Blitz Patrollie
Diprente Films

Presents

Blitz Patrollie

Directed by Andrew Wessels

Written by Kagiso Lediga

Produced by Kagiso Lediga, John Volmink and Isaac Mogajane

Edited by Tanja Hagen and Andrew Wessels

Synopsis

Blitz Patrollie chronicles the adventures of Rummy Augustine (Joey Rasdien) and his partner, Ace Dikolobe (David Kau), police officers who have had the misfortune of being stationed in a little known depot in the belly of the Johannesburg CBD. Rummy is bogged down with trying to start a family and an overbearing mother-in-law who just won’t move out. The overzealous Ace, on the other hand, can think of nothing better to do in the morning than to put on his “lucky” bulletproof vest and head out to kick some bad guy ass.

Whilst in a poor white neighbourhood, trying to solve yet another small-time crime, Rummy and Ace, along with their inept sniper colleagues, accidentally stumble upon a massive drug haul. What ensues is a series of mishaps as the duo encounter some of the city’s craftiest crooks in a race against time to catch the bad guys and claim their place in crime fighting glory.

Starring South Africa’s most popular comedic talent, Blitz Patrollie is an original and irreverent comedy that pushes boundaries and delivers thrills and laughs from beginning to end.
Technical Information

TITLE: Blitz Patrollie  
YEAR OF PRODUCTION: 2013  
DURATION: 140min  
COUNTRY OF PRODUCTION: South Africa  
GENRE: Action/Comedy  
PRODUCTION FORMAT: HD  
SCREENING FORMAT: HDCAM 24fps  
RATIO: 16:9  
LANGUAGE: English

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## Principal Cast

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Director’s Statement

The story goes back quite far. My relationship with Kagiso started fifteen years ago. What first appealed to me about this script was that when you read something from the head of a person who thinks about film like Kagiso does, it reads like film. I just really enjoyed the way the story moved and how there were parallel plots unfolding at some points. It’s a very visual script. It was written beautifully and well visualized. What was really great about this film is that it’s the situation that creates the comedy and the cast that we chose and the way we approached those characters as serious parts. I know that the approach is sound and I know that the approach is honest and I know that the approach was pushed through.
Biographies

**Director/Editor: Andrew Wessels**

Andrew Wessels is an award winning director/editor with 15 years of experience in the film industry. He has worked on everything from music videos and music television to documentaries, drama, films, commercials and corporate films.

At present Andrew is also busy directing and editing a documentary which follows UK artist, Daniel Bedingfield on his recent tour in South Africa as well as being Technical Director and Executive Producer on the popular South African News Parody show, Late Nite News with Loyiso Gola.

Between 2005 and 2009 Andrew was also the drummer and creative force behind the hugely successful rock band, Cassette. The band toured 23 countries between 2007 and 2008 and, out of 5 nominations, won “best rock band” at the 2007 SAMA awards for their first album “Welcome Back To Earth”. His involvement in music has been a big part of his film life and his edits tend to be dynamic and well integrated because of his understanding of music.

Andrew has an intimate, well rounded first-hand knowledge of all aspects of production, making him a technical and creative force in the industry.

**Writer/Producer: Kagiso Lediga**
Kagiso Lediga is a South African stand-up comedian, actor, producer, writer and television presenter best known for creating, writing, producing and starring in the SABC1 sketch comedy series Pure Monate Show, from 2003-2004. He was a writer and co-lead in the South African movie Bunny Chow, which won awards at the Toronto, Los Angeles, Sydney and Melbourne Film Festivals. He also won the Best Actor Award at the Cape Town Film Festival.

Pure Monate Show, which he produced, wrote and performed in, was nominated in nine categories at the inaugural South African Film and Television Awards (SAFTAs), in 2006. As the anchor of the show he became a household name. He went on to play roles on various other television shows, including Sorted, Hard Copy, Evita Live and Dangerous, Comedy Showcase, The Toasty Show, Phat Joe Live, Laugh out Loud, Quickies 2 and SOS. Kagiso produced, wrote and acted in Blitz Patrollie and is an executive producer and director of the hit comedy show, The Late Nite News Show with Loyiso Gola.

**Producer:** Isaac Mogajane

After completing an economics degree at the University of Natal and The University of Michigan, Isaac began his career as a key account manager at Procter & Gamble, South Africa. During his time there, Isaac developed strong sales and strategy skills which serve well in his current position as an owner and producer of a film and television production company.

After starting up and running a forex trading business in late 2004, Isaac decided to follow his passion and form a film and television production company with two partners, John Volmink and Kagiso Lediga. In the two and a half years that Diprente has been operational, the company has managed to produce a major South Africa feature film called Blitz Patrollie, as well as a number of successful television series and shows. Isaac’s role in the company entails project development, packaging, fund raising and marketing.
Producer: John Volmink

In 2009, John cofounded Diprente Films, a media company which specialises in the production of premium television, film and live content. John co-founded Diprente Films with Kagiso Lediga and Isaac Mogajane. He produced the much anticipated Blitz Patrollie, a major South African comedy feature film which enjoyed a theatrical release in May 2013. His company also produces Late Nite News with Loyiso Gola, South Africa’s premier weekly political satire television show which keeps politicians from all parties on their toes and the audience in stitches. John lends his financial experience to allow Diprente to package and finance international feature films in South Africa.

After achieving his Honours in economics from the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal, he joined JPMorganChase Bank as an analyst in Mergers and Acquisitions. He then completed a rigorous 2 month training course in New York and returned to South Africa where he worked on various local and international projects. During his tenure at JPMorgan, John was the lead analyst advising Alexander Forbes on their $1,200mm take private transaction. John was also the lead analyst on United Bank for Africa’s $300mm international equity offering. John also participated in a successful defence of a JSE Top 40 corporate client against a hostile bid by activist investors.

Lead Actor: Joey Rasdien
Joey Rasdien is the face of a new generation of South African comedy. He is instantly recognisable thanks to his roles in movies such as *Running Riot*, *Bunny Chow*, *Vaatjie Sien Sy Gat*, *Dollars and White Pipes*, *Outrageous Blitz Patrollie* and “Material” with Riaad Moosa. Joey wrote, co-produced and acted in his own sitcom “Rasdien” which was flighted on SABC 2.

In addition, Rasdien has performed in many major comedy festivals in South Africa and is a regular on the comedy circuit at the country’s leading venues. He also starred in the popular *Last Laugh at The Lyric* and *The Pure Monate Show* on SABC 1. Joey has also performed at the prestigious comedy venue Yuk Yuks in Toronto.

**Lead Actor:** David Kau

One of the most sought-after comedians in South Africa, David Kau's name is synonymous with many firsts. He stormed onto the scene with a performance at the 1998 Smirnoff Comedy Festival in Cape Town, 1998, becoming the first black stand-up comedian on this coveted comedy stage.

In 2001 David appeared in sketches on the TV show, The Phat Joe Show. Having already carved out a niche in the market as the best black comedian in the country – if not the only, David left Cape Town for Johannesburg where he performed in "Heavyweight Comedy Jams" from 2000 and "Comedy Black Out" in 2002 till 2004. The line-up included budding comedians Kagiso Lediga, Tshepo Mogale and Roni Modimola.

He has also starred in a feature film, *Hoteleng*, and also appeared on screen in *Gums and Noses* and Akin Omotoso's *God Is African*. From the big screen to the small one, in 2008 David became the face and head judge of Fanta's *So You Think You’re Funny* reality show. He has recently taken his film career to the next level by playing the lead role in the feature, *Blitz Patrollie*. 