

# *Yemisi A. Ikuomola - Bio*

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Yemisi Ikuomola is the **Program Director, Strategic Imperatives**, at **The G57**. Her portfolio includes program management, enterprise & talent development and strategic partnerships.

Author, freelance writer, resourceful nonprofit, fundraising, strategy and meeting consultant, Yemisi has a multi-disciplinary track record in administration, hospitality, development work, advertising, training, project and meeting management, spanning three (3) decades.

Her previous assignments include: Director of Projects/CEO at Panache Meets Services & Logistics Ltd. (a meeting management outfit); Head, Creative Writing at Camarade, The Storyteller (a media & literary enterprise); Chief Executive Officer at **Teach for Nigeria**, a social innovation programme; Chief Executive Officer at **Joint Christian Cemetery Company Ltd/Gte (JCCC)**, a faith-based social enterprise focused on building and maintaining of memorial parks; and Executive Secretary at **Women in Management, Business and Public Sector (WIMBIZ)**, a nonprofit, nongovernmental organisation. She has also worked in various capacities, gaining experience in marketing, business and service strategy, training and management consultancy (**Tom Associates - Training & Management Consultants**); nonprofit - adolescent reproductive health (**Action Health Inc.**); advertising (**Ideas Communications and Advertising Techniques Ltd**); hospitality (**Sheraton Lagos Hotel & Towers**); and administration (**West African Portland Cement Company Plc.**, - now Lafarge - **Sagamu Works**).

A 1988 graduate of the **University of Lagos** with a **Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science**, Yemisi has also participated in nonprofit executive education programmes at the Centre for Social Innovation at Stanford Graduate School of Business, Harvard Business School, Harvard University and the HARVARD Kennedy School (John F. Kennedy School of Government), and Continuing Fundraising Education (preparatory to CFRE - Certified Fund Raising Executive accreditation) at the Foundation Centre, New York.

**Volunteer Experience:** Volunteer, Joint Christian Cemetery Company Ltd/Gte; Volunteer and Mentor, Women Mentoring Women Programme at Idea Builders Initiative; Volunteer Lead Facilitator, Safe School Parents' Watch Initiative at School Run Consulting (Lagos State School Safety Project).

**Specialties/Interests:** Writing & editing; Nonprofit startups, strategy, structures & management; Fundraising, Grant-making; Social entrepreneurship & impact; Business Social Performance; Volunteering; Coaching; Mentoring; Training and Meeting management.

**Pastimes:** Reading, Writing, Acting, Dancing, Traveling, Camerawork.