

CLAIM YOUR CAPTAINCY

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Inspiration Through Self-belief

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About

Ten years ago, at a pivotal moment in my journey, I stood at the intersection of despair and destiny, feeling the weight of the world's expectations as headlines went viral: "Meet Africa's first Female Dredge Master". Faced with the pressure to have life neatly figured out, I found myself swallowed in the noise, struggling to discover my true identity under the public spotlight and numerous recognitions. But let me tell you something, you can never out-pose your true calling, it relentlessly pursues you and it always wins. So instead, I leaned into my passions: storytelling, art, and empowering others.

In that shift, I discovered liberation to chart a course away from my career as an Unlimited Ship Navigator of over 50,000 Gross Tonnage vessels and emerge as a now globally recognized speaker, conscious business leader, and present mentor. I found joy, I found myself, and I can assure you that purpose really does pay well. Today, I stand not by titles and accolades, but by my commitment to helping others Claim Their Captaincy.

Services

To realize my vision, I strive to continually add value by collaborating with other organizations, corporations, and brands that align with my values. These collaboration opportunities include:



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Come aboard for a transformative journey where I share captivating stories of my life from ship to shore. My aim is always to enlighten and entertain while imparting invaluable wisdom that aligns with my client's goals.

- Resilience & Reinvention
- Culture and Diversity
- Disruption and Innovation
- Leadership
- Growth Mindset
- Change Management
- Emotional Intelligence (EQ)
- Mental Health and Wellness

What Clients Say

Gareth Beaver - CEO: Santam Specialist Solutions

“It was a real honor & privilege to hear your personal story and you shared it in such an inspiring, authentic, and humbling way!”

Unilever Africa Digital Marketing, Media & Commerce Hub

“Your presence served as a beacon of inspiration, and your words continue to guide us like a lighthouse in our journey towards authentic leadership”

Liberty Group

“Londy was with us on the day as our speaker and she superseded our expectations! She blew the audience away with her captivating demeanor and grand personality. Her story is absolutely inspiring and ignited a fire in all of us.”

“I chose not to be Rose on the Titanic, I chose to Captain the Titanic” - LONDY NGCOBO

RECOGNITIONS



- **Forbes Africa**
Powerhouses Over 30Under50 list
- **Women In Leadership Awards**
Winner Young Achiever
- **Port Authority Chief Executive Awards**
International Standards
- **Black Excellence Awards**
Best Woman In Scarce Skills
- **Standard Bank SA Rising Stars Awards**
Semi-finalist
- **Veuve Clicquot Bold Woman Awards**
Overall Winner (Future Bold Woman)
- **100 Most Influential People**
Official List 100 Most Influential South Africans
- **Women In transport (Leadership category)**
Overall Winner
- **Walk Of Fame Monument - Maritime Pioneers**
Transnet National Ports Authority
- **Forbes Leading Women Awards**
Sportlight Recognition
- **Top 30 under 40 Most Influential Younger Women In Africa - Recognition**
- **44 Young Leaders Book Feature**
In commemoration of 44 years since 1976
- **Wall of Fame Monument**
Alumni - Durban University of Technology

"Above all accolades is your ability to multiply"
- Capt. Londy

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Partnerships





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