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## The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Meli - 2007/08/31 00:08

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What do you think about this film? What do you think about the fact that this is the first film to be made about Idi Amin, as the president of Uganda, and it's fiction? Isn't there enough material of real things that hapenned to us real people in Uganda to necessitate fabricating events? Isn't the true story, the things that happened to our people not interesting enough?

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by omumbejja - 2007/08/31 06:54

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Bagamba nti omwaami wataba ebikere byetimba enju oyo omweeru eyayisibwa obubi bwaaty bwaaba yali ayagala kulaga mazima lwaaki yalinda Amin namala okufa? ekyo sikye bagamba nti gusinze mufu ye lwaaki teyajja nanonyereza mu Uganda abantu abakosebwa mubiseera bya Amin? Yye lwaaki teyatandikila waggulu batendeka Amin Abangereza natandikila eyo okkolerayo ssente kuba eno film yakkola ssente kyokka nakutulisa biwundu byaabo abayita mubulumu mumulembe ogwo .Yyebanange ekikuleeta ewo mutemu nokakkalabya emilimu gyo siyenza kitegeera. Omanyi ekintu ekiri ku beeru bwebaba omuntu tanakwaata kuwaabwe nebwaaba mutemu atya, batunula eri bballi mmwe nemufa naye, bwakwaata kuwaabwe bonna olwo nebavaayo si nsi emu yokka, naye zonna ensi zabeeru nezegatta batere bajjeko omutemu .Nti bbo abaddugavu ababadde babonabona kulwomutemu oyo ebbanga lyonna nga mubade temubayamba? eno yeemu kufilm etemmalira biseera nze ndowooza abantu baffe babonyebonye nnyo ngateli afaayo, ngojeeeko nti nganabatayagala musaayi waabwe bebasooka okuwagila abakozi bebibi.

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Meli - 2007/08/31 20:16

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Aba British abakola Film eno e Uganda balina ebibuuzo bino byeebuza ku extra features eza DVD yaabwe eno:

1. How will Ugandans react to this interpretation of their history?
2. How does their view of Idi Amin differ from that of the west?
3. How do you place a fictional story into a historical setting?
4. Is it possible to separate the real Idi Amin from the strange and bizzare stories that surround him?

Anyone wanna indulge them?

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Meli - 2007/08/31 20:39

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Film Crew's Commets;

Giles Foden - Wrote the book seven years ago; His book and film inspired by real people and real events.

Kevin McDonald -Directed the Film; "Apart from Mandela, Idi Amin is the most famous African ever in history. Something about him is more fictional than real. He represents all that is worst and savage in the dark continent. Cannibalism and witchcraft, multiple partners..."

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Forest Whitaker -Actor(Idi Amin); "I am sensitive about his portrayal as an African figure.

Kerry Washington -actress(Kay Amin); "People are still sensitive about her story"

Abbey Mukiibi -Actor(Masanga); In the west, people don't know where Uganda is, but they know Amin. We must strive to make the country bigger than Amin."

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Bandi - 2007/08/31 21:46

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Idi Amin proclaimed himself conquerer of the British Empire and offered to be the King of Scotland. Watching the film, I think he really did like the Scots, because of his Scottish superiors in the army. He even gave two of his sons Scottish names. Otherwise, I would have thought he was trying on the British that divide and rule tactic. I would say his foreign policy was the most daring Africa has ever seen.

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Kalibattanya - 2007/09/01 00:34

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Yasoma history ya Buganda nalaba ba Kabaka webakoma, yye weyatandikira. Kyatamanya ku bwa Kabaka bwa Buganda, nga nabalala bangi ebweeru ne munda mu Uganda, nti Kabaka yayogera ekisemba, naye ssi yekka yayogera. Omuntu omu okuba nga yekka yamala ebikwata ku mateeka ge ggwanga tekisoboka. Gyekyaggwera nga abantu bangi abamuli okumpi bonna balina obuyinza obutaliko kipimo. Ekyo nakyo kyayamba mu kuttibwa kwa bantu abangi. Naye nga mu Film munnamawulire omusajja bweyagamba nti Abangereza bakola ekisodde kyaabwe ekyokuzanyisa, nekifuna obulamu nekibakyuukira nekigamba nti BBBOOOOO!! Emisinde! Nabuli kati bakyadduka.

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Phad - 2007/09/03 23:14

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Well,this isnt the very 1st Film about Idi Amin,I recall we were still toddlers when a Film about Amin " The Rise and Fall of Idi Amin" was released.

I think this was during the Obote 2 era.

Though this was a pioneer,The Last King of Scotland stands out,in terms of Production, Casting and the Screenplay. With modern technology,in my opinion it played a great role in shaping what many called a success,and a true portrayal of the man.

Whereas Rise and Fall was shot on location in neighbouring Kenya,to give it a true African taste,this was shot on the Ugandan soil,making it portray more of what you would expect as content.

With regards to both Idi Amin characters,I think Rise and Fall's Joseph Olita had a closer resemblance to Amin than The Last King Of Scotland's Forest Whitaker.

Overall,The Last King Of Scotland excelled in more ways than most

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Kalibattanya - 2007/09/04 02:09

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Phad you remember a film that was released when you were a toddler? OR you remember seeing it in the Bisakaate when you were a teenager? Back to the point, In the DVD extras, they talk about this being the first film on Idi Amin as president after his death. Becasue there was also the on about the Raid On Entebbe.

I agree with you that this film had better picture and maybe audio quality than the tohers before it. I think both actor who played Amin were as convincing can be, but I've always liked Whitaker's work. And Washington was very good too in her role as Kay.

Now let's look at the substance-

Meli quoted;

Kevin McDonald -Directed the Film; "Apart from Mandela, Idi Amin is the most famous African ever in history. Something about him is more fictional than real. He represents all that is worst and savage in the dark continent. Cannibalism and witchcraft, multiple partners..."

Saying these words, wasn't this director disrespecting us African people? This film showed an Amin of a weak character who depended on a freshly graduated white wee-doctor to tell him what to do. The writers knowledge of the forces that motivated Amin is wanting.

I for one take fiction for somekind of a joke, and as a Ugandan I don't feel it's yet time to joke about this.

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## Re:The Last King Of Scotland

Posted by Phad - 2007/09/04 14:25

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Kalibattanya wrote:

Phad you remember a film that was released when you were a toddler? OR you remember seeing it in the Bisakaate when you were a teenager?

Spot on Kalibatanya.

Though to paint a picture and being a bit more precise, I was in Primary 2,when it was brought for viewing ku somero,one sunday evening.I remember lower primary students sat on the floor,and i was among those. And some years later, I managed to watch it again, during the Bisaakaate Video boom years,but this time I had to pay, and sat on a Bench!

Well, that was a stroll down the memory lane!

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