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Tomaselli, Keyan G., Shepperson, Arnold and Eke, Maureen (1999), 'Towards a Theory of Orality in African Cinema', in Kenneth W. Harrow (ed.), *African Cinema: Postcolonial and Feminist Readings*, Trenton, NJ/ Asmara, Eritrea: Africa World Press, pp. 45–71.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Beittel, Mark (1990), 'Mapantsula: Cinema, Crime and Politics on the Witwatersrand', *Journal of Southern African Studies*, 16: 4, pp. 751–760.

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 Mhando, Martin (2002), 'Approaches to African cinema study', <http://www.sensesofcinema.com/contents/00/8/african.html>. Accessed 07 January 2008.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Richie, Peter (2007), 'Bunnychow a Taste of South Africa', *Sunday Times*, 28 September, p. 15.

THESIS

Oosthuysen, Chantel (1997), 'Intertextuality in the Soap Opera Egoli: Culture and Consumption', Masters thesis, Durban: University of KwaZulu-Natal at Durban.

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