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**A-LIST NOLLYWOOD ACTRESS STEPHANIE OKEREKE RECEIVES AN HONOR AT THE 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL AFRICAN GOODWILL AWARDS AT THE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMPLEX IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**Los Angeles, CA May 11, 2009** — Nollywood Actress Stephanie Okereke was honored with an Award Jewel Award on Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> at the 6th Annual African Goodwill Awards for her positive representation of African women through her charity work and her evolving movie career. The event was attended by celebrities including the legendary singer Chaka Khan, Actor Isaiah Washington, Comedian & Actress M'onique, Iconic soloist Hope Foye, Apostle Federick Price and and Dr. Deborah Hyde.

Stephanie Okereke came into the Nollywood scene in 1997 as a student at the University of Calabar. After graduating, her thirst for an acting career propelled her into Nollywood fulltime. Stephanie made her mark with the movie *Emotional Crack* which premiered at the African Film festival in April 2004. With Over 30 films to her name, Stephanie Okereke is building her brand in the movie industry. A recent graduate of the New York Film Academy Stephanie has expanded her title to include Director and producer with the introduction of her latest movie: ***Through the Glass*** which premiered at the Silver Screen Theatre of the Pacific Design Centre on October 18<sup>th</sup> 2008 in Hollywood, California. Stephanie is setting her goals to include Hollywood.

*"...It's a good thing Stephanie continues to brand herself nationally and internationally and that her work is being recognized. All of her hard efforts will continue to pay off if she continues the intensity and momentum."*- Uduak Oduok- Editor in Chief/Publisher Ladybrille.com

The African Goodwill Awards ceremony celebrates the greatest quality of mankind -the inherent human spirit of giving. The event showcases the challenges and accomplishments of these men and women whose commitment in great measure have given hope to the poor in Africa, the Caribbean and in American inner cities.

The event also celebrates achievements in community service.

Stephanie's International recognition is only the beginning of her goals for her brand, her passions and her country. For more information on Stephanie Okereke please visit [www.stephanieokereke.com](http://www.stephanieokereke.com)

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