

# ABA ARTHUR



## Actor • Artist • Speaker • Cultural Storyteller

Aba Arthur is an actor and multidisciplinary artist whose work explores identity, belonging, and resilience at the intersection of art, race, and lived experience. A University of Colorado Boulder alum, Aba speaks candidly about navigating creative life within institutions and industries not designed with her in mind. Her work reflects the discipline, faith, and community required to sustain an artistic calling.

Drawing from her journey as a working performer, including being featured in Marvel Studios' *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* and Warner Bros.' *The Color Purple*, Aba's talks blend storytelling with reflection and practical insight. She speaks to students, artists, and emerging leaders about motivation beyond validation, the importance of self-authorship, and community as both refuge and catalyst.

Aba has been invited to speak across universities, cultural spaces, and youth-centered programs. In 2026, she was a featured panel speaker at the Sundance Film Festival, participating in the Women Building the Future of Film panel. Across every space she enters, Aba brings presence, insight, and a deep respect for the power of lived experience.



## SELECTED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Sundance Film Festival 2026 – Women Building the Future of Film | Featured Panelist
- Colorado College – Black History Month Program | Keynote Speaker
- CU Boulder – ABC Art Buffs Collective | Opening Keynote Speaker
- CU Boulder – CAAAS Center for African & African American Studies | Featured Speaker
- CU Boulder – Theater Department | Masterclasses for Theater Students
- Alcovy High School – Featured Assembly Speaker
- Greenhouse Scholars – Skills Modules

## SIGNATURE SPEAKING TOPICS

- Navigating Creative Life & Sustaining Motivation Beyond Validation
- Art, Discipline, and the Long Arc of Becoming
- Community as Survival in the Arts
- The Burden And Blessing Of Wearing Multiple Identities

## Global Positions

- Ambassador of The Diaspora- Ghana's National Film Festival: Black Star International Film Festival (BSIFF)
- Vice Chair - The University of Colorado at Boulder: Dean's Advisory Board
- Creative Director- Cinema Unbound Collective: Supplemental Programming for the Colorado Sundance Film Festival

## Ideal Audiences

Universities, Arts Institutions, Cultural Organizations, Student Programs ~ Leadership Spaces Seeking Grounded, Honest Conversations About Creativity, Identity, And Purpose

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