



SYNOPSIS

Soccer is more than a game. All across Africa people are using soccer to lift themselves up, to create change in their communities and to pave the way for progress. *THE BEAUTIFUL GAME*, a new documentary feature film, travels across Africa to follow six unforgettable, dynamic Africans who are beating the odds on and off the pitch. Stunning visuals, great music, and interviews with some of Africa's most famous leaders and players build on those six stories to create a new vision of Africa. Soccer fan or not, *THE BEAUTIFUL GAME* will inspire and move you.

ABOUT THE FILMMAKERS

Filmmaker's Statement

Our great inspiration for THE BEAUTIFUL GAME is to present a new, more dynamic vision of Africa. Director Victor Buhler worked as a cameraman for news organizations for many years and learnt at first hand how the West only sees part of the African story. The incredible resourcefulness, determination and resilience of Africans often get framed out. And there's no stronger bond across Africa than the love for soccer: almost every African shares a deep connection to the sport. THE BEAUTIFUL GAME tells the story of a new generation of Africans through the joy, passion and heartbreak of soccer.

Biographies

Director Victor Buhler has made a number of award-winning documentary and fiction films. His feature documentaries include "Rikers High" – nominated for an Emmy and winner at the Tribeca Film Festival – and the upcoming "A Whole Lott More". Victor has also written and directed television drama both in the US and in the UK. Please visit www.victorbuhler.net

Producer Julian Cautherley is an award-winning director and producer whose projects have participated at festivals such as Sundance, Deauville, Tribeca, and Hot Docs. Julian recently produced the feature drama CROSSTOWN, set in Los Angeles. Previous projects for Julian include the award-winning documentary ROCK PAPER SCISSORS: A GEEK TRAGEDY.

FILM CREDITS

as appears in end credits roll

Director

Victor Buhler

Producers

Julian Cautherley

Jason Mercer

Tom Michel

Executive Producers

Kola Aluko

Kojo Annan

Marcus Glover

Brian Klein

Houston King

Jason Lust

Co-Executive Producer

David Davoli

Co-Producers

Joel Plotch

Dylan Voogt

Associate Producers

Leke Adebayo

Don Mullan

Editor

Joel Plotch

Co-Editors

Julian Cautherley

Jeff Gilbert

Cinematography

Nic Hofmeyr

Composer

Andrew Gross

Music Supervisor

Joe Paganelli

South Africa Production Services

Moonlighting Films

Unit Producer - Africa

Dylan Voogt

Assistant Producer

Paul Angell

Additional Cinematographers

Paul Angell
Ashraf Badrawi
Victor Buhler
Julian Cautherley
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Tim LaValley
Jason Mercer
Philip Murungi
Steve Roberts
Aymae Sulick
Alessio Valori
Jason Whittinghill

Sound Recordists

Adjetey
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Brendan-John Allen
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Mandla Mlambo
Musa Radebe
Gentry Smith
Greg Young

Visual Effects & Motion Graphics

Tim LaValley

Visual Identity

Wanna Camcam
Platform Inc.

Archivist

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Chloe Bystrom
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Production Unit - US

Production Coordinator - Johnny Parker
Production Support - Marie Stein,
Juliana Farrell, Gina Vecchione, Kristof Ruzics
Production Intern - Ric Arguelles,
Interns - Thiago Sa Frere, Marcus Sharpe, Stephanie Chan

Production Unit - UK/Europe

Production Coordinator - Alice Cutler
Outreach Coordinator - Leke Adebayo
Director's Assistant - Paul Angell

Production Unit - South Africa

Production Coordinators - Jade Hamilton, Kelleigh Wessels
Researcher - Jarryd Coetsee
Drivers - Thomas Lishi, Thuli Baloi
French translator - Delphine Saltel
Interviewer (de Klerk) - Donald Paul
Harvey World Travel - Carol Riedt & Renée Leatt

Production Unit - Egypt

Production Services - Video Cairo
Production Manager - Sarah Basyouny
Fixer - Mohammed Bibo

Production - Nigeria

Fixers - Osasu Obayiuwana, Walter Taylaur,
Ola Okonrende
Production Services - Royal Roots -
Gregory Odutayo & Debbie Odutayo

Production - Ivory Coast

Fixer - Ali Bamba
Production Assistant - Mamadou Toure
Football consultant - Severin Bohui

Production - Kenya

Production Services - Blue Sky Productions
Fixer - Victor Munyafu

Production - Ghana

2nd Unit Director & Producer - Mantse Aryeequaye
Fixer - Victor Okondor

Digital/Online/Web Consultant

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