

# UNITED NATIONS **FORESTS FOR PEOPLE** AWARDS

## International Forests Short Film Festival



### WINNING SHORT FILM | **AMAZING GRACE**

#### ABOUT THE FILM MAKER



**Rowan Pybus** (South Africa) is an award-winning Cape Town filmmaker and photographer. His company Makhulu ("Big") opened in 2003 and is established as a leading South African production house for live events.

Rowan created content for global brands including Red Bull, Volkswagen and Adidas, directing and producing music videos for bands like Jeremy Loops and The Dirty Skirts. His collaboration with artist Faith47 created several acclaimed short films exhibited across Europe.

Rowan supports NGOs assisting impoverished communities across Africa, helping to raise their profiles, and is a founding member of Greenpop.

Creativity and originality are paramount. "New technologies are being developed all the time and I enjoy combining technological innovation with new ways of thinking. That is what enables me to tell stories in unconventional ways."

Career highlights include filming the Volkswagen World Junior Masters, video travelogue for Africa Travel Co., street art projects in The Gambia, touring the USA with SA's biggest band, and helping save Victoria Falls from rampant deforestation.

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