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Bloody Sunday film-maker to make drama on McCartneys

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THE producer of high-profile dramas about Bloody Sunday and the controversial murder of a black teenager is expected to make a film about the murder of Robert McCartney.

Mark Redhead's project, The Murder of Robert McCartney, has not been officially confirmed although a script has been written.

Mr Redhead, head of drama at TV production company Hat Trick Productions, produced Bloody Sunday, a dramatic recreation of events leading to the murder of 14 people in Derry on January 30 1972, with James Nesbitt as civil rights leader Ivan Cooper.

It is believed the Robert McCartney film will be at least partly based on Walls of Silence, an account by his

sister Catherine McCartney of the family's campaign to raise awareness of the killing, which happened three years ago this month.

Paula McCartney said she understood filming would take place in Belfast and on location in parts of the world visited by the McCartneys and Mr McCartney's partner Bridgeen Hagans during their campaign, including the White House.

It will also be intercut with news footage of the sisters.

She said the family had met Mr Redhead "umpteenth times," first hearing from him about a month after Robert was murdered outside Magennis's Bar in Belfast on 31 January 2005.

"A few film-makers were interested and we were very dubious at first," Ms McCartney said.

"But we thought our input would be much better if we want to get as close to the truth as humanly possible."

She praised Mr Redhead for his interest.

"He is absolutely committed and genuine about it," she said.

She said the family expected to hear casting suggestions from Mr Redhead, who could not be reached for comment yesterday.

One man has been charged with Mr McCartney's murder.

Terence Davidson (50) from Stanfield Place in the Markets area, denies murder.

His trial could start around Easter.