture of celebrities from the across sub-Saharan Africa as well as ordinary people.

Premiering on 7 March (19:55 CAT), celebrities featured include, amongst others, Boity Thulo, Anita Erskine, Denrele Edun, Navy Kenzo, Kim Jayde, iFANI, Basketmouth and Rozanne McKenzie. The show will no doubt stun many viewers in revealing a side to these celebrated people not seen anywhere else. Levern Engel, director of content production for FNG Africa, says, "I am exceptionally thrilled and proud that our very first production is one that is fully representative of the channel's positioning, with a strong female anchor and that it tells stories of ordinary and celebrated people alike across sub-Saharan Africa. Cindy has an amazing ability to connect with people and the responsibility she takes on in delivering the messages she receives from her guiding angels without sensationalism is an amazing gift. We are gearing

up for a busy 2018 in terms of local content production, and what better way to start than a day shy of International Women's Month with a strong gifted woman bringing healing to many."

Fox Life will feature many more inspiring locally produced original African productions, showcasing the remarkable women across the continent, in coming months. First to premiere will be *Game Changers* on 16 May (19:10 CAT). The series tracks the journey to stardom of some of the most influential artists on the continent. Get to know these women with remarkable talent, who have achieved unprecedented success, through personal interviews, reality footage and interviews with experts and the public.

On 28 May, viewers can look forward to a double bill of African talent on Monday evenings with *Chick Chat Live* (19:10 CAT) followed by *Dentaa Africa* (19:55 CAT). *Chick Chat Live*, presented by popular Nigerian talk show host Cornelia O'Dwyer, will showcase the essence of the modern-day African woman, exploring the opinions of women from diverse backgrounds and age groups on a variety of issues facing African women today. *Dentaa Africa*, an uplifting, motivational docu-talkshow filmed across the continent with Ghana's mompreneur, actress and TV presenter, Dentaa Amoateng (MBE). She chats to well-known Ghanaian and pan-African guests, including an award-winning songstress, a real-estate mogul and one of the top five women in IT in Africa, over a home-cooked meal.

Catch even more female inspiration in *Today's Leading Women*, which will premiere on Fox Life on 9 July at 19:55 CAT. Hosted by the formidable Buchi Lenoir, a businesswoman from Lagos, this series will lift the lid on female empowerment, showcasing the secrets of success of some of Africa's most creative and industrious female entrepreneurs. Be inspired by the positive philosophies and remarkable leadership skills that led the likes of Munira Shonibare, Ifeoma Fafunwa and Joke Silva to ultimate triumph in business.

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