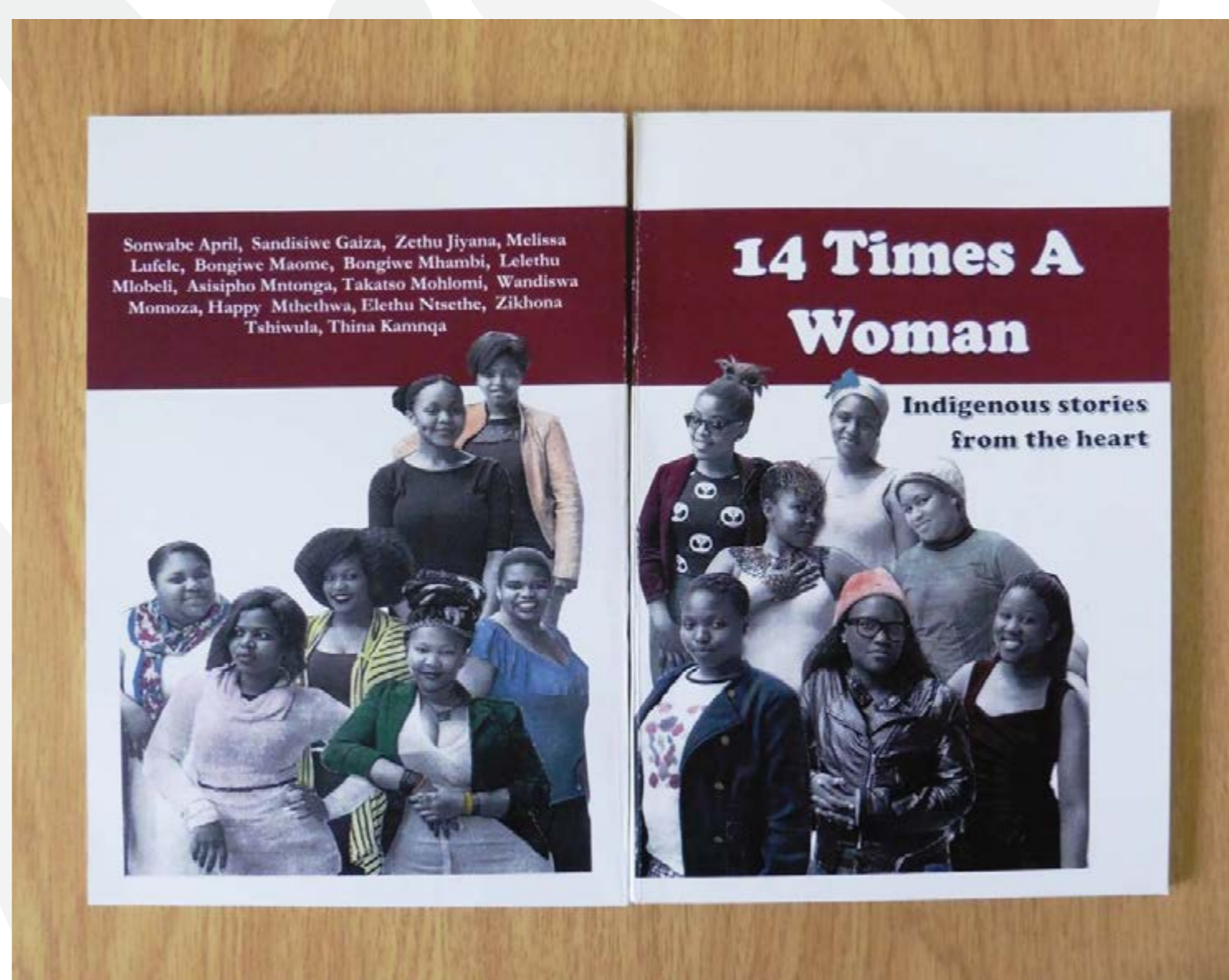


Girls Leading Change

Port Elizabeth, South Africa

Nelson Mandela University

In 2013 the project, Digital media for change and well-being: Girl-led 'from the ground up' policy-making in addressing sexual violence in South Africa, was initiated to begin working with a group of first year education students who came from rural areas, to explore sexual violence. The open invitation brought 14 young women together to explore their feeling safe at university – an issue of concern to universities in South Africa, but also to universities worldwide. They have since worked together, presenting their findings to elicit dialogue with various policy makers within the faculty and university, but also at a variety of local and international forums. Their engagement in the project has enabled them to take up their agency – individually and collectively - in speaking out against injustices in various spaces.



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| Sexual harassment | My body, your toy? | Safety in our home away from home |
| Who could one trust? | No such luck! | We need to feel protected and safe in our residences |
| Unsafe | My right to privacy your responsibility to respect it | Date Rape |
| In my space | Male visitors to women's residences compromise the privacy of women students by using their bathrooms | It is still rape! Report it! |

