

## **Yours Truly – The POET**

“I believe I exist to try and change peoples’ perspective... At the core, I want people to be enlightened and inspired to be the best version of themselves.”

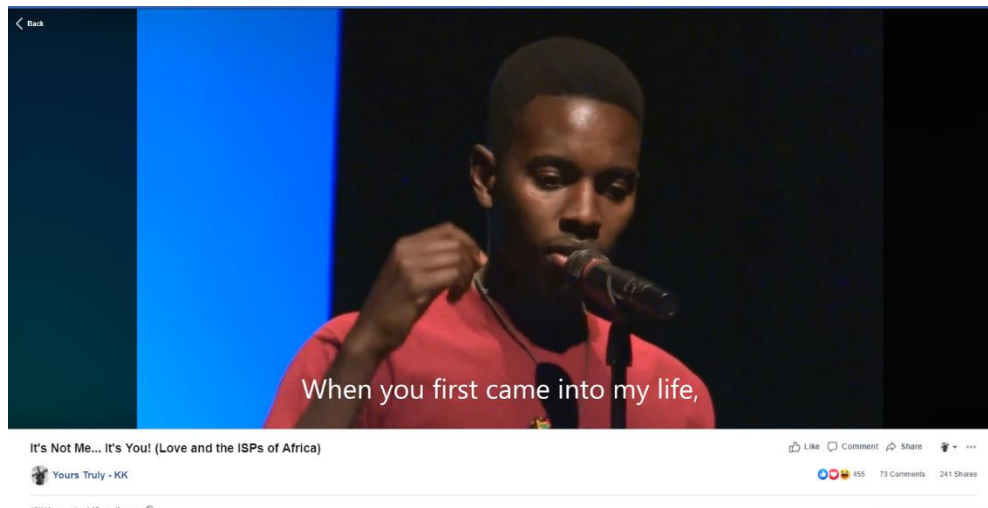
### **About Yours Truly**

“As a young boy, I felt a little different from people around me. I had dreams that were naïve and delusional—and I say that not because they were unattainable—but because people around me made me believe that they were.”

“Today, I find much of my work comes from a need to inspire and enlighten the ‘different’ little boy I once was. Trying to make him feel like his dreams are attainable, and that he doesn’t need to look down on himself because of where he’s grown up and the grandiosity of his dreams. I do this not only through art, but in everything I do.”

“I am a performance poet, an author, a speaker and an INSPIRER.”

### **Projects**

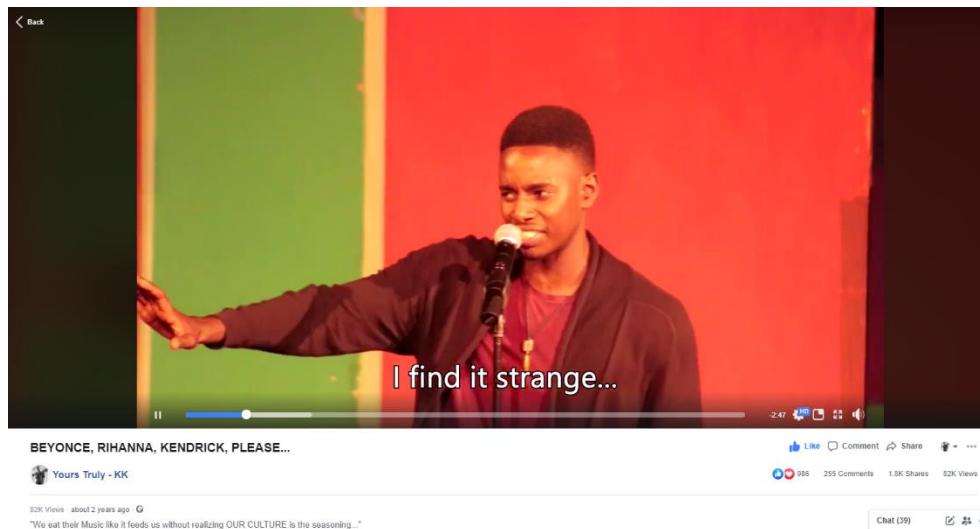


***The viral ‘ZUKU’ Poem***

***Performed @ Slam Africa Finals 2018, Kenya National Theatre***

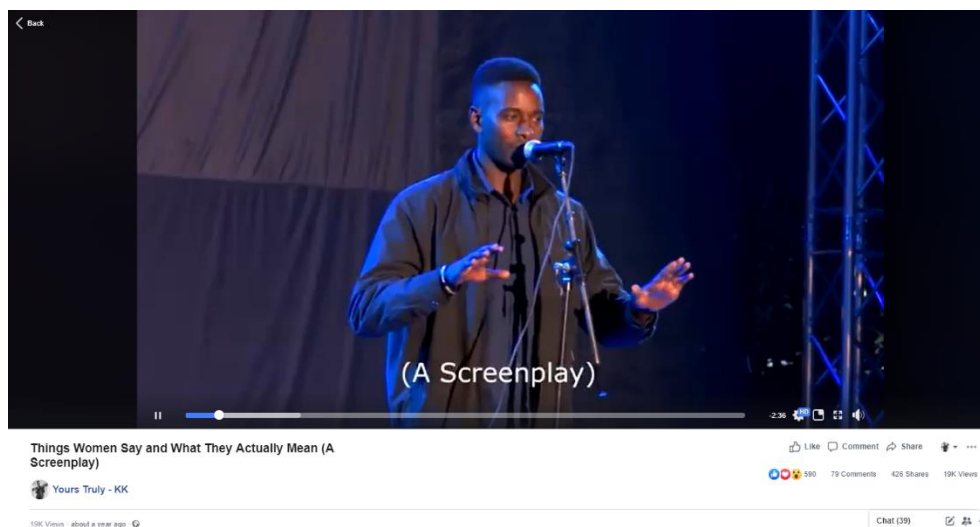
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***Beyoncé, Rihanna, Kendrick Please***  
***Performed @ Nairobi poetry Café, Alliance Francaise (2018)***

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***Things Women Say and What They Actually Mean***  
***Performed @ Nairobi poetry Café, Alliance Francaise 2018***

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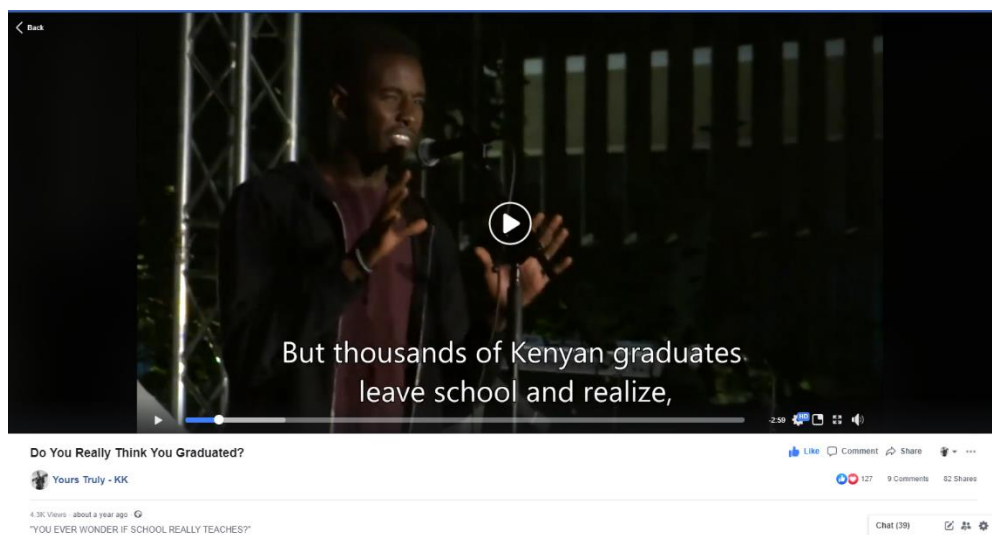


**'KFC'**

***Performed @ SLAM Africa Grand Slam 2017 @ Alliance Francaise***

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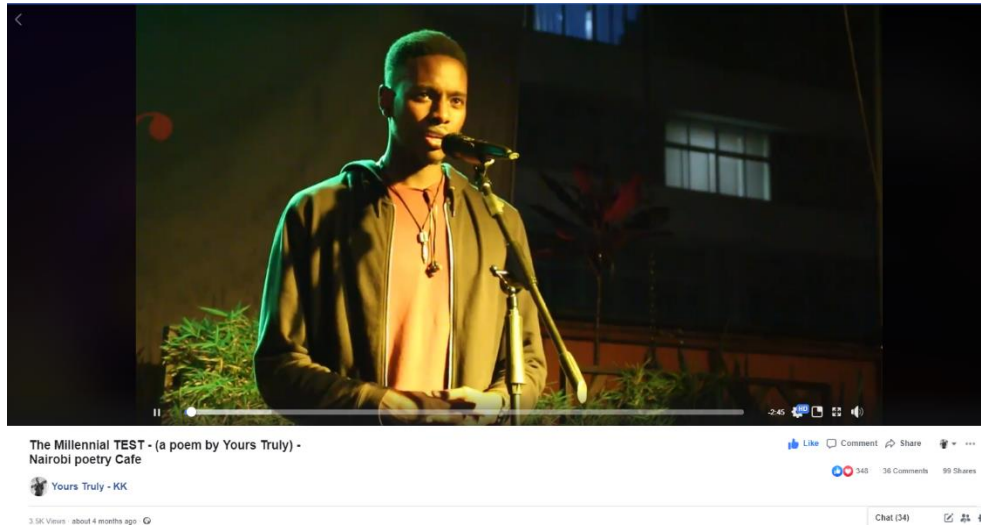


***Do You Really Think You Graduated?***

***Performed @ Nairobi poetry Café, Alliance Francaise 2019***

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***The MILLENNIAL TEST***

***Performed as a featured poet @ Nairobi poetry Café, Alliance Francaise***

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**AWARDS/Features**

- Vancouver Poetry Slam contestant (2016)
- FTW 300\$ Poetry Slam Kansas City Runner UP (2016)
- Kansas City Poetry Slam Runner-Up (2016)
- Slam Africa Grand Slam Runner Up (2017)
- Speaker TEDX Mombasa (2018)
- Slam Africa Grand Slam Champion (2018)
- Self-Published Author “TO CHASE A DREAM IN NAIROBI” (2019)
- Toronto Poetry Slam Winner (2020)
- Invitation to the Africa Cup of Slam Poetry (Nov 2020)

## Visuals









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