AGUM MANUELLA OKELLO ELIZABETH

Student · Writer · Researcher · Youth Advocate · Artist

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PROFILE

Student, writer, researcher and youth advocate with experience across youth leadership, disability and neurodiversity inclusion, education, research, diplomacy, writing and creative arts. Founder and President of Shared Ground Uganda, with additional leadership and research experience across youth-led organizations, publications, advocacy initiatives and international youth engagement.

Interested in international relations, human rights, inclusive education, youth participation, psychology, philosophy, diplomacy, literature, culture and the intersection between research and practical social impact.

EDUCATION

Caplora STEM International School — Year 11, Cambridge International Curriculum

Current subjects: Environmental Management, History, English, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics.

LEADERSHIP & ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder & President — Shared Ground Uganda

Student/youth-led organization focused on disability and neurodiversity inclusion through education, research, advocacy, practical tools, educator development and community engagement. Key initiatives include NeuroKits, Beyond the Compulsion, The Climate We Share, inclusive education research and educator development.

Head of Volunteers — Brave Voices

Leadership role supporting volunteer coordination within a youth-led organization focused on anti-bullying and education.

Founder — Mstari Global Magazine

Founded and leads a youth-oriented publication focused on writing, ideas and global perspectives.

Co-Founder — [Organization Name]

Organization details and responsibilities to be added.

Girl Up Club Leader

Youth leadership and community engagement role.

RESEARCH & POLICY ENGAGEMENT

Researcher — GILTE

Research role involving youth-focused research and intellectual engagement.

Youth Ambassador & Researcher — Quillix

Youth advocacy and research engagement.

UN AI Governance Panelist

Youth participation in discussions surrounding artificial intelligence governance and policy.

National Curriculum Development Centre — Research & Presentation

Contributed a neurodivergent perspective to discussions surrounding implementation of the Competency-Based Curriculum. Presented “Beyond Access: Building an Inclusive Education System for Africa’s Future Workforce.”

WRITING & PUBLICATION

Writer — Youth Diplomatic Consortium

Writing and youth-focused perspectives relating to diplomacy, international affairs and youth participation.

Writer — Silfra Collective

Writer contributing to a youth-oriented creative and intellectual platform.

Founder & Editor-in-Chief — Mstari Global Magazine

Editorial leadership and publication development.

Independent Writer & Researcher

Independent writing across philosophy, theology, psychology, human rights, education, youth, culture, literature and society.

Selected Paper — The Mental Life of Christ: Jesus, Psychological Suffering, and the Humanity of God

November 2026. An interdisciplinary paper examining Jesus' psychological interiority through Gospel narratives, theological anthropology, philosophy and contemporary theological psychology.

ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY PROJECTS

NeuroKits — Shared Ground Uganda

Practical inclusion initiative supporting disability and neurodiversity awareness and accessibility.

Beyond the Compulsion

Awareness campaign addressing OCD and challenging misconceptions surrounding obsessive-compulsive experiences.

The Climate We Share

Youth climate initiative developed through collaboration with EcoVoices, exploring climate justice, inequality, climate literacy, youth participation, Africa and the Global South.

Inclusive Education Advocacy

Research and advocacy focused on creating education systems that respond to disabled and neurodivergent learners.

YOUTH & INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT

U-Reporter · Youth Ambassador — Quillix · UN AI Governance Panelist · Youth Diplomatic Consortium Writer · Girl Up Club Leader

SPEAKING & CONFERENCES

Selected engagement includes National Curriculum Development Centre research/presentation work; "Beyond Access: Building an Inclusive Education System for Africa's Future Workforce"; UN AI governance engagement; and youth diplomacy, policy and international affairs discussions. Additional events can be added as they occur.

CREATIVE PRACTICE

Poet · Writer · Visual artist · Prima ballerina · Creative researcher · Film and literature enthusiast

AREAS OF INTEREST

International Relations · Human Rights · Diplomacy · Inclusive Education · Disability & Neurodiversity Inclusion · Youth Participation · Psychology · Philosophy · Theology · Sociology · History · Literature · AI Governance · Culture · Creative Arts

LANGUAGES

Arabic — Native | English — Fluent | German — B1

SELECTED SKILLS

Research · Academic & Analytical Writing · Creative Writing · Public Speaking · Youth Advocacy · Project Development · Volunteer Coordination · Community Engagement · Policy & Social Research · Editorial Leadership · Campaign Development · Advocacy Communications · Interdisciplinary Research · Leadership · Collaboration

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