

WHAT'S IN A NAME IF YOU CAN'T LIVE ITS PROMISE...

A FILM BY UDUAK ETUKUDO

ZUBAIDA

VICTORIA & DOROTHY COMPANY PRESENTS ZUBAIDA A FILM BY UDUAK ETUKUDO STARRING MEG OTANWA,
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33 MINUTES 5 SECONDS

SYNOPSIS

When married off against her will, a promising teenager goes against societal norms to live her dreams.

Years later in an interview, she narrates the surreal experiences of her life growing up in rural Northern Nigeria.

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

Imagine a society where women are sold off as commodities, or as bargaining chip to settle loans, or to rich merchants to boost family ties. I believe we all leave in such society whether in the first world or third world young girls are still being shipped into different forms of slavery or marriage all for material gain under the guise of ignorance, promise of a good life or religion.

This project reflects the society where I lived as a teenager and how young girls were not more than farmhands, maids, wives to people old enough to be their dads.

The story is purposely told from the point of victory to help victims all over the world know that there's a different life to what they know. To give them hope and show the larger communities how they can help these young women.



