Other kanthari graduates:

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Kidnapped by rebels as a teenager, Samuel Odwar was forced to kill a disabled woman. He refused the order and was extremely fortunate to escape. But the incident haunted him. From then on, he campaigned for non-violent education, became a special educator and founded Thumbs Up Academy Uganda, an institution for children with and without disabilities.

Precious Kiwiti was well-known in the city. She had married into one of the most influential families, ran a kindergarten, a successful restaurant and a popular catering service. But hardly anyone suspected what was hidden behind the radiant façade. In her marriage, Precious survived severe abuse. This led her to start Precious Hearts Haven, an organization that restores hope, resilience and dignity for women affected by violence in Zimbabwe.

Children of Indian farmers suffer from their parents' over-indebtedness, which often ends in the suicide of their father. The once highly praised profession of farmer is losing value among many young people. Siddhesh Sakore emerged stronger after dealing with the family trauma. He now advocates a contrary trend. His organisation, Agro Rangers, presents organic farming as an enticing alternative. In his region, agriculture now stands for a new entrepreneurial spirit and sustainable form of livelhood.



Your support is the cornerstone of kanthari's impact, enabling us to invest in transformative social organisations that uplift individuals on the margins of society.

Together we can create lasting impact.

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

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DONATE:

With your donation you support the training of our committed participants. Your donation will have an impact for many years and reach countless people in need around the globe.

www.kanthari.org/

VOLUNTEER:

As a volunteer Catalyst or Mentor, you can share your expertise and passion to bolster our graduates. Your support is invaluable in shaping the future of social change.

SPREAD THE WORD:

Spread the word so the scholarship opportunity reaches those change makers who can benefit from the kanthari training.



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RIEKO – AN INITIATIVE BORN AT kanthari

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Packed with shovels and vegetable seedlings, Rieko's dedicated children set off visiting an old widow who is insulted and beaten up by her drunk son daily. The son believes that his mum is a witch. They find the 80-year-old sitting in her mud hut. She doesn't seem to want to move anymore. But when the children start to plant a vegetable patch for mother and son, she unexpectedly comes to life and participates in the endeavor. When the son comes home, he is surprised and thanks the Rieko children.

On that fateful day, a man who suffered from epilepsy goes missing, only to be discovered lifeless in a well by Rieko children. Once more, the gossip circulates that the community is cursed and infested with witches.

This is where the organization Rieko (wisdom) becomes important. Founded by Eltrud Okeyo, Rieko fights against superstition and advocates for the welfare and integration of senior citizens in Kenya. Eltrud is a kanthari graduate.

EMBRACING THE HUMAN SPIRIT:

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At kanthari, we believe in individuals who carry a burning desire to create a positive impact in their communities. They have a passion to address social or environmental problems and the strength to be forces of good instead of being victims of circumstance.

A small chili can make a HUGE difference!

kanthari CHILI

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kanthari is also the name of a chili that grows wild in Kerala, India. Once it has taken root, it can survive droughts and floods. It is small, seems harmless, but is extremely spicy and healthy. Therefore, for us, it is the perfect namesake for those who feel the fire of getting involved in social justice, peace building and sustainable development.

kanthari Curriculum -A JOURNEY IN FIVE ACTS

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Our 12-month scholarship-based program, equips participants with the skills needed to launch





impactful organisations. The course is experiential, learning by doing and covers topics like a.o. project planning, management, fundraising, change leadership, media and public speaking, communication, accounting, overcoming barriers to change.

WHO CAN APPLY?

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Every year, kanthari trains 20 to 25 changemakers who address issues in fields of sustainable development, social change, poverty alleviation, peacebuilding, health, disability or alternative learning. What is important is that they carry a plan to address a social or environmental issue. Minimum age is 22, no upper limit, and basic English and computer skills are required.





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