**EXPERIENCE AT THE GOOGLE FOR STARTUPS EVENT**

Having a one on one session with some of the members from the Google for startups team was phenomenal. Getting to hear from experts was a great deal for us as students. We were able to interact with a few and it was awesome despite the fact that time was limited. The one on one session was very lively and interactive in that we, the students, allowed our curiosity come to live by being inquisitive.

The session was characterized by students asking lots of question most especially on entrepreneurship, what is in the market field for those with skills, the most important aspects for one to be a successful entrepreneur and many more. We also received pieces of advice from the Google for startups crew on how to go about with our ideas and striving towards putting our ideas into reality by acting on them and keeping notes of each and every idea that we think of.

The most important take away for me was, it’s never too late to start working on an idea and allowing yourself to visualize your dreams, ambitions and goals. I also decided to interview a few of my classmates on what their take away were and these are some of their responses “Africa has a lot of potential that we need to make good use of.” Rose Wanjiku, “With encouragement, women can be whoever they want to be and they can do massive things.” Tina Nanzala, “If you want to make a change in the world it all starts with yourself, and that will make room for positive influence on those around you” Leslie Muchiri and finally a word from Everlyne Mueni ”Whenever it gets tough, we should always think of the reason why we started.”

**EXPERIENCE AT THE GOOGLE CREATIVE EVENT AT NAIROBI GARAGE**

Is creativity a superpower? Are creatives born or made? This are some of the questions we ask ourselves whenever we here of creativity and creatives. Most of us are still seeking the answers to these questions. We finally managed to learn all that exists in the world of creativity starting from the relationship between art and science, what creativity entails, the dos and don’ts in creativity and some of the creative gifts which include :

* Accepting our ignorance as being infinite
* Maintaining trust
* Embracing inclusivity
* Living in the intersection between art and science

As a creative, one has the ability to impact the world and with such weight on one’s shoulder it is keen to have clearly outlined values to stand by. Your values are either shaped by experience or influence.

As those who are celebrated often are those who are in front of the camera the people behind the scenes strive to make sure that they tell their stories. Stories that bring happiness, hope and reprieve to their audiences. The bottom line of being an amazing creative is to learn how to balance between art and science.

We got a chance to hear form Mzamo Masito, Chief Marketing Officer, Google Africa, South Africa. He shared with us some of the ways of living a creative life. Was such an honor for us to hear from him. “If you want to be creative it has to start with you,” Mzamo Masito. We learnt that the main value of creativity is respect for oneself and to others. Creativity is all about how you run your life and how your existence positively benefits the people around you. The most touching quote I got from Mzamo was, “If we don’t deliberately, intentionally, proactively INCLUDE we unintentionally EXCLUDE”. As we rise, we should strive to lift others.