Viva Budaza!

A PART-TIME art teacher in Guguletu and member of the Moubray Community Arts Project has won a one-year Italian Government scholarship.

Hamilton Budaza, 23, left, is the second member of the project to win an Italian scholarship.

The artist leaves on August 30 and will be based at the Perugia School. He expects to return to full-time teaching at the Roma School in Guguletu when he arrives back in South Africa next year.

Budaza was delighted at the prospect of going to Italy.

"Art in the Western Cape is of a very low standard. We must build it up. Other artists must use and expand their talents," he said.

Mr Derek Joubert, organiser of the project, said Budaza was a very dedicated artist and deserved the scholarship.

There are so few opportunities for black artists in South Africa, so few places where they can study," Budaza's first exhibition is currently on display in the Gowlett Gallery in Cape Town.