MARTIN GOOCH



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BIOGRAPHY: I started as a Runner in 1994 on **Judge Dredd** and worked my way up to award winning **Director.** I wrote and directed 20+ short films and was a runner up with **BBC Talent: Best New Director** in 2001 and 2002: the only person to have ever won twice. I went on to direct **Doctors** (BBC), which won best On Screen Chemistry at the ITV Soap Awards and **Hollyoaks** (C4), which won Best Soap for the first time during my tenure. I directed the live action for **Spooks Interactive**, which won a BAFTA and was nominated for an EMMY. I spent 5 years (part time) working with Actors at E15 Drama School, which gave me a huge opportunity to nurture talent and develop my blocking and directing style. I was a winner with the inaugural ARRI Trinity Challenge, to shoot a short film all in one take. My film **A Midwinter Night's Dream** won several awards and screened at film festivals including Fright Fest, DragonCon, Cameraimage, London Independent and Oxford.

I spent 15 years in the camera department on 200 TV shows and 13 feature films including **Harry Potter** and **The Muppets** as well as **East Enders**, **Robot Wars** and **Big Brother** as a training ground to become a director. I have written and directed four feature films (Top 16% of UK directors) **Death** (2012) **The Search for Simon**, (2013), **The Gatehouse** (2015) and **Atomic Apocalypse** (aka **Black Flowers** World Premiere at Sitges International Film Festival 2018). My films have screened at festivals across the world, picked up international distribution and won many awards. **Death** and **The Search For Simon** are being re-released in 2020/2021. **Atomic Apocalypse** has just been released in North America. I have directed Live Action, Motion Control, Motion Capture, Stunts and complicated VFX and CGI. I have worked in all genres from serious drama to fantasy, sci-fi, mystery and comedy. I have more than 1000 days on set experience.

FEATURE FILMS

Darkheart Manor,(Mystery/Comedy),Writer/DirectorAtomic Apocalypse (aka Black Flowers),(Post Apocalyptic/Sci-Fi)Writer/DirectorThe Gatehouse,(Fantasy),Writer/DirectorThe Search for Simon,(Sci-Fi/Comedy),Writer/DirectorDeath,(Ghost story/Drama)Writer/Director

TV DRAMA

Doctor Who, TV Drama SeriesShadow Director to Jennifer PerrottVersailles, TV Drama SeriesShadow Director to Ed Bazalgette

The Dragon Detective, TV drama PILOT Writer/Director

Spooks Interactive, BAFTA WINNER & EMMY Nominated 2008DirectorHeavy Rain, Live action content for PlayStation gameDirectorHollyoaks, 2007/2008, Lime Pictures/Channel 4,Director

10 Episodes

Doctors, Drama Series, BBC1 Director

8 Episodes

TV

This Happened: Claudia Brucken Live at The Scala, TV Movie
Stargate, Sony. New season live action trailer

Spooks Code 9, Drama, Webisodes, Kudos,
Dead Ringers, Comedy Series, BBC 2

Big Brother, East Enders, Dream Team, Robot Wars,

Director

Trainee Director

Camera Operator

COMMERCIALS

Ford Ka, Benefit Cosmetics, BMW, Kenko Coffee, Bizarre Magazine Director

SELECTED SHORT FILMS

A Midwinter Night's Dream, ARRI Trinity Challenge one-shot short film
Arthur's Amazing Things, Nicked Films, Short Film
Writer/Director
The Orgasm Raygun, Whatever Pictures, Short Film
Writer/Director

AWARDS/NOMINATIONS

Winner: BAFTA & EMMY Nomination (Spooks Interactive 2008).

My films have won/been nominated for more than 50 awards including: 5x Best Director wins, 5x

Best Film wins, 3x Audience Awards and voted Best of the Fest at the Raindance Film Festival.

The London Film Review voted The Search for Simon one of the Top Ten British Comedy Movies of 2013.

EDUCATION BA (Joint Hons), 1995 in Fine Art with Radio, Film &TV, Christ Church College. **MASTERS DEGREE** Screenwriting University of the Arts London (2010).

Member of BAFTA, Groucho Club and Directors UK.

Showreel: vimeo.com/435082090

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Atomic Apocalypse Award Wins 2019/2020

Best Director (Martin Gooch)

World Fest-Houston

Best Director Martin Gooch

International Independent Film Awards

Hollywood New Directors Awards Martin Gooch

Honourable Mention

Best Narrative Feature

International Independent Film Awards

Best Screenplay

International Independent Film Awards

Best Actress in a Leading Role Krista DeMille

International Independent Film Awards

Best Actress in a Leading Role Krista DeMille

Southampton International Film Festival

Best Actress in a Leading Role Krista DeMille

Berlin Sci-Fi Film Festival

Best Supporting Actor William Mark McCullough

Southampton International Film Festival

Nominations

Best Film, Best Director, Best Cinematographer, Best Actress in a leading role Andrea Sweeney-

Blanco

Southampton International film festival

Best Film

Central Florida Film Festival

Best Film

GenCon USA

A Midwinter Night's Dream Award Wins 2019/2020

Best Film

Trinity Challenge Arri Media/Directors UK

Best Fantasy Film

London Independent film Festival

Festival screenings Atomic Apocalypse & A Midwinter Night's Dream

World Premiere Sitges International film Festival

US Premiere World Fest Houston (Award Winner)

UK Premiere Sci-Fi London, Prince Charles Cinema.

Gen-Con USA

Central Florida Film Festival

LUSCA Fantastic Film Festival

Weyauwega International Film Festival

Berlin Sci-Fi Festival

Garden State Film Festival

The ift Off Sessions, London, Los Angeles and New York.

Southampton International Film Festival

Iowa Indy Film festival

Trinity Screening, London

London Directors UK

BSC Showcase, London

Oxford International Film Festival, UK

Fright Fest, UK

DragonCon, Atlanta

Cannes International Film Festival

London Independent Film Festival

Raindance Film Festival

Sci-Fi London.

Pyrkon Festival of the Fantastic, Poland.

CameraImage, special screening, Poland.

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