

"A journey of 1000 miles begins with one step" **Check out our exciting first steps in this Update.**

2023 has been a year of pleasant surprises and colorful affirmations for the Audacious Creators (Audacious Africa). In May, we received a wonderful gift from a generous partner that enabled us step up and expand our work in different fulfilling, exciting and challenging ways. This journey affirmed our mission just as much as it fueled the AUDACIOUS Creators Team to roll up the sleeves knowing that many things are possible when we stay true to the call and visions of our lives.

That generous gift has enabled a number of many firsts, we have taken heartwarming baby steps.

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The Audacious Creators vision is about stewardship of African foods and seeds. It is about sisterhood, community and well-being. It is about women and local communities, their passion, determination, resilience as keepers of treasure. The treasure in indigenous foods and seeds, healthy and equitable food systems for the health of communities, the security that comes with knowing households will have foods on their tables and not just any food but healthy, nutritious and diverse foods. May and June, our first community of Food Sheros was established in Nwoya district. The conversations, the songs, experiences shared and the wisdom that flowed from each of the 100 women present will always be in our hearts. We are thankful. Those soulful conversations affirmed the fact that Ugandans and African women hold vast knowledge and so much is yet to be seen, heard told and shared. Audacious Africa believes in tapping deep into those deep connections, experiences and knowledge to build a just food system together. The community comprised 3 men, women living with disabilities, young women, and those above their 60s and girls.

Here is the link for a more detailed report:

https://audacious.africa/assets/our_work/Community-Food-Sheroes-LAUNCH.pdf

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We refurbished our website in a way that allows us to tell the story. We are committed to utilizing different platforms to celebrate, acknowledge and cast spotlights on our food Sheroes. We will sing their songs/ our song and amplify just how much African women and communities shoulders families and communities well-being.

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Started the process of video documenting Uganda's food sheroes. It is often said "until the hyena tells her story, the Lion will always be the hero". Audacious Creators is keen on promoting unique stories of bravery of women (small scale food growers) who unknown to them are upholding the health, wellness and well-being of individuals, families and communities simply through their service of tilling the ground to grow food.

We are thankful and believe that the best days for Audacious Creators are unfolding one day at a time!

The women we met recommended a number of things and ways to keep this fire ablaze. We are hopeful that with the support of many such great partners, this is but the beginning of more victories.

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