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## The Woman King Storms Theatres

Filmed in Cape Town and Kwazulu-Natal, the tale of the strength, bravery and exploits of an all women regiment known as the Agojie warriors from the Dahomey Kingdom in 1823 is told.

The upcoming film – The Woman King will make its premiere at Toronto International Film Festival. The Woman King movie depicts the African woman as powerful and strong warriors, a feeling that can be translated to any walk of life and not just gatherers and caretakers as they are often depicted in movies such as these. It is one of the few movies set in pre-colonial times that depicts Africans in a positive light.

The goal of this movie is to empower African women by shedding light on untold stories of exemplary courage, intellect, and bravery. It is about confronting and overcoming trauma, it sheds light on the roles of some Africans in enslavement – a lesson to be learnt.

The film features prominent actors- Viola Davis as the General who trains the next generation of warriors and other stars; Thuso Mbedu, Lashana Lynch, Sheila Atim, Hero Fiennes Tiffin and John Boyega.

The film will be premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival on September 9, 2022, and released in theatres on September 16, 2022, by Sony Pictures.

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