Elana-Marie Snyman

Première Theatre Festival – South Africa



Elana-Marie graduated from Stellenbosch University's Drama Department in 2006. She specialized in stage management and design. She has worked on numerous professional productions – both in South Africa and internationally. After years working in the professional industry, Elana decided to share her knowledge and expertise with the youth. She began lecturing at Stellenbosch University in 2016 and currently teaches design, stage management, prop-making, and production management at undergraduate and postgraduate level. She still works in professional theatre in her capacity as designer and stage manager.

In 2018, she and André Gerber founded the Première Theatre Festival to serve the budding theatre-making community of the university. She enjoys seeing students develop and grow as artists in an environment that is stimulating, exciting, enriching, and inspiring.