

Among the attendees on 29 November 2014 was Ms Felling Yende, CEO of the FP&M SETA, who addressed the audience on the design as an essential link in the fibre processing and manufacturing sector which include fashion and design related industries such as clothing, textiles, footwear, leather, general goods, furniture, printing and packing.



Ms Yende stated that innovative design underpinned the ongoing sustainability and competitiveness of most of the fibre processing and manufacturing sub-sectors. It was an important aspect of new product development and the discovery of niche markets.

She said that the FP&M SETA believes that the South African design community plays an important role in identifying international developments, setting trends for the local market, raising the standards of local offerings in the fields of fashion and graphic design and contributing to new product development. It is therefore important for the design industry to constantly benchmark itself against international best practice and to invest in international research and development activities.

Studio 05 School of Fashion offers a variety of full time and part time short courses relevant to the individual and the business of Fashion Design and Clothing Manufacturing. Ranging from Fashion Buying and Merchandising, Fashion Styling, Pattern Construction, Garment Construction, Design Practical and Computer Aided Design, just to name a few. With competitive course pricing and flexible payment terms. Our lecturers have the expertise and knowledge in the course content. Studio 05 believes in nurturing their students and equipping them with the right tools to become fashion entrepreneurs. With modernized facilities situated in the vibrant fashion district of Rosebank Johannesburg, surrounded by trendy boutiques, restaurants, banking facilities and the Gautrain station.

Studio 05 celebrated its 11th year in 2014. Cecelia Mungofa, founder of the institution, first opened its doors in 2003 in the hope to contribute to skills development and economic and social growth in South Africa. Cecelia's knowledge and passion for Fashion Design and Clothing Manufacturing motivated her to fulfill her personal ambitions of establishing an educational and training institution in Fashion Design with the aim of developing and nurturing aspiring Fashion Designers in South Africa. Over the years Studio 05 School of Fashion has developed its curriculum to become more sustainable to the industry and the needs and wants of a young Fashion Designer to succeed in this ever-evolving industry. Studio 05 graduates have gone on to become fashion entrepreneurs and have established their own fashion brands. Studio 05 has also worked with various previously disadvantaged communities by equipping them with the necessary skills and tools for them to sustain themselves and the communities around them.

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