

In a career spanning 60 years, with memorable performances in numerous productions, from *Kunene and the King* to 2019 *The Lion King* remake, *Black Panther* and his role T'Chaka, and Colonel Ulunga in the Netflix film *Murder Mystery*.

[John Kani - Showreel - MLA SA](#) from [MLA SA](#) on [Vimeo](#).

He has received great acclaim for his work in theatre, film, and television including the Lifetime Achievement Award by the South African Film and Television Awards, an honorary doctorate by the University of Cape Town (2016) and the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University appointed him an honorary Doctor of Philosophy in 2013.

He is the first name to be admitted into the Primedia Hall of Fame this year.

He also received the Order of Ikhamanga Silver for his contributions to the theatre during the struggle for a non-racial, non-sexist, and democratic South Africa.

“ Dr John Bonisile Kani has made an immeasurable mark in theatre locally and abroad. You are a South African treasure and titan [@KANI_ELDER](#). Congratulations on your latest acclaim [@SportArtsCultur](#) [@MarketTheatre](#) [@TheRSC](#) [@ukinsouthafrica](#) [@BaxterTheatre](#) [@AtandwaKani](#) [@RosieMotene](#) pic.twitter.com/5dVgyLCMR3— Minister of Sport, Arts & Culture ([@zizikodwa](#)) [November 8, 2023](#) ”

The Department of Sport, Arts and Culture Minister, Zizi Kodwa congratulated him.

“I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Dr John Bonisile Kani for being made an honorary Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire. This latest acclaim is a testament to the immeasurable legacy Kani has made to theatre around the world.”

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