

Feature film and commercials producer Tendeka Matatu joins Muti Films

Tendeka Matatu, feature film and commercials producer, has joined Muti Films, an up-and-coming Johannesburg-based production house known for its cross-cultural insights and the international flavour of its work.

Muti Films was launched in 1998 by Brazilian-born director Guto Bussab who has directed numerous commercials locally and internationally for brands like British Airways, Barloworld, Sunday Independent, LG Eletronics, MTN and ABSA Bank.

Matatu's producing credits include Teddy Mattera's debut feature film Max and Mona, and the highly anticipated Crazy Monkey's "Straight Outta Benoni" which is due for release later this year. Matatu has also acted as associate producer on Richard E. Grant's directorial debut Wah Wah, starring Gabriel Byrne and Emily Watson.

Early in his career Matatu had the opportunity to work with renowned commercials director Tony Kaye in London. After four years of producing commercials and music videos he went on to produce several documentaries and short films in London, Zimbabwe and South Africa. In 2003 he joined Dv8 Films where he produced his first feature film Max and Mona. The film was released locally in March and has played at numerous festivals around the world picking up several awards, including Best New Film at FESPACO, Best Film at the Panafricana Festival in Rome and Best Script at the Cape Town World Cinema Festival.

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