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Mduduzi Mathuthu

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Mduduzi Mathuthu is a journalist and the founder of a Zimbabwe UK-based popular online paper, *New Zimbabwe.com*. He is the current editor of Southern African focused newspaper [The Southern Times](#). Mathuthu had gone to the United Kingdom in the early 2000s where he sought asylum after which he established New Zimbabwe.com. He only came back during the run-up to the July 31, 2013 elections. In October of the same year he was appointed editor of the state-controlled Chronicle replacing Itai Musengeyi. In May 2016, Mathuthu was transferred by Zimpapers to the Namibia to take up the post of Southern Times editor. The transfer to Namibia was widely viewed as a demotion apparently for having written an article on [Gukurahundi](#) that portrayed Vice President [Emmerson Mnangagwa](#) in the negative.^[1]

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Born

Occupation

Mduduzi Mathuthu

- Journalist
- Entrepreneur

Known for

Founding Newzimbabwe.com

Education

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Mathuthu attended [Founders High School](#)(Bulawayo) and [Mzingwane High School](#), (Esigodini) for his secondary education. He holds the following qualifications

- Master of Arts in Journalism from Cardiff University
- Bachelor of Laws Degree (LLB) from the University of Glamorgan, Wales
- Advanced Diploma in International Journalism from Thomson Foundation, Wales.
- Certificate in Web Design from Thomson Foundation, Wales.^[2]

Journalism career

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Mathuthu used to work as a [DailyNews](#) correspondent in [Bulawayo](#). In 2002 he went to the United Kingdom to pursue further education. In June the following year he set up the *New Zimbabwe* news website which became popular in the UK and eventually with Zimbabweans across the world.^[3] His appointment as Chronicle editor ignited a huge debate with some saying his site was a [Zimbabwe African National Union Patriotic Front](#) (ZANU PF) operation. It was also suggested that New Zimbabwe represented ZANU PF views and at times defended the abuses by the party and [Robert Mugabe](#).^[4]

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