# OUR TEAM TAB

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The Coal Stove Team is made up of professionals who have vast experience in production, directing, screenwriting, editing, and post-production.

**FIDEL NAMISI**

**PRODUCER/WRITER**

Writer-Producer of acclaimed dance film "Hear Me Move" 2015 (nominated for 5 African Academy Awards & 2 SAFTAs) Fidel was one of Screen International's 2015 Global Top 40 Producers to Watch. He is the winner of two Writers Guild of South Africa awards and Best Screenplay - Kenyan International Film Award for his screenwriting, and is the co-founder of Coal Stove Pictures.

**SCOTTNES SMITH**

**PRODUCER/DIRECTOR**

Trained as director at Wits University in Johannesburg. Attended AFDA and spent a semester at the University of Arcada in Helsinki, Finland.Directed the critically acclaimed six-part documentary Why Are We So Angry (TV Series) and the movie to be lauded as Africa’s biggest dance film Hear ME Move.

**WANDILE MOLEBATSI**

**PRODUCER/ACTOR**

A seasoned actor, Wandile has appeared in several foreign co-productions which exposed him to the inner workings of a film crew. Since becoming co-founder of Coal Stove Pictures, Wandile has gained traction as a reputable producer**CLARE LOUIS**

**PRODUCER**

Having lived abroad for over 15 years, Clare returned to complete a Master's Degree in 3D Animation at Wits University in 2014. She’s now able to leverage those international networks to access various international markets.

**TRACY STUCKI**

**PRODUCER/WRITER**

Bachelors in Media Studies and English at the University of Basel in Switzerland. Holds a Masters Degree in 3D Animation from University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg -focusing on narrative in animation. With her interest in story, Tracy became an integral member of the team as a result of her sheer creativity and academic achievements.   
**NATASJA DE LANGE**

**PRODUCER**

Natasja’s BA Degree in Drama and Film Studies has fuelled an intense interest in creating and developing stories. After a few years abroad, teaching in Abu Dhabi and touring the East, she returned to complete her Honours Degree in Ancient Cultures and Languages before joining Coal Stove Pictures in 2015.

**SPHAMANDLA MADONDO**

**SCRIPT DEVELOPMENT EXECUTIVE**

Spha studied engineering, but soon discovered he had a passion for screenwriting and filmmaking. He went on to successfully complete an internship with Coal Stove Pictures and the NFVF SEDIBA screenwriting programme. Spha has recently joined Coal Stove Pictures as a script development executive.