Nyawuda Chuol

Nyawuda Chuol is the eldest child of six children. In 1996, when she was just six years old, she lost her father to the South Sudanese war. Her mother escaped with the other children and Nyawuda was lost, so her aunt took her in raised her. In 2004, Nyawuda and her aunt relocated to Melbourne, Australia and in 2007 Nyawuda discovered the story that would forever change her world. The woman she always thought was her mother was actually her aunt - her birth mother was in Kenya, residing in a Kakuma refugee camp. Armed with this new information, Nyawuda was determined to meet her mother. DNA testing confirmed the truth and she was able to reach out to the Australian government. A visa was arranged and within a year her birth mother arrived in Australia, reuniting with her long lost daughter.

Nyawuda graduated high school in Australia in 2009 and went on to university the following year to study medicine while pursuing acting on the side. In 2012 she realized medicine was not her true calling. She packed her bags and headed for acting school on the Gold Coast. Nyawuda graduated from a two year intensive acting program at the New York Film Academy, Australia with a 3 week scholarship at the New York Film Academy Los Angeles. After learning an incredible amount about herself and honing her acting craft, she is now committed to pursuing her dreams of a successful acting career