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ABOUT ME

I was raised in **Rome**, in the multiethnic neighbourhood called Torpignattara. My mum is from Bologna, my father is an AfroBrazilian. I am a consultant in **Diversity Management** and inclusion with a special focus on **antiracism**, environmental justice and intersectionality, I am also co-founder and President of the cultural Association **QuestaèRoma**, created in 2013 by a group of young italians of color with the aim to erase any form of discrimination through culture and art.

In 2021 I have joined the Advisory Board of **Union of Justice**, a european organization founded by Magic Magid focused on racial justice intersecting climate justice.

I hold a bachelor degree in political science and international relations at Roma Tre University, and I am currently completing a Master in management of cultural diversity at Tilburg University in the Netherlands.

Recently, I have been teaching about **Black Italy** at the previous three editions of the Black Europe Summer School in Amsterdam, with doc Camilla Hawthorne and Angelica Pesarini, and I am collaborating with several Universities and Insitutions to bring a multiethnic perspective on **Italian contemporary society**.

FEATURING

"Black Lives Matter - Italy", 60min
VICE News Documentary, 2021



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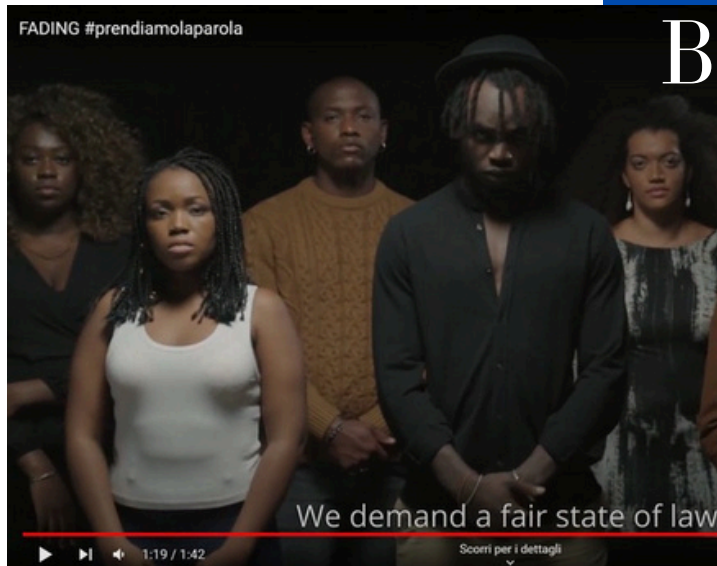
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BLACK ITALY - USA TOUR

Kwanza Musi Dos Santos, activist



BLACK IDENTITY

What does it mean to be Black in Italy? The law for Italian citizenship remains a central struggle, after more than 30 years of campaigns and appeals. However, many organizations and collectives have been trying to change the narrative and challenge whiteness as the authentic Italian identity.



BLACK POLITICS

"Black Lives Matter" in Italy goes also through political representation. During the last elections in September 2022, the political scenario confirmed the rise of extreme right-wing parties and very few candidates of color. However, significant victories were accomplished by militants of civil society.



BLACK ROME

Rome is mostly known as the capital of the Roman Empire. However, it was also the capital of the Italian Colonial Empire between 1889 and 1941. Many markers, monuments and streets dedicated to figures from the colonial armies are still present and visible in the city today, but there is systemic amnesia of the violence that was inflicted during those years, that still affects black and foreign bodies.