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### **Nympho Naomi (Miles' sadistic new lover!)**

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Ooh, she's a nasty bit of work is our Naomi, former business journalist, soon to be appointed Artiste & Repertoire manager for Hustle.

Naomi has a sly eye on Miles Vilakazi (Peter Se-Puma), the co-owner of this relatively new record company. Our slut of a sociopath with a past - we don't wish to hurl slurs but she deserves them - will trick her way into being hired so she can make her move on Miles.

She will claim to be frantically frustrated, sexually, and will therefore demand numerous snatched and steamy sessions of spontaneous healing from our soon to be crazed-with-desire main man.

This all-devouring woman is seductive and sharp. She is devious. She is cruel. She has no soul. So it's perfectly OK to describe Naomi as one sick chick...David Genero (Jamie Bartlett), head of Redemption Records and Hustle's main competitor, does...with absolute admiration and awe in his voice.

Greedy Naomi (Moshidi Motshegwa) used to work for Redemption Records many years ago. This, before the esteemed business was stolen from the Vilakazi family by vile rival, David. She will return to yank Hustle into the big league. Naturally, this will trigger David's interest – and alarm. Miles' ex-wife, Lu (KB Motsilanyane), will, upon meeting Naomi, do what she does best... fret a lot.

Naomi has a husband who is physically paralysed. He used to be a former lecturer at a university business school. He also used to be pretty athletic. Naomi has been married to him for eight years, six of which, she alleges, have been sexually barren. She has "looked after" poor, tortured Dan (Lionel Newton) with the help of a series of ill-tempered professional minders. *How this man is cared for will prove to be a shock horror of a story.*

Naomi is Moshidi's first major South African TV soapie role.

The actress had a leading part as Denzela Ledwaba in the police drama series, Zero Tolerance, and played Florence Nxumalo in the 2004 movie, Drum, starring Taye Diggs.

Other SA TV shows in which she has acted, include: Generations; Justice For All; Behind The Badge; SOS; Hillside; The Lab; Jozi H. She also guest appeared in a 2003 episode of the American medical drama series, ER. Moshidi portrayed Nelson Mandela's daughter, Zinzi, in the 1997 made-for-TV movie, Mandela and De Klerk, and had a support role in the BBC/HBO production of No 1 Ladies Detective Agency.

A Virgo, Moshidi was one of the contestant panelists on last year's TV game show, Where Were You? and has been one of the judges for the reality competition talent search, So You Think You're Funny?, since November 2008. She helps comedian David Kau find South Africa's top unsigned comedic geniuses.

She says her dream role would be one that challenges her to dig deeper within the psychology of a human being. Ah, enter not so nice Naomi.

**Lionel** has acted in over 30 plays for which he has won several awards. He has also starred in several movies including Les Blair's feature for Channel 4, Jump The Gun, for which he won the All African M-Net Award for Best Actor.

Over the past ten years he and Andrew Buckland have collaborated on four projects, all of which have been very highly acclaimed. Their most recent success, *The Well Being*, was a sell-out season in London.

On stage, Lionel has most recently been seen in the part of Estragon in Samuel Beckett's *Waiting For Godot*, for which he won a Vita Award for Best Actor.

On television, Lionel is presently a notorious serial killer in *Isidingo*, and also features in the series, *Soul Buddies*. In his most recent television work, Lionel, played a three dimensional stereotype of himself in *Sorted*, a comedy series directed by Craig Freemont.

The actor says he loves showing off his cooking skills; that theatre is his passion; he'd like to write a novel; his professional role model is Charlie Chaplin; his guiltiest pleasure, in order to amuse himself, is to watch his fellow human beings do crazy things; the four things he would miss if he were marooned on a desert island would be: good coffee, sleeping tablets, toilet paper, and motorbikes.

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