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FILMS SHOT/FILMED IN KWAZULU-NATAL 1900 -2020

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This report provides a synopsis of the journey of the film industry in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal. The information is categorized in terms of the year on which the film was shot/filmed, name of the film, the director of the film and the storyline, genre, location and a snapshot of the film. The source documents for this research were; KZNFC register for production and development projects and IMDB - internet web pages.

One of the limitations of this study is that it is based mainly on high budget films (feature films). As a result, there is an omission of some of the small / micro budget films that might have been shot in KZN during the outline period. The other explanation to this incompleteness is that micro-budget films and documentaries at times do not get enough media publicity and exposure and their existence is at times hardly known.

The Kissing Booth 2

2020

Comedy | Romance

Durban – North Beach

Directed by Vince Marcello.

Following the love adventures of Elle, Noah, and Lee.



Imbewu

2020

Drama

Chatsworth

Directed by Menga Nhlabathi. Imbewu is about two brothers. Both grew up in rural areas, but one decided to leave the simple life and find his fortune in the urban environment. One of them cannot have children and the other is then asked by the family to impregnate his brother's wife to carry on the family name



Indandatho

2020

Drama

Durban

Directed by Philan Sithebe. A famous maskandi musician returns home to his village to ask for blessing for his impending wedding to a city girl, when he crosses paths with his childhood sweetheart.



Uzalo S6

2020

Comedy | Drama

KwaMashu

Directed by Sello Letsatsi, Sabelo Ndllovu, Fikile Mogodi and Kgatontle Mdleleni. UZALO is a provocative, bold and authentic narrative that tells the story of two-family dynasties, the Mdlleshes and the Xulus, and the two young men who carry their hopes and legacy's. The two families are immersed in contradictory worlds of church and crime respectively.



Ukube Ngangazi

2020

Drama

KwaPata

Directed by Thokozani Ndllovu. Ukube Ngangazi is a family drama based on a mother who neglects her daughter and lies to a man about not having children.



Kandasamys: The Wedding 2019

Comedy

Chatsworth

Directed by Jayan Moodley. The Wedding picks up with the love-struck Prishen Naidoo (Madhushan Singh) and Jodi Kandasamy (Mishqah Parthiephal) a few years after they've completed their studies, and they're a week away from celebrating their big fat Indian wedding



3 Days to go 2019

Drama

Durban

Directed by Bianca Isaac. Tells the story of adult siblings who, after the sudden death of their father, are forced to return to their childhood home.



Love Lives here 2019

Romance

Inanda

Directed by Morman Moorake. Movie about love, loyalty, friendship and family. 'Love Lives Here' tells the tale of a woman caught between two worlds, the township lifestyle and the suburbs.



The Red Sea Diving Resort 2019

Drama | History | Thriller

Durban

Directed by Gideon Raff. Inspired by remarkable true-life rescue missions, this is the incredible story of a group of Mossad agents and brave Ethiopians who in the early 80s used a deserted holiday retreat in Sudan as a front to smuggle thousands of refugees to Israel. The undercover team carrying out this mission is led by the charismatic Ari Kidron and courageous local Kabede Bimro.



Ngithande 2019

Trailer

Durban

Directed by Philani Sithebe. A rich and passionate girl falls in love with a poor driving instructor who gives her a sense of freedom, but their love is severely tested by social differences and her parent's interference



Buddha in Africa 2019

Documentary | Biography

Durban

Directed by Nicole Schafer. A Malawian boy, raised in a Buddhist orphanage, struggles to retain his cultural identity.



The letter reader

2019

Short | Drama
Drakensburg

Directed by Sibusiso Khuzwayo. The film tells the story of Siyabonga, a 12-year-old boy from Johannesburg who is sent to a village in KwaZulu-Natal to live with his grandmother while his parents are sorting out their marital problems. As a city boy who is not accustomed to doing household chores, Siyabonga struggles to adapt. He discovers the power of words as he reads letters that put a smile on people's faces, until one day, a letter with bad news lands in his hands. A letter addressed to Nobuhle – a beautiful 25-year old wife of a migrant worker living in Johannesburg. He takes one look at this beautiful woman and falls in love with her. As Nobuhle waits anxiously to hear the words of a long-awaited letter... Siyabonga realises that the letter outlines the end of Nobuhle's marriage... he can't bring himself to break her heart, so in that instant, Siyabonga decides that Nobuhle deserves better



Uncovered

2019

Drama
Newcastle

Directed by Zuko Nodada. Knowing too much can turn your world into a dangerous place.



IBALA

2019

Drama
Indwendwe

Directed by Rosina Masetla. Ibala tells a story of Ntombi, who is just been married into the royal house as Unfaziwesizwe (the Chosen Wife) of the Dlamini Clan. She is expected to give the royal house an heir. Ntombi gives birth to a healthy baby boy, an heir born with albinism. When the family elders and community members finds out, they want to banish her from the village saying her baby is a curse. There is havoc in the royal house, culture and tradition clashes with modernity. Ntombi decide to challenge Chief Dlamini to educate the community about Albinism, while she fights for her son's birth right as the future paramount chief and to be accepted into society.



Kings of Mulberry Street

2019

Comedy | Family
Verulam

Directed by Judy Naidoo. What if the only way two young Kwazulu Natal boys can defeat the bullying local crime lord who's threatening their families, is through their belief that one can be a Bollywood hero. Feisty TICKY is like a tjara artful dodger - cheeky and daring with a streetwise swagger and little respect for rules. He escapes the realities of his 80's Sugarhill District existence by living in a Bollywood dream world where he's an unbeatable action hero. Rooftops are his kingdom. When chubby, timid BABOO moves into the neighbourhood with his snooty, academic dad, Ticky thinks he's the biggest loser he's ever seen - but soon the two boys are drawn together by the shared threat of local bully and crime boss, RAJA. These two nine-year-old misfits decide to rid their community of the evil Raja. Their plan - emulate the antics and mannerisms of Bollywood heroes. The battle between escapism and harsh reality is not evenly matched, yet these heroes share a loyalty so special that it can conquer all.



Zulu Wedding

2018

Romance
Durban

Directed by Lineo Sekeleokane. Feisty choreographer Lungile will do a lot to avoid falling in love, and even more to avoid going home to South Africa, where she's traditionally engaged to a king. However, when she meets her soulmate, Tex, she has to face her complicated past.



The Harvesters

2018

Drama
KZN

Directed by Etienne Kallos. South Africa, Free State region, isolated stronghold to the Afrikaans white ethnic minority culture. In this conservative farming territory obsessed with strength and masculinity, Janno is different, secretive, emotionally frail. One day his mother, fiercely religious, brings home Pieter, a hardened street orphan she wants to save, and asks Janno to make this stranger into his brother. The two boys start a fight for power, heritage and parental love.



Traffic Lights

2018

Short Film
Durban CBD

Directed by Treasure Zaca and Nomcebo Cele.



Deep End

2018

Drama | Romance | Sport
Durban - Beachfront

Directed by Eubulus Timothy. Sunitha aspires for what is not expected of her. She has to dig deep with a new resolve and confidence to overcome familiar clichés and introduce new lifestyle choices in a traditional community and rise above her father's expectations to become her own woman.



3am

2018

Horror

Mpumalanga Hammarsdale (Cato Ridge)

Directed by Joe Spirit. A grieving husband sneaks out of his mistress' bed and heads to his estranged wife's fresh grave right at the hour the newly buried are about to be resurrected and taken. His hour of reckoning is upon him and he is forced to choose between life in death... Or death in life.



Joko Ya hao

2018

Documentary | Biography
Durban

Directed by Mmabatho Montsho. Modelled on the life of late struggle icon Winnie Madikizela-Mandela.



Made in Africa

2018

Reality-TV

Durban – Durban Central

The show will feature upcoming fashion designers across the motherland who will battle for a retail contract and other lovely prizes valued at R500 000



Hot Mess: The Web Series

2018

Comedy | Drama

Durban

Directed by Gavillan Letsoalo. Hot Mess is a twelve-episode comedy web series that follows several different yet intertwined stories of strangers as they deal with a sticky web of chaos created by their own bad decisions and/or the errors of others. These mishaps filter all the way through each story line, drastically changing the lives of all the characters.



Beyond the River

2017

Short Film

Durban CBD

Directed by Craig Freimond. Inspired by the true story of Siseko Ntondini and Piers Cruickshanks, who together won gold in the 2014 Dusi Canoe Marathon, "Beyond the River" delivers a nail-biting adventure story about the triumph of the human spirit.



Durban Beach Rescue – Season 2

2018

Reality-TV

Durban- North Beach

Durban Beach Rescue follows the lifeguards of South Africa's Golden Mile Beach during the height of the December holiday season. As temperatures hover over 40 degrees Celsius, around 2 million visitors per season flock to the water's edge.



The Social Technology

2018

Documentary | Drama

Durban

Directed by Patricia Innocenti. The transforming journey of young Brazilian digital designer Nathalie Siqueira to South Africa, where she meets two more women with whom she has much more in common than she previously thought.



Comedy

Chatsworth

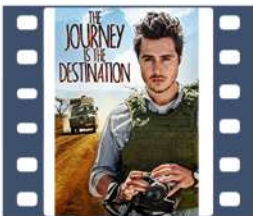
Directed by Jayan Moodley. Shanti Naidoo is a typical Type-A personality. Always on the move, going out of her way to please people, and over-compensating for her perceived inadequacies by continually cooking up a storm in the kitchen. Her life would be just fine, except that her neighbour Jennifer Kandasamy always seems to hold the upper hand! Somehow Jennifer appears to outdo whatever Shanti does and life appears to be a constant battle of trying to keep up with the Kandasamys. When Jennifer realizes her daughter, Jodi is in love with Shanti's son Pranesh, she is determined to break them up. But in order to do that she will have to enlist her rival's help! At first Shanti refuses point blank, but they both soon realize that they have no choice. The last thing they need is to be related to one another! Together the two women scheme and plot, recruit prospective partners and generally interfere in the lives of their kids wherever they can.



Drama

Durban – King Shaka International Airport

Directed by Bronwen Hughes. Dan Eldon, who was only 22 when he was chased down and killed by an angry mob in Somalia, was one of the youngest photographic stringers in Africa. But his journalistic work, which had appeared in Time and Newsweek, showed only a small part of his talent. Eldon excelled as an artist in his collages, which combined his photographs of Africa with paint, pastiche, pop culture images, advertising, and official documents. The Journey Is the Destination collects pages from the 17 scrapbooks that held his art. Chronicling his work from age 14 through his death at 22, this volume is startling not only in the intensity and thoughtfulness of the pages, but also in the fact that someone so young could have this kind of artistic depth and insight.



Drama | Musical

Lamontville

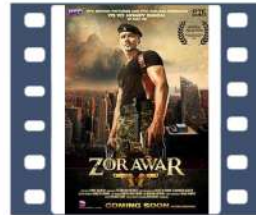
Directed by Mbongeni Ngema. Adapted from Mbongeni Ngema's Broadway production of "Asinamali". On the prison yard on Robben Island, a man named Nelson Mandela told Msizi Dube "Go and do it for all of us, for all our people. So one day we may join you in a free South Africa." After Msizi Dube was released residents of Lamontville Township, with anger and passion in their hearts, demonstrated against proposed rent increases, and led the crowds with a cry of ASINAMALI - We have no money. Dube was later gunned down but his cause and mission had touched the hearts of millions who still believe and follow in what he said. Our story takes place, ten years later in a prison, where a group of inmates are asked to create and perform a stage play for the governor and his associates for a celebration at the prison. These seven inmates, crammed together in a small cell, use their free time at night, after a hard days work, creating the stage play as a way of escaping the reality of where they are.



Action | Drama

Moses Mabhida Stadium | Oribi Gorge

Directed by Vinnil Markan. A soldier travels to Durban in order to search for his father, who settled there.



Doc-U-Mentally

2016

Documentary

Empangeni

Directed by Francois Wahl. 5 Doctors from 5 different cultures on call, a 30-hour shift, in rural South Africa are followed around to showcase the intensity of their jobs and emotional strength needed to endure. Are they crazy, superheroes or somewhere in between?



Lea to the Rescue

2016

Family

Durban | Port Edward

Directed by Nadia Tass. Born for adventure, Lea Clark heads deep into the Brazilian rainforest, where her most exciting story awaits.



The Kingdom Ukhakhayi

2016

Drama

DThe Wheel, China mall Magistrate Court
Durban C/C Mathikwe clinic, Inanda Dam
PineTown *Kwa Ncolosi; church; houses
*Emaphephetheni; stadium; houses

Directed / created by Zuko Nodada and Thobani Mbhele and produced by Ingomso Film Skills and Youth Development production company, The Kingdom - uKhakhayi is a South African television drama series which revolves around a royal AmaBhaca tribe, who live in the uMzinkhulu area in KwaZulu-Natal



Free State

2016

Drama

Newcastle

Directed by Salmon de Jager. The film portrays a random act of kindness that sparks a forbidden love affair between a white girl and an Indian man during the Apartheid system in South Africa.



Gracie

2016

Drama

Durban | Pietermaritzburg

Directed by Liana Hassim. The story is narrated by an ADULT GRACIE reminiscing her life when she was five year old. Gracie is a Zulu girl born to a mother who was not ready to have a child, she is looked after by her aunt and uncle who love her dearly. Gracie's world view shows the harshness of the city of Durban in the grip of xenophobic attacks, but her child-like point of view creates an artistic world of sketches which make some sort of sense of beauty out of the apparent chaos. The main plot is Jeanie's life as seen by Gracie, even though she lives happily with her lawyer step-mother and professional father. She admires her famous aunty Jeanie who was the oneAfrica brand model and is not disturbed by the fact that Jeanie is her biological mother



The Bush Knife

2015

Action | Thriller
Durban

Directed by Renaldo Kell. William Singh was an ordinary working man who had a beautiful wife and two daughters. But a darkness fell upon his life through a man known as The Skull. Now, William will have to embrace his other side. A man who he has hidden for many years. Vengeance will rise through him and he will be called The Bush Knife.

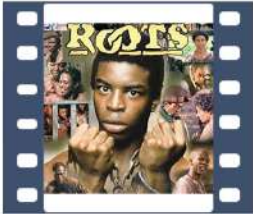


Roots

2015

Historical Drama
eShowe

The original Roots miniseries was a huge hit back in 1977 and tells the story of the kidnapped Kunte Kinte



The Order: First Degree

2014

Short Film
Durban CBD

Directed by Patrice Baillargeon. Martial Artist Master Chris Crudelli is a man on a mission: to recruit an elite group of fighters to join a secret society called The Order.



Uzalo

2015

TV Series

KwaMashu township, Riverhorse
Directed by Duma Ndlovu, Pepsi Pokane, Gugulethu Zuma-Ncube. A provocative, bold and authentic narrative that tells the story of two-family dynasties, the Mdletshe's and the Xulu's, and the two young men who carry their hopes and legacy's.



Durban Beach Rescue

2015

TV Series

Durban | North Beach | Bluff | uMhlanga

Durban Beach Rescue follows the lifeguards of South Africa's Golden Mile Beach during the height of the December holiday season. As temperatures hover over 40 degrees Celsius, around 2 million visitors per season flock to the water's edge.



World's Smart Cities

2014

Documentary

Durban

Directed by Iván Bouso. *World's Smart Cities: Durban* delves beneath the city's surface to get to grips with the varied cultures, influences and individuals who are helping Durban to flourish in the 21st century. The documentary follows two urban explorers to gain a dual perspective on the city: Andrew Evans, a veteran travel writer for *National Geographic Traveler* magazine and *National Geographic's Intelligent Travel* blog, offers an international outlook on the city to understand it within a global context, while Phindi Gule, a presenter at a local radio station, uses her local knowledge to look at recent transformation



African Gothic

2014

Thriller

Durban

Directed by Gabriel Bologna. On an isolated farm in Apartheid South Africa two lovers find themselves at risk of losing everything to a big city lawyer; they will stop at nothing to prevent him from exposing a dark family secret.



Les yeux jaunes des crocodiles

2014

Drama

Pentolfe farm | Albert Falls | Kwa Zulu Natal

The story is directed by Cécile Telerman. Two sisters, their families, and sometimes complicated lives.



Where the Road Runs Out

2014

Drama

Durban

Directed by Rudolf Buitendach. George, a scientist living in Rotterdam is growing wary of the world of academia. The sudden death of an old friend is the incentive he needs to return to his African roots where he takes over a dilapidated field station in the jungle of Equatorial Guinea. There he meets an orphan boy with a sunny disposition who opens George's wary eyes to this colourful place. The boy plays matchmaker between George and the lady who runs the local orphanage and all seems rosy until an old friend of George's shows up out of nowhere to throw their lives into disarray as George discovers there are many obstacles on the road to redemption and a few more where the road runs out.



The Curse of Highway Sheila

2014

Thriller

Durban Central, Higginson Highway, (Chatsworth), Tongaat, Verulam, uMgeni Road, North Coast Road

Directed by Kumaran Naidu. Strange events are happening on the highways. A newspaper editor instructs her reporters to find out the cause of them.



Hard to get

2014

Action, Romance

Directed by Zee Ntuli. When SKIETS, an enigmatic, beautiful stranger walks into small rural township tavern and demands a beer, TK, a charming local lothario sets out to seduce her in order to prove his prowess to the locals. When she spurns his attentions, he falls head over heels for her and seriously starts to woo her. However, Skiets is a dark horse and breaks TK's heart when she returns to the tavern the next night on the arm of MUGZA, the local hood! But...when Mugza discovers that Skiets has stolen his car keys and intends to make off with his most precious possession, he erupts. TK steps in to defend Skiets and before he knows it he is on his way to Johannesburg and the bright city lights with her - in the car that Mugza treasures above all else! Step in Gumedede, a sophisticated, wealthy and dangerous crime lord who takes them under his wing when Skiets catches his eye.



Layla Fourie

2013

Thriller

KZN | Umhlanga

Directed by Pia Marais. Layla Fourie, a young single-mother in South Africa, receives a job assignment as polygraphist. In the constant presence of mistrust, lies and fear Layla soon becomes a suspect herself



Meet the Mormons

2014

Documentary

Durban

Directed by Blair Treu. Meet the Mormons examines the very diverse lives of six devout members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Filmed on location and across the globe, Meet the Mormons takes viewers on a journey into the day-to-day realities of individuals living in the U.S., Costa Rica, Nepal and beyond. From their individual passions to their daily struggles, each story paints a picture as rich and unique as the next while challenging the stereotypes that surround the Mormon faith.



Long walk to Freedom

2013

Adaptation | Biopic | Drama

KZN - Midlands | Drakensberg, Bergiville

Directed by Justin Chadwick. A chronicle of Nelson Mandela's life journey from his childhood in a rural village through to his inauguration as the first democratically elected president of South Africa.



Sleeper's Wake

2012

Thriller

KZN, South Coast, Port Edward

Directed by Barry Berk. Following the death of his wife and daughter in a car accident a middle aged man is drawn into a dangerous physical relationship with a young girl.



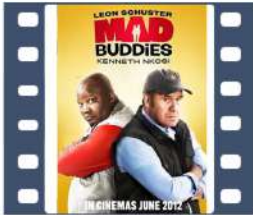
Mad Buddies

2012

Comedy

Durban – Suncoast Casino

Directed by Gray Hofmeyr. Sworn enemies, Boetie and Beast, are forced to embark on a road trip as unwitting subjects of a new TV reality show, devised by a gorgeous TV Producer, Kelsey, played by Tanit Phoenix. On camera, with the whole of South Africa in on the joke, the pair comes unstuck at every stage of this hilarious journey until they discover that they have been conned and join forces to exact revenge.



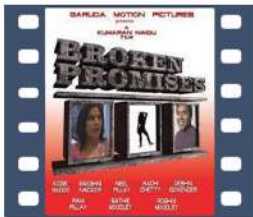
Broken Promises 3

2011

Comedy

Durban

This time Amsugi faces a challenge from a new potential daughter-in-law, who is highly educated, and extremely wealthy. Amsugi finds that she is well over her head, trying to out wit and out smart this new 'Tamil' daughter-in-law, Vimla. Vimla takes much joy in playing son against mother. She looks at it as an experience as she has never had a mother-in-law in her last three marriages. The movie sees the return of all popular characters such as the closet smoking Bommi, the compulsive eating Saras, the conservative well-dressed Kamla, and the ever girl-finding Reuben. They are joined by a host of new faces, who bring much comedy and excitement to the well-established franchise.



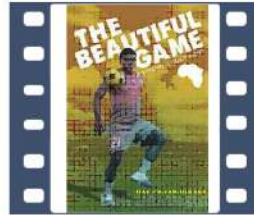
The Beautiful Game

2012

Documentary | Sport

Durban

Directed by Victor Buhler. A character-based feature documentary that portrays the transcendent power of soccer in modern Africa - a game that is helping to change the lives of individuals and communities across the continent. Players, fans, young, old, with or without a disability, male and female... millions of Africans' lives are wrapped up in the 'beautiful game'. Unlike anything else soccer brings fifty-four diverse countries into a common and passionate dialogue. And the results are tangible: when an African country does well at a competition, its national GDP rises, its exports go up, crime decreases, and political divides narrow. As Reverend Tutu shares in "The Beautiful Game": "soccer isn't like a religion in Africa. It is bigger than religion". The film interweaves a number of dynamic stories from six separate African countries: Kenya, Egypt, South Africa, Nigeria, Ghana, and Ivory Coast. Together these stories reveal how soccer can be an effective social and developmental tool; and how a game can play a crucial role in shaping a new future for Africa. We have threaded our stories together with stunning visuals and with insights from some of the most famous Africans. Soccer fan or not, The Beautiful Game will inspire and move you



A Million Colours

2011

Drama

KZN

Directed by Peter Bishai. A story of love and friendship set against the violence of Apartheid in South Africa. It is a story of the ups and downs of the lives of the three main characters, and how their lives intersect over the years.



Mister Bob

2011

Biography | Drama | History | War

Durban

Directed by Thomas Vincent. This film is based on the true character of Robert Denard (known as Bob Denard) in the 60's when he fights in Democratic Republic of Congo. As a mercenary, he defends President Mobutu who won his position after a putsch. Despite pressures from the French government who supports Mobutu's opponent Moïse Tshombé, Denard stays loyal to Mobutu until the very end when he understands Mobutu wants him dead. Denard's only solution becomes to get rid of Mobutu, however the French government ends up changing side to support Mobutu. Luckily for him Denard manages to be rescued after head injury during combat against Mobutu's troops



31 Million Reasons

2011

Crimes

Durban Central | Chatsworth

Directed by John Barker. Cops, Robbers and Bunny Chow - Loosely based on a true story about one of the biggest robberies in South African history, Brothers Ronnie (Jack Devnarin) and Jugs (Rahul Brijnath), two police men from Chatsworth, hatch a plot to seize 31 million rand from a cash deposit facility. Its high stakes when the cops are assigned to investigate their own heist.



Roepman

2011

Drama

Durban

Directed by Paul Eilers. Based on the Jan van Tonder novel with the same title. It tells the story of a 1966 railway community, told through the eyes of an eleven year old boy, called Timus. Timus and his family are trapped within the structural violence caused by the government and the church at the time. An unlikely hero, Joon, often appears to save Timus and these acts of kindness is seen by Timus as miracles. Timus tells the story of Joon and also his own coming of age and loss of innocence and how Joon tries to give a little of that lost innocence back to Timus. Nobody shares this point of view with Timus, Joon however goes on to save this whole community at the end. It is a story with unforgettable characters and it combines the magical world of childhood beautifully with the realistic world we live in.



Florida Road

2010

Drama

Durban beachfront – Florida Road | Morningside

Directed by Brad Glass. In spite of having a heart of gold, Shaan Sahay, (Ashmit Patel) the son of a wealthy Indian family, yearns for his father's love and acceptance. He struggles to pursue his passion for writing much to his family's shagrin as they believe his talent would be better served in the family business



2010 FIFA World Cup

2010

TV-Series

Durban - Moses Mbhida stadium
2010's Football World Cup, held in South Africa.



Motherland

2010

Documentary

Durban

Directed by Owen Alik Shahadah. Motherland is the most powerful documentary on Africa. Fusing history, culture, politics, and contemporary issues, Motherland sweeps across Africa to tell a new story of a dynamic continent. From the glory and majesty of Africa's past through its complex history. Africa as you have never seen it. From multi-award winning director 'Alik Shahadah (500 Years Later.)



Reuniting the Rubins

2010

Comedy | Drama

Durban - Valley of a 1000 hills

Directed by Yoav Factor. One man's mission to follow his dream is comically halted in its tracks at the request of his dear, but difficult, aged Jewish mother who is hell-bent on seeing her warring dysfunctional grown up grandchildren together one last time before she dies.



Soccer: South of the Umbilo

2010

Documentary | History | Sport

Durban - Umbilo

Directed by John Barker. South of the city of Durban, on the east coast of South Africa, is an area consisting of a handful of middle to low income suburbs which are linked not only through their geography but more importantly through their love for football. This area is affectionately known as 'South of the Umbilo' and is responsible for producing many talented South African soccer personalities.



Spud

2010

Comedy | Drama

Michaelhouse School | Balgowan in Midlands

Directed by Donovan Marsh. It's South Africa 1990. Two major events are about to happen: The release of Nelson Mandela and, more importantly, it's Spud Milton's first year at an elite boys only private boarding school.



Uhlanga 'The Mark'

2010

Drama

KwaCele on the South | Coast Durban
Pietermaritzburg

Directed by Ndaba Ka Ngwane. Khaba Mkhize played by Sbo Da Poet is a young man who, with his mother and sisters, has to flee to a new home after his father is killed. Bullied at school and excluded by a superstitious community, Khaba forges a seemingly unlikely alliance with well-to-do girl who is hiding her own dark family secret.

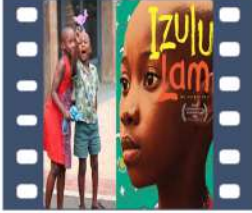


Izulu Lami 'My Secret Sky' 2009

Drama

Durban Surrounding areas

Directed by Ndaba Ka Ngwane. Khaba Mkhize played by Sbo Da Poet is a young man who, with his mother and sisters, has to flee to a new home after his father is killed. Bullied at school and excluded by a superstitious community, Khaba forges a seemingly unlikely alliance with well-to-do girl who is hiding her own dark family secret.



White Wedding 2009

Romantic Comedy

Durban

Directed by Ken Follet, Jann Turner. A young groom and his best man lost on a road trip, run into a young English doctor.



Mr Bones 2 : Back From The Past 2008

Comedy | Fantasy Comedy

Durban (Part of the film)

Directed by Gray Hofmeyr steering Leon Schuster. The story of Hekule, the King of Kuvukiland who is given a gemstone by the dying Kunji Balanadin. The stone is cursed and causes Hekule to become possessed by the spirit of the mischievous Kunji. It is up Mr. Bones, the royal witch doctor to cure his King and get rid of this cursed stone by returning the gem to its home in an Indian fishing village.



Surviving Evil 2009

Action Horror

Durban | North Coast | Stainbank Nature Reserve
Yellowwood Park

Directed by Terence Daw. A TV documentary crew arrive on a remote island in the Philippines to film a survival special. Their back-to-the-wild adventure proves to be more terrifying than they ever could have imagined.

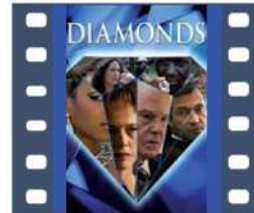


Diamonds 2009

Drama

La Mercy | Valley of 1000 hills

Directed by Andy Wilson. Complex tale about small and big players in the African diamond business wrapped around a murder of US senator's daughter.



My black little heart 2008

Drama

Durban Central | Bluff | Durban Beach front
Blythesdale Beach Westbrook Beach

Directed by Claire Angelique. A largely non-professional cast recreate the underground drug culture of Durban. 'Durban has never looked more beautiful or uglier' according to a synopsis



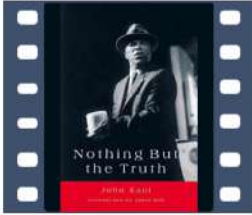
Nothing but the truth

2008

Comedy Drama

KwaMashu

Directed by John Kani. Internationally recognized, multiple award-winning actor John Kani is the lead actor in this drama which he also directed. *Nothing But The Truth* is a gripping, sometimes funny investigation into the complex dynamic between those blacks who remained in South Africa and risked their lives to lead the struggle against apartheid and those who returned victoriously after living in exile.



10 000 BC

2008

History

Underberg Area

Directed by Roland Emmerich. A prehistoric epic that follows a young mammoth hunter named D'Leh's journey through uncharted territory to secure the future of his tribe. When a band of mysterious horse-riding warlords raid the Yaghal camp and kidnap his heart's desire - the beautiful Evolet along with many others, D'Leh is forced to lead a small group of hunters south to pursue the warlords to the end of the world to save her. Driven by destiny, the unlikely band of warriors must battle saber-toothed cats and terror birds in the Levant



Race

2008

Drama

Durban

Directed by Abbas Alibhai Burmawalla and Mastan Alibhai Burmawalla. Thriller with horse-racing background.



Tunnel Rats

2008

Action

Durban

Directed by Uwe Boll. During the Vietnam War (1959-1975) a special US combat unit is sent out to hunt and kill the Viet Cong soldiers in a man-to-man combat in the endless tunnels underneath the jungle of Vietnam. Suicide squads of a special kind.



Rough Aunties

2009

Documentary

Durban

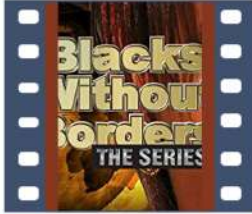
Directed by Kim Longinotto. Fearless, feisty and resolute, the "Rough Aunties" are a remarkable group of women unwavering in their stand to protect and care for the abused, neglected and forgotten children of Durban, South Africa. This newest documentary by internationally acclaimed director Kim Longinotto (SISTERS IN LAW, DIVORCE IRANIAN STYLE) follows the outspoken, multiracial cadre of Thuli, Mildred, Sducla, Eureka and Jackie, as they wage a daily battle against systemic apathy, corruption and greed to help the most vulnerable and disenfranchised of their communities. Neither politics, nor social or racial divisions stand a chance against the united force of the women. Once again Longinotto has managed to bring us an intimate portrait of change from Africa, this time from post-apartheid South Africa, a nation being transformed with hope and energy into a new democracy.



Blacks Without Borders: Chasing the American Dream in South Africa 2008

Documentary
Durban

Directed by Stafford U. Bailey. Blacks Without Borders is an emotional story of hardship, sacrifice and great rewards. It plunges into the lives of a group of 12 African Americans who went to South Africa to find the American dream. They discovered that America is not the only land of opportunity. The boundaries that many of them faced in the United States don't exist in South Africa.



Bay of Plenty 2007

Drama series
Durban Beaches

Directed by Sihle Xaba, Thomas Gumede, Bongeka Mpongwana, Siyabonga Shibe, Waseem Shaikh. Shot on location in Durban, Bay of Plenty tells the story of a fictional group of lifesavers and their friends. We follow their dreams, their exploits and betrayals, against the high - stake, high - risk dramas played out on the beach each day.



Oil on Water 2007

Drama
Durban | Glen Ashley

Directed by Peter Methews. Anna and Max are a young creative couple living together. Anna is a journalist and Max is an intriguing and slightly eccentric artist. Their idyllic relationship starts coming apart when Max develops some strange symptoms. He hears voices and sees visions which force him to withdraw from society and to mistrust Anna. When Anna discovers the cause of the problem it may be too late.



Our Story Our Voice 2007

Documentary
Durban

Directed by Owen Alik Shahadah. Our story our voice engages the diverse voices of the dis-empowered in a multi-cultural world that has no multi-culture voice. Beyond the mainstream media and politics of newspapers Our Story Our Voice offers a rare unbridled look into the voices of those who more often than not get marginalized. From nuclear weapons proliferation to the hypocrisy of western foreign policy, failure of plurality and democracy to the crisis in Darfur



Primeval

2006

Horror

Shongweni Dam and Nature Reserve
Ladysmith Bergville Hillcrest Assegai

Directed by Michael Katleman. TV show star reporter Tim Manfrey and his cameraman Steven Johnson travel to Burundi to get sensational footage of a giant crocillian monster which attacked a UN identification team and the Tutsi-Hutu tribal civil war carnage mass grave corpses it was digging up in a Great Lakes marsh area. But it turns out danger also lurks in the armed form of a local war lord.



Blood diamond

2006

Documentary

Durban

Directed by Edward Zwick. A story following Archer, a man tortured by his roots. With a strong survival instinct, he has made himself a key player in the business of conflict diamonds. Political unrest is rampant in Sierra Leone as people fight tooth for tooth. Upon meeting Solomon, and the beautiful Maddy, Archer's life changes forever as he is given a chance to make peace with the war around him



Krakatoa: The last days

2006

Drama

Yellow Wood park Durban | KZN South Coast

Directed by Sam Miller. A documentary on the 1883 eruption of Krakatoa in the Sunda Strait of Indonesia, bringing tsunamis, rains of pumice and ash, and a deadly flow of hot steam, sulfuric acid, and ash. More than 36,000 died; survivors had bad burns.



Dhoom 2

2006

Cop Thriller

Durban

Directed by Sanjay Gadhvi. In the second installment of the Dhoom series, Jai and Ali are back as the buddy cops on their toughest job so far. "Mr.A" is an international thief who has planned to steal a priceless artifact in Mumbai and the police have got to nab him. But Mr. A manages to steal the artifact and elude the police. He finds his match in Sunehri and they form a partnership. They move on to Rio for their next job, with Jai and Ali hot on their trail. Mr. A whose actual name is Aryan, and Sunehri are drawn towards each other but little does Aryan know of Sunehri's little secret



Running Riot

2006

Comedy

Durban | Pmb

Directed by Koos Roets. Comedy centred around the Comrades Marathon shot along the Comrades route



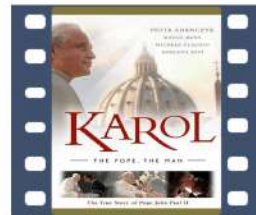
Karol - The Pope, the Man

2006

Drama

KwaCele on the South | Coast Durban
Pietermaritzburg

Directed by Giacomo Battiato. The Man is a 2006 TV miniseries chronicling Pope John Paul II's life as pope in flashbacks from October 22, 1978's papal inauguration to his death in 2005.



Faith like potatoes

2006

Religious

Greytown, (Farm____ Kings Park stadium | Durban

Directed by Regardt Van den Bergh. Frank Rautenbach leads a strong cast as Angus Buchan, a Zambian farmer of Scottish heritage, who leaves his farm in the midst of political unrest and racially charged land reclaims and travels south with his family to start a better life in KwaZulu Natal, South Africa. With nothing more than a caravan on a patch of land, and help from his foreman, Simeon Bhengu, the Buchan family struggle to settle in a new country. Faced with ever mounting challenges, hardships and personal turmoil, Angus quickly spirals down into a life consumed by anger, fear and destruction. Based on the inspiring true story by Angus Buchan the book was adapted for the big screen by Regardt van den Bergh and weaves together the moving life journey of a man who, like his potatoes, grows his faith, unseen until the harvest



3 Needles

2005

Drama

Port St Johns | KZN | North Coast

Directed by Thom Fitzgerald. A three-panelled look at the worldwide AIDS crisis: in Montreal, a porn actor (Ashmore) schemes to pass his mandatory blood test; a young nun (Sevigny) makes a personal sacrifice for the benefit of a South African village; in rural China, a black market operative (Liu) posing as a government-sanctioned blood drawer jeopardizes an entire village's safety.



Elephant tales

2006

Action | Adventure

Drakensberg | Pietermaritzburg

Directed by Maroi Andreacchio. Teenage Zef and little brother, Tutu, are two happy elephants. Who wouldn't be with the biggest backyard in the world to play in? - the wild plains of Africa. They merrily chase zebras, ostriches and warthogs, scarring them silly. There is a whole bunch of fun stuff to be doing and Zef is just the big brother to show Tutu how to get into all kinds of (mischievous) trouble. Until their mother and the family herd are taken from them in the dark of one dreadful night by The Badness. To cover up the truth of their fate from Tutu, Zef makes up a story about a rainbow taking their mum to the sky. Now, Tutu needs to find that rainbow and their mum. Zef wants to find a new herd, a new family. Their journey in search of both takes them on a high adventure - with the help of some ditsy rainbow Cranes, a very unusual vegetarian vulture and a few surprising types with some entertaining takes on the jungle. Along the way Zef and Tutu are joined by three other orphaned animals - Chump, a chimp ...



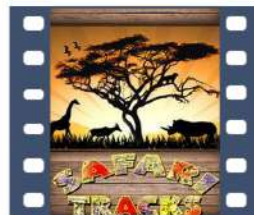
Safari Tracks

2005

TV-series

Maputaland | Phinda Private Game Reserve

Directed by: Safari Tracks takes viewers on an African safari- focusing on African wildlife and the magnificent and mysterious world of these animals, all in their natural habitat. Follow Ushaka each and every week as we explore the African continent.



Lucky

2005

Action | Thriller

Durban

Directed by Avie Luthra. Mr. Sekhri is the Indian Ambassador in Russia, and his Chief Assistant is Mr. Negi. Sekhri is widowed with a son named Aditya, while Negi is married and has brought his wife, Anjali, and two daughters, Lucky and Dhara, with him to Russia. One day while going to school, Lucky's bicycle has a flat tire, and she ends up being molested by a young Russian. She manages to escape and hide in a parked car, and the molester is chased away by the car's owner - who is none other than Aditya. Unaware of his "cargo", Aditya drives the car to meet his father, until he is stopped at a check-post. That's when he finds out that Lucky is on board. Then terrorists strike out with bombs and guns, and chaos breaks loose, the telephone lines are down, and there is no electricity.



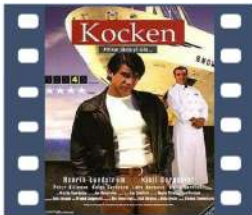
Kocken

2005

Drama

Durban

Directed by Mats Arehn. The year is 1969. A junior chef and his friend embark on the ship Snowdrift destined for Cape Town. They meet with The Chef who rules unrestricted by a sharp set of rules and regulations.



To the Ends of the Earth

2005

TV Mini-Series

Richards Bay

Directed by Haifaa Al Mansou. In 1812, young British aristocrat Edmund Talbot travels by ship to Australia, and learns more about himself and about life than he had ever bargained for.



Man to man

2005

Drama

Underberg Area

Directed by Regis Warnier. An epic about anthropologists who hunt and capture pygmies for study back in Europe, in an attempt to illustrate the link between man and ape



Yesterday

2004

Drama

Underberg Area

Directed by Darrell Roodt. After falling ill, Yesterday learns that she is HIV positive. With her husband in denial and young daughter to attend to, Yesterday's one goal is to live long enough to see her child go to school.



Human Cargo

2004

Mini- Series

KZN North Coast

Directed by Brad Roodt. All is not black in white in this superb dramatization of the real story behind today's headlines of persons from various countries attempting to enter Canada from war torn, poverty stricken countries. In a beautifully filmed, wonderfully acted and directed masterpiece, we see 'Boat people' from China off the coast, Islamic fanatics caught at the US Border entering Canada from the south, modern day 'slaves' escaping horrible conditions in African mines



Stander

2003

Action Biography

Durban | North Beaches Yacht Basin

Directed by Bronwen Hughes. The life and career of Andre Stander, a South African police officer turned bank robber.



Behind the Badge

2002

Crime | Drama

Durban

Directed by Zakes Mda & Shane Mohabier



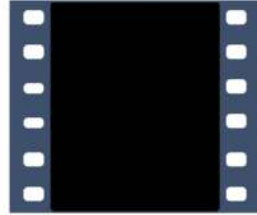
Coming to South Africa

2004

Drama

Durban

Paul Louwrens



Racing Stripes

2004

Adventure | Comedy | Drama

Pietermaritzburg Scottsville Racecourse
Nottingham Road area

Directed by Francois Du Chau. An abandoned zebra (voice of Frankie Muniz) grows up believing he is a racehorse, and, with the help of his barnyard friends and a teenage girl (Hayden Panettiere), sets out to achieve his dream of racing with thoroughbreds.



The young Black stallion

2002

Adventure | Family | Drama

Drakensberg

Directed by Simon Wincer. A prequel to the 1979 classic The Black Stallion--a family drama that presents the horse's adventures with a young girl named Neera, who has been separated from her father in Arabia by WWII. Left alone in the desert, she befriends the wild colt whom she names Shetan. Once reunited with her father, however, Neera remains haunted by the images of the lost horse in the desert--one of a few stallions of legend, rumored to be born of the sands, sired by the night sky, drinkers of the wind.



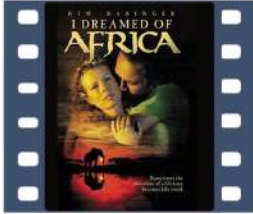
I dreamed of Africa

2000

Adventure | Drama

Hluhluwe, Farm – Zulu Nyala

Directed by Hugh Hudson. Kuki, a divorced Italian socialite, changes her life after a serious car crash. She accepts a marriage proposal from Paolo Gallmann, a man she doesn't know well, and she moves to Kenya with him and her young son to start a cattle ranch. Challenges beset her, not the least of which is Paolo's love of danger and his leaving for days on end to hunt and fish with pals. She must face fierce storms, roving lions, venomous snakes, and murderous poachers, and she must find accommodation with a neighboring tribe. Her mother entreats her to return home. Can Kuki live her dream, tame Paolo, guide her son safely past the perils and errors of youth, and serve Africa?



Shark Attack

1999

Horror, | Action

Durban

Directed by Bob Misiorowski. In a once serene African fishing village, a marine biologist goes in search of some answers when his friend becomes a victim in one of a series of brutal shark attacks.



Innocent Wrath

1998

Drama

Underberg Drakensberg

Directed by Ryan Davy. The story of "Innocent Wrath" is based on juveniles brought up in a criminal and disturbing environment. It tells of their current circumstances in a therapeutic German mission. Their maturity in handling the past is uncanny and tragic.

The Long Run

2000

Drama | Sport

Comrades' route

Directed by Jean Stewart. The Comrades Marathon is a 90-km race in South Africa. Between Pietermaritzburg and Durban. An aging running coach, Barry, wants to field a winner; he's working with four men from a factory, but when he's fired to make way for a smooth, corporate type, he's at loose ends. Then he sees Christine, a Namibian immigrant who runs to forget her troubles. He offers to coach her and soon she's living at his house, following his diet and training regimen. But his single-mindedness gets to her: she wants a job and a place of her own. Plus, the man who replaced Barry likes her and wants her away from Barry. Can runner and coach (woman and man, African and European) sort out their complex relationship before the race?



A Reasonable Man

1999

Culture Clash drama

Weenen Area on the Tugela

Directed by Gavin Hood. A Reasonable Man tells the story of a city lawyer who comes across the case of a herd boy from remote, rural Zululand, who has killed a one year old baby in the mistaken belief that he was killing an evil spirit, known throughout Southern Africa as the "Tikoloshe". Dark Secrets which lie buried deep within the lawyer connect him to the boy. He takes the case and enters a world of African witchcraft and mysticism to discover the truth about the killing - and himself.



Tarzan and The Lost City

1998

Action | Adventure | Family

Port Edward | Mtamvuna river

Directed by Carl Schenkel. On the eve of his wedding, John Clayton, Lord of Greystoke (better known as Tarzan), receives a message from the witch doctor Mugambe that his homeland is in danger. It turns out that a treasure hunter named Ravens is searching for the lost city of Opar, and is destroying the jungle and desecrating the villagers' burial grounds in the process. Only Tarzan can stop Ravens and set things right in the African jungle, but will Jane stand for her fiancé being away for so long?



White Squall

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Drama

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The making of Mahatma

1996

Drama

Durban

Directed by Shyam Benegal. Early life of Mahatma Gandhi.



Operation Delta Force 2: Mayday

Action

Durban

Directed by Yossi Wein. A ship captained by the father (Dale Dye) of the leader (Michael McGrady) of Delta Force is taken hostage by terrorists. As might be expected the force is sent in to stop them.



Living with Lions

1997

Documentary | Sport

Durban

Directed by Duncan Humphreys & Fred Rees. Documentary covering the British & Irish Lions' rugby team's successful tour to South Africa in 1997.



Dangerous Ground

1996

Action thriller

KZN South Coast

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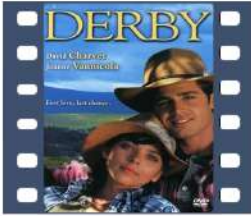
Derby

1995

Action | Adventure | Family

Port Edward | Mtamvuna river

Directed by Bob Clark. Katie once left her parent's horse ranch behind her. Now, when her father is sick Katie has to return to the farm. She meets Cass, now a grown man whom she had a crush on as a kid.



Spanish rose aka point of impact 1993

Action Thriller

Durban Umhlanga rocks Durban docks

Directed by Bob Misiorowski. Jack David (Pare) is a tough, outspoken cop who finds himself wrongly accused for the death of a fellow agent by the depraved and power hungry chief of Miami Customs, Martin Cullen (Ian Yule). Disgraced and dismissed, Jack swears revenge and goes to work for Roberto Largo (Ironsides), a rich, evil Cuban crime boss, as bodyguard for his smouldering wife, Eva (Barbara Carrera). Jack knows Largo is connected to his old boss Cullen and is determined to learn the secret that will bring him down. Trapped in a deadly game of cat and mouse, held captive by his passionate affair with Eva, Jack must figure out the significance of the mysterious Spanish Rose to survive.

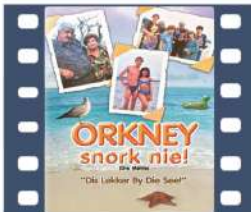


Orkney snork – Dis lekker by die see 1993

Sitcom

Margate (Hibiscus Coast Local Municipality)

Directed by Willie Esterhuizen. The popular TV sitcom family goes on holiday to Margate in their first movie.



Cry, the Beloved Country 1995

Drama Thriller

Hilton Drakensberg

Directed by Darrell Roodt. A South-African preacher goes to search for his wayward son who has committed a crime in the big city.



Cyborg Cop II

1994

Documentary | Sport

Durban

Directed by Sam Firstenberg. A fancy, loner cop loses his partner to a crazed terrorist during a hostage rescue. He settles for the terrorist going to Death Row in jail. What Jack doesn't know is that the terrorist will be taken and turned into a cyborg for the "Anti-Terrorist Group". When the Cyborg "Spartacus" wakes up accidentally, he kills the scientists and their guests, then goes to set things up for a Cyborg Empire. Only Jack and a few friends know how to stop him.



Cryborg Cop

1993

Action

Durban | North Coast

Directed by Sam Firstenberg. Ex DEA agent Jack receives an emergency message from his brother Phillip, whose team was ambushed on the Caribbean island of St. Keith. Jack goes to St. Keith to find his brother, who has been turned into a cyborg by the drug runner he was after.

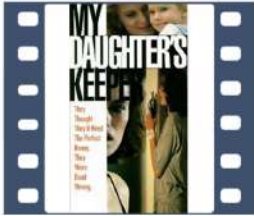


My daughter's keeper/AU pair 1991

Drama

Pietermaritzburg and Durban – North Coast

Directed by Heinrich Dahms. An American writer in England takes his children and a newly hired nanny on a trip to South Africa while his wife, a reporter, is on assignment. He has an affair with the nanny, but when he refuses to leave his wife for her, the nanny gets her revenge by kidnaping his children.

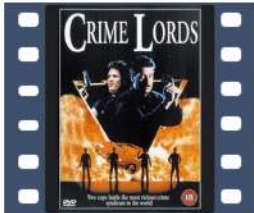


Crime Lords 1990

Action

Durban

Directed by Wayne Crawford. Two ex-cops find themselves alone in their fight against the largest crime syndicate in the world - the Crime Lords. The action takes us from the streets of Los Angeles to the back alleys of Hong Kong in this buddy movie.



Funny Face 1989

Comedy

Durban

Directed by Alain D. Woolf.

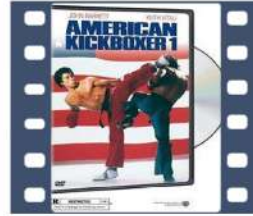


American Kick Boxer 1 1991

Action

Salt Rock Hotel - Basill Hulett Drive | Durban

Directed by Frans Nel. Kickboxing champion B.J. is jailed for an accidental murder thanks to the testimony of his arch-nemesis Denard. A year later, B.J. is released and then challenged by Denard for \$100,000. Will B.J. accept and get even with Denard?



The Gift 1990

Drama

KwaMashu | Durban | Drakensberg | The Karoo

Directed by John Rodgers.

Lambarene 1990

Umlhanga Rocks

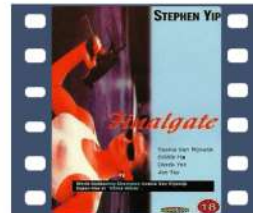
Directed by John Rodgers.

Fatal mission 1990

Action

Durban

Directed by Stephan Yip. When Peter's wife and son are brutally murdered by drug-dealing gangsters, he is determined to track them down and get revenge.



Red Elephants 1989

Mini- Series

Zululand

Directed by John Rodgers.

The Endangered

1989

Adventure

Directed by Mark Engels. Two brothers make a stand against an African revolution fought with guns bought with ivory.



Barrett

1989

Action

Durban

Directed by Tonie van der Merwe.

Agent Orange

1989

Thriller

KZN

Directed by Robert Davies. A reporter stumbles on a dirty secret involving illegal agricultural use of forbidden chemicals.



African

1988

Directed by Joey Ford. A female cop joins an undercover drugs team.

Rhino

1988

Adventure

Zululand Game reserves

Directed by Ronnie Isaacs

Chameleon aka Thieves of fortune

1989

Adventure

South Coast

Directed by Michael McCarthy. In this action-packed romantic adventure story, a beautiful woman must perform feats of bravery in order to inherit a \$28 million fortune and win the man she loves. Lots of stunts featuring planes, motorcycles, cliff diving, alligator wrestling and gun battles



The Tangent Affair

1989

Mystery | Thriller

Durban

Directed by Neil Hetherington & Hanro Möhr. A beach becomes a battlefield, where only the strongest will survive.



Baby Brown

1989

Thriller

Durban

Directed by Joey Ford. A female cop joins an undercover drugs team.

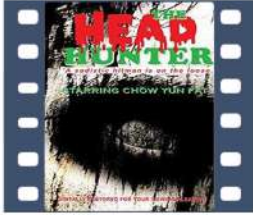


Head hunter

1988

Horror
Durban

Directed by Francis Schaeffer. A Miami cop finds out his wife has a female lover, and he begins to have an affair with his female partner. Meanwhile, a voodoo demon from Africa arrives among Miami's Nigerian community and begins decapitating some people and possessing others—including the cop's wife.



Platoon Leader

1988

Drama, War
Durban

Directed by Aaron Norris. A young officer, just out of West Point is sent to Vietnam, where the men don't respect him until he gets wounded and returns to be a wiser soldier and a better commander.



American Ninja 3: Blood hunt

1988

Action
Durban

Directed by Cedric Sundstrom. Jackson is back, and now he has a new partner, karate champion Sean, as they must face a deadly terrorist known as "The Cobra", who has infected Sean with a virus. Sean and Jackson have no choice but to fight the Cobra and his bands of ninjas.



The tangent affair

1987

Adventure thriller
Umlhanga rocks
Directed by Neil Hetherington

River of Death

1988

Adventure

KZN South Coast | Wild Coast

Directed by Steve Carver. An adventurer (Hamilton) decides to go in search of the lost city in the Amazon jungle. A motley crew of other people with reasons of their own decide to join him for the wealth of the lost city. But to their horror they find out that they have bit off more than they can chew. What with a Nazi doctor still doing his experiments on people in the same place.



Options

1988

Adventure

KZN North Coast | Wild Coast

Directed by Camilo Vila. An MBA goes to Africa to make a deal, but come out with a Princess.



Going Bananas

1987

Comedy

Durban

Directed by Boaz Davidson. Deep in Africa's exotic Momba-Zomba Land, young David Menden-Hall (Over the Top) befriends a mischievous little chimpanzee—only to discover the critter can talk! Soon, his friends Joe (Dom DeLuise) and Mozambo (Jimmie Walker) are going ape trying to save the chatty chimp after he's sold to the circus by crooked police chief Herbert Lom (The Pink Panther)! It's one cliff-hanger after another as the three friends embark on a zany, slapstick safari into non-stop monkeyshines!



Journey to the centre of Earth 1987

Adventure

Durban

Directed by Rusty Lamorande. Young people exploring a cave in Hawaii fall into a hole, wind up in the lost city of Atlantis.



American Ninja 3 1987

Action Thriller

Durban

Directed by Cedric Sundstrom. Blood Hunt is a 1989 martial arts action movie starring David Bradley, written by Gary Conway.

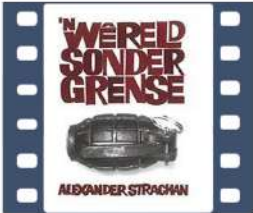


'N Wereld sonder grense 1986

Drama

Point Road Durban

Frans Nel



Winchester 1984

KZN – Eshowe (Ishivundu farm owned by Balcomb family) Durban

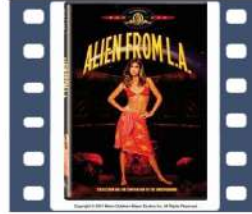
Directed by Chris du Toit

Alien from LA 1987

Adventure | Comedy

Durban

Directed by Albet Pyun. A nerdy teen-age girl goes looking for her missing archaeologist father, and stumbles into a strange subterranean civilization.



John Ross – An African Adventure 1986

Adventure

KZN North Coast | Wild Coast

David Lister. In October 1825, a British sailing ship, the good ship Mary, is wrecked off the coast of Zululand. Amongst the survivors is 13-year-old John Ross, a Glasgow urchin who had been taken on as an apprentice seaman. Two years later the castaways finally complete a new ship, built from wreckage of the old, and return to their homeland. But the real story lies in what happened on African soil during those two years.



Shaka Zulu 1985

Mini-Series

KZN North Coast -Shakaland

Directed by William Faure. A television series written by Joshua Sinclair for the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC), based on Sinclair's novel of the same name (1985). Also based on the story of the king of the Zulu, Shaka (reigned 1816 to 1828).



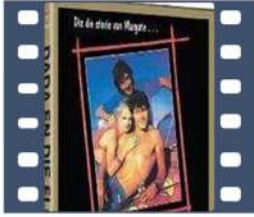
Dada en die flower

1984

Romantic Drama

Durban

Directed by Jan Scholtz. Dada en die Flower is a love story about six friends who experience their first 'free' holiday in Margate, their first "breakaway", and their first adult love.



Riding High

1982

Youth Drama

Natal Midlands

Directed by David Lister



Im dschungel ist der refuel los/Crazy jungle adventure

1982

Comedy

Natal Lion Park Zoological Gardens

Directed by Harald Reinl

Birds of Paradise

1981

KZN South Coast

Directed by Tim Spring, Rex Garner

Grensbasis 13

1979

Action

KZN South Coast Durban

Directed by Elmo de Witt

Endag Vir alty/Edge of innocence

1984

Romantic Thriller

Durban

Directed by Chris du Toit. A final year medical student goes on the run after being implicated in the hit and run death of a fellow student.

Deadly Passion

1984

Erotic Thriller

Durban

Directed by Lary Larson. L.A. private eye Sam Black, who lives with his half-brother, Andrew, travels to the Bahamas to assist Abigail Marx, a woman who believes her husband is stealing money from their company. Black finds the proof but in the process is shot by Harry Marx. While recuperating in a Bahamas hospital he meets a beautiful widow, also from L.A., named Martha Greenwood. Back in California, Black reunites with Martha who tells him the money left her by her late husband is controlled by unscrupulous business manager, Robert Chandler. Together Black and Martha devise a scheme to transfer the money away from Chandler's control. Black carries out his part of this scheme but then discovers that Martha has plans of her own.



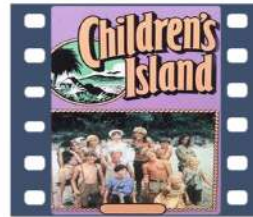
Children's Island

1982

Drama

KZN South Coast

Directed by Nathaniel Gutman. A group of 11 British children during World War II are on a passenger ship en route to the United States when it is torpedoed by a German U-Boat as they survive and thrive



Zulu Dawn

1979

Drama History

Pietermaritzburg - 65 Trelawney BABANANGO Road | Ashburton | Isandlwana | Rorkes Drift
Directed by Douglas Hickox. The film is about the historical Battle of Isandlwana between British and Zulu forces in 1879.



Isivumelwano

1978

Drama

Durban Umlazi

Directed by Simon Sabela. A young woman, Thembisile Khumalo (Cynthia Shange) is married to Minister Ziphoh Khumalo. Thembisile is tired of the lifestyle the church offers and wants to go out and have fun. She soon meets troublemaker Johnny (Eric Mncanyana), brother to her friend Nancy. They fall in love and start an affair, which leads to a great deal of trouble.



Inyakanyaka

1977

Comedy

Durban and Umlazi; Blue Waters Beach Front
Directed by Simona Sabela. Two mates Mshefane and S'dudla work for a company producing comic magazines, they are always at loggerhead with the foreman Ngungunyane



Die Rebel

1976

Thriller

Durban Beachfront
Directed by Daan Retief.

Many Classic Moments

1978

Drama

Durban

Directed by Chris du Toit. A final year medical student goes on the run after being implicated in the hit and run death of a fellow student.



Billy Boy

1978

Durban harbour

Directed by Tim Spring



The Dingelys

1977

Sitcom

Pietermaritzburg
Directed by Bill Faure

e'Lollipop aka forever young, forever free

1976

Adventurous

Underberg Sani Pass

Directed by Ashley Lazarus. The adventurous story of these two boys takes you into places you normally don't see in a typical "kids" film. Sometimes scary, sometimes touching, it's very heartfelt and REAL.



Hank, hennery en Vriend 1976

Adventure
KZN South Coas
Directed by Bertrand Retief

U'Deliwe 1975

Soap
Durban Umlazi
Directed by Simon Sabela



Final cry of the savannah/ ultime gride della savana: La grande caccia 1975

Natal's Game Reserve
Directed by Antonio Limati
Directed by Mario Morra

Pens and Pootjies 1974

Family Entertainment
Durban
Directed by Dirk de Villiers

Dans van die Vlamink 1974

Adventure
Ladysmith
Directed by Ivan Hall

Liefde vir Lelik 1972

Durban Drakensberg
Directed by Keith van der Watt.



Shout at the Devil 1976

Action Drama Thriller
KZN South Coast
Directed by Peter Hunt



Lelik is my offer 1975

**Ixopo Durban Entabeni Hospital
Durban beachfront**
Directed by Joe Stewardson

Those Naughty Angels 1974

Drakensberg
Directed by Neil Hetherington

The Dove 1974

True story
Durban
Directed by Charles Jarrott

Die Voortrekkers 1973

Durban
Directed by David Millin

Oceans 1971

Durban
Directed by Rod Sumpter

The Men from the Ministry 1971

Comedy
Durban
Directed by

Blue water, white death

1971

Documentary

Durban

Directed by Peter Gimbel. Documentary focusing on great white sharks.



Die drie van der Merwes

1970

Comedy

Durban beachfront

Dirk de Villiers

Sandy the Seal

1968

Family Entertainment

Durban

Directed by Robert Lynn. When a lighthouse keeper takes in a seal in need and gives to his children to look after, the whole family is drawn into the shadowy world of illegal seal poaching. The family then finds themselves leading the fight to rid their coastal town of the criminals and save the seals.



Endless summer

1966

Documentary

Durban

Bruce Brown



Vicki

1970

Romantic Story

Margate Durban

Ivan Hall

A new life

1970

Musical Documentary

Drakensberg

Dirk de Villiers

Freeform

1970

Documentary

Durban

Rod Sumpter

Banana Beach

1970

Musical Action Comedy

KZN South coast

David Millin

The mercenaries aka Dark of the sun

1968

KZN

Jack Cardiff

Majuba

1968

David Millin

The Kruger Millions

1967

Drama

Durban

Ivan Hall

Tokoloshe

1965

Comedy

Durban

Peter Prowse. A young African boy is rescued from a witchdoctor's death curse. He travels to the big city where a blind white man becomes his protector.



Dingaka

1965

Drama

Directed by Jamie Uys. A film about an African tribesman seeking revenge against the people who murdered his daughter. His crusade leads him into the whiteman's courts, where justice for blacks does not exist.

Coast of Skeletons

1964

Durban

Robert Lynn

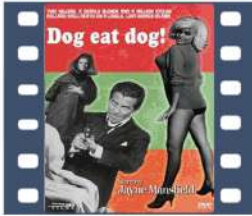
When strangers meet / Dog eat dog / Einer Frist den Anderen

1963

Adventure | Drama

KZN various location

Directed by Ray Nazarro. Three thieves rip off a shipment of used money being sent back to the US. As they are escaping the robbery (after having taken a hostage), they wind up on an island in a hotel with an apparently crazed manager and a building full of demented residents.



Bitter Spears

1962

Eshowe

Attilio Gatti

Nor the moon by night aka Elephant gun

1958

Drakensberg

Ken Annakin

Zulu

1964

Drama | History

Durban Amphitheatre | Drakensberg Mountains
Rorke's Drift; Isandlwana

Directed by Cy Endfield. Outnumbered British soldiers do battle with Zulu warriors at Rorke's Drift and at Isandlwana.



Rhino

1963

Adventure

Umfolozi Game Reserve
Ivan Tors

Death drums along the river

1963

Durban | Durban North

Lawrence Hutington

Sammy going South

1963

Durban

Alexander Mckenrick

Hans en die Rooinek/Sidney and the Boer

1961

Comedy

Durban

Directed by Jamie Uys. In order to prove who is more superior, an Afrikaans-speaker and English-speaker undertake a 300-mile race on foot from Durban to Johannesburg.



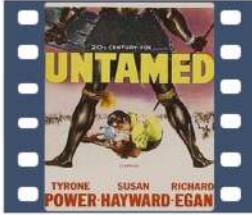
Untamed

1955

Drama

Inchanga

Produced by Henry King. When the great potato famine hits Ireland, the diaspora begins as thousands emigrate. Among those leaving the Emerald Isle is Katie O'Neill and her husband, who decide that the promised land is South Africa and make their way there. Once there, they discover the hardships that are the reality of the homesteader experience. To complicate matters, Katie meets up with the love of her life, Paul van Riebeck. Will there be betrayal on the veldt?



King Solomon's mines

1937

Action | Drama

Drakensberg Otto's Bluff

Directed by Robert Stevenson. White hunter Allan Quartermain and his enigmatic guide help a young Irish woman locate her missing father in unexplored Darkest Africa.



The man who was afraid

1920

Thriller

Durban

Joseph Albrecht

King Solomon's Mines

1918

Otto's Bluff

H. Lisle Lucoque

Bond and Word

1918

Drama

KZN

Dick Cruickshanks. A detective drama.

Untamed

1952

Cato Ridge Inchanga

Henry King

The Adventures

1951

Drakensberg

David MacDonal

Cry the Beloved Country

1951

Ixopo

Zoltan Korda

They built a Nation/Die bou van 'n Nasie

1938

Otto's Bluff

Joseph Albrecht

Chez les Buveurs de sang

1932

Documentary

KZN

Baron Gourgaud

Siliva the Zulu

1927

Drama

Eshowe

Attilio Gatti

The Blue Lagoon

1923

KZN Coast

Weston Bowden

Allam Quatermain

1919

Durban

H. Lisle Lucoque

The voice of the waters

1918

Drama

Howick Falls, Most of the action took place in a room overlooking the falls

Directed by Joseph Albrecht. According to film historian Thelma Gutsche "this drama was set among the scenery surrounding the Howick Falls.

The Symbol of Sacrifice

1918

Drama

KZN

Directed by Dick Cruickshanks. Drama set during Anglo-Zulu War of 1879.

De Voortrekkers

1916

Action | Drama

Drakensberg Otto's Bluff

Directed by Harold Shaw. Story of the Great Trek culminating in the battle of Blood River



Zulu Town Comedies

1917

Comedy

Various locations of KZN

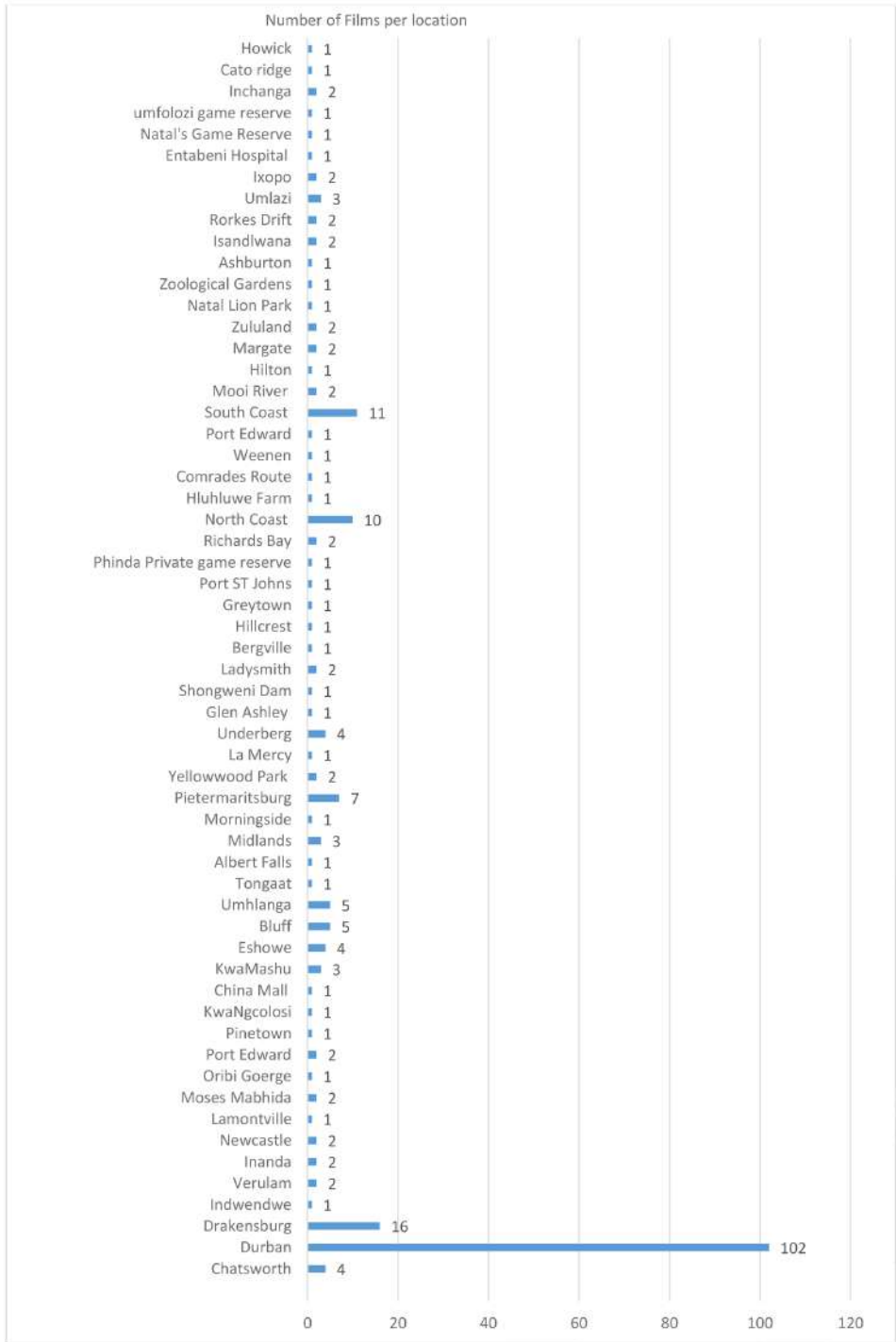
Directed by Dick Cruickshanks

A Zulu's Devotion

1916

KZN

Directed by Joseph Albrecht. A farmer and his family take care of an injured Zulu, who repays their kindness by becoming a devoted servant who rescues their daughter when she is kidnapped by villainous (white) cattle thieves.



Summary

The study found that there are 146 feature films that were shot in KZN between 1916- 2020. Most of the films were shot around Durban, mainly along the beach. The study further revealed that the Valley of thousand hills in Pinetown, Pietermaritzburg and surroundings, the Drakensberg mountains and Hluhluwe nature reserve are preferred film locations in the province.

In terms of the draft municipal bylaws. Municipalities will be required to report quarterly on filming activity, this will further enhance the availability and accuracy of data available to the KZNFC to maintain this data going forward.

Recommendations

The following are the recommendations on how to take this project forward: -

- a) To continually update the template and gradually include micro budget films, so that KZNFC can create its own repository of the history of the film industry in the province;
- b) To explore the option of establishing an information portal for the organisation where important information will be loaded into the portal so that the public can access it for educational or leisure purposes. The information will also be used to create a filmtourism map that people who visit KZNFC webpage could learn about the films that were shot in the province since 1916;
- c) This information could also be integrated (portal) with the film locations in the province. This will then form a package to market the province and attract filmmakers and tourists to come to visit and do business in the province. Furthermore, the information will assist the filmmaker to choose the best locations for their projects.
- d) The integrated portal guide will provide a comprehensive, thoroughly researched and frequently updated information for filmmakers across the spectrum.
- e) The Film-Tourism strategy requires the development of film-tourism routes and enhancing product packages through film. The information contained in this document will feed into the action plan contained in the film-tourism strategy.

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