

Michael Cumming

Director

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Michael Cumming is an award winning director and filmmaker, successfully working at the cutting edge since the '90s. A graduate of the legendary Royal College of Art Film School and recipient of an honorary doctorate for his groundbreaking television work, Dr Cumming's directing work combines a strong visual sense with a talent for capturing extraordinary performances. It includes the controversial 'Brass Eye' series and his feature film documentary about it 'Oxide Ghosts', five series of political pranks and polemics on 'The Mark Thomas Product', cult classic 'Snuff Box', Jo Brand's improvised comedy drama 'Going Forward' and three series of Matt Berry's BAFTA winning sitcom, 'Toast Of London' and it's follow up, 'Toast of Tinseltown'.

FEATURE FILM

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	PROJECT DETAILS
2020/21	King Rocker (Director / Editor / Exec-producer)	Feature film documentary with Stewart Lee
2017	Oxide Ghosts: The Brass Eye Tapes (Director / Producer / Editor / Narrator)	
2015	Across A Lake, Blow the Hill (Director / Producer / Editor / Co-Writer)	Short film Shown as part of 'The Less Familiar: How Artists Work With Buildings'

TELEVISION

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2022	Toast Of Tinseltown (Director)	Objective Fiction / BBC2	Series director
2021	Sandylands 2 (Director)	King Bert / UKTV	Series director
2020	SANDYLANDS (Director)	King Bert / UKTV	Series director Comedy drama series. Starring David Williams, Hugh Bonneville, Sanjeev Bhashkar, Sophie Thompson & Simon Bird
2016	GOING FORWARD	BBC4	Improvised comedy drama series starring Jo Brand

2013-2015	TOAST OF LONDON	C4	WINNER: Best Actor - Matt Berry BAFTA 2015 WINNER: Best Sitcom - Rose d'Or and British Comedy Awards 2014 NOMINATED: Best Sitcom BAFTA 2014
2012	GITTINS	C4	Broadcast pilot starring David Earl
2012	THE UNSPEAKABLE PLAY	C4	Toast Of London broadcast pilot
2012	MARK STEEL'S IN... LEITH	BBC Red Button	Multi-camera director
2012	ALAN DAVIES: LIFE IS PAIN		DVD of Alan's live show recorded at the Hammersmith Apollo
2011	SHOW ME THE FUNNY	ITV	Multi-camera director
2010	STEWART LEE 41st BEST STAND UP EVER	Comedy Central	Multi-camera director
2007-2009	THE OMID DJALILI SHOW	BBC1	Location & studio director/co-writer
2008-2009	STEWART LEE'S COMEDY VEHICLE (Pilot & Series 1)	BBC2	Location & multi-camera director
2007	THE PETER SERAFINOWICZ SHOW (Pilot & Series)	BBC2	
2007	LENNY HENRY: SO MUCH THINGS TO SAY	BBC1	Multi-camera director
2007	MARK THOMAS: SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIMINAL	Tricycle Theatre	DVD of his stand up show recorded at the Tricycle Theatre
2006	TOUCH ME I'M KAREN TAYLOR (Pilot & Special)	BBC3	Location & studio director
2006	SNUFF BOX	BBC3	Matt Berry & Rich Fulcher's cult comedy
2006	DOWN THE LINE: BEHIND THE MICROPHONE	BBC Red Button	Whitehouse & Higson documentary Director/producer/camera
2004-2005	THE LENNY HENRY SHOW	BBC	Location & studio director
2004-2005	MARK STEEL LECTURES	BBC	BAFTA Nominated
2003	THREE NON BLONDES (Series 1)	BBC	
2002	THE SECRET MAP OF BRITAIN	C4	Mark Thomas 60' special. Co-director
1997-2002	MARK THOMAS PRODUCT	C4	Location & studio director
2001	WORLD OF PUB	BBC2	Sitcom starring Peter Serafinowicz, Kevin Eldon and Phil Cornwell

2001	BREMNER, BIRD & FORTUNE'S EXIT POLL	C4	60min special. Location director
2000	JACK DEE'S FULL MOUNTIE	BBC1	Location & multi-camera director
2000	ALISTAIR MCGOWAN'S BIG IMPRESSION	BBC1	Location & studio director. WINNER: British Comedy Awards
1999	ROCK PROFILE (Series 1)	BBC2	Starring Matt Lucas & David Walliams
1999	SHADOWS OF REFLECTION	C4	Kevin Eldon's Comedy Lab
1999	KISS KISS BANG BANG	C4	Cinema Series with Charlie Higson. Series Director
1998	MARK THOMAS ASYLUM BILL	C4	60' special. Location & studio director
1998	RORY BREMNER: FROM BLAIR TO HERE	C4	60' special. Location director
1995-1997	BRASS EYE (2 Pilots & Series)	C4	Location & studio director
1996	THE SUNDAY SHOW (Series 2)	BBC2	USA location director/producer/writer
1995	THE WORD (Series 5)	C4	USA & UK location director/producer/writer
1994	LONELY PLANET: BRAZIL	C4/National Geographic	
1994	OVER THE MOON	C4	30' special. Director/co-producer/writer
1994	AN AFTERNOON ON THE MOON	BBC1	An afternoon on CBBC. Co-producer/location director/co-writer
1993	THE EDGE	ITV	Kids series. Location director
1993	SECRET LIVES	ITV	Documentary Series. Director/producer
1991-1993	THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL	ITV	Studio & Location Director
1989	ERIC WALLACE'S GHOST STORIES	ITV	30' special. Director/producer/writer
1988	TOMORROWS WORLD	BBC1	Location film director/producer/writer

COMMERCIALS

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2017	CRAVENDALE: THE MOONICOW	Wieden & Kennedy	

2016	PILGRIMS CHOICE	Kamarama
2012	STRIDE: MINTACULAR	Wieden + Kennedy
2012	ODDKA	Euro RSCG/Aardman
2002	GLC: ANTI LITTER	Cinema Commercial
2001	MOTOROLA: V BOX	

MUSIC

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY
2020	Gales Doc by The Nightingales (Director)	Fire Films
2019	Pretty Shining People by George Ezra (Director)	Sony Records
2015-2016	SIXTEEN MUSIC FILMS FOR MATT BERRY (Director / Producer / Camera / Editor)	