# Michael Cumming

## Director

Represented by:

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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**

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
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 staring 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	BBC Red Button	Whitehouse & Higson documentary	
	MICROPHONE		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	

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IMPRESSION	2000	JACK DEE'S FULL MOUNTIE	BBC1	Location & multi-camera director
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1988 TOMORROWS WORLD BBC1 Location film director/producer/writer	1988	TOMORROWS WORLD	BBC1	Location film director/producer/writer

## COMMERCIALS

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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)	