

Andile wants to help aspiring filmmakers

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HE GAVE up a good job as a cameraman at a leading broadcaster to do what he loves the most.

Andile Buwa has become a successful scriptwriter, producer and director. He also has a diploma in Video Technology from Durban University of Technology.

He told *Daily Sun* he's been in the industry for a few years.

He's ready to guide aspiring youths who want to make it as film artists.

Andile said: "The film industry is one of the most exciting but neglected entertainment sectors in our province.

"We've created structures that will hopefully pave the way for us to be recognised and financed by the government."

Apart from helping developing young film artists, Andile has been instrumental in the formation of the eThekwinini Filmmakers Association.

The association will serve as a platform to build unity among film artists. They will use the structure to campaign for recognition and funding.



Andile Buwa is making his presence felt in the film industry.

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"We conduct workshops to help keen youths learn the basics of scriptwriting, producing, directing and marketing of their productions," he said.

Andile wrote, produced and directed his first short film, *The Puzzle*, which was shown on SABC1 in 2007.

In 2008 he released another film, *The Secret*, which

was shown on DStv channel Mzansi Magic.

He said that at the end of this month he will release another film.

He said: "This forthcoming film is an adaptation of a book titled *The Furnace of Love* written by the KZN-born author Gcwalisile Zulu-Khabanyana, who now lives in Cape Town.