

# Jamie Thraves

Writer / Director

Jamie Thraves began making early short experimental films in 1989 at the University of Hull, having previously studied illustration. His graduation film *Scratch* (1991) and *The Take-Out* (1993), a short film made under the BFI New Directors scheme, both went on to win awards at film festivals worldwide. He joined the Royal College of Art in 1993 where he made another award-winning film, *The Hackney Downs* (1995). Thraves directed the short film *I Just Want To Kiss You* in 1997, starring Martin Freeman which won the Fox Searchlight Award for Best Short Film at the Edinburgh International Film Festival in 1998. Thraves made his first feature, *The Low Down* (2000), with Film 4. It starred Aidan Gillen, Kate Ashfield, Tobias Menzies, Dean Lennox Kelly, Adam Buxton and Joe Cornish. The film was named among the "neglected masterpieces" of film history by *The Observer* in its rundown of 50 Lost Movie Classics and featured in Sundance 2001. His second feature, *The Cry of the Owl* (2009), an international co-production with BBC Films, starred Paddy Considine and Julia Stiles. It was based on the novel of the same name by Patricia Highsmith. His third feature film, *Treacle Jr.* (2010), reunited him with Aidan Gillen. At the film's world premiere at the 21st Dinard British Film Festival it won the Hitchcock D'Or - Grand Jury Prize. *Treacle Jr.* had its UK Premiere at the 54th BFI London Film Festival. *Time Out* said of *Treacle Jr.* "Funny, touching and gritty, this coolly rendered observation on need and rejection really is a Brit drama to shout about". Thraves' fourth feature film, *Pickups* (2018), his third to star long-term collaborator Aidan Gillen, premiered at the BFI London Film Festival in 2017. Alongside his Film and TV work, Jamie has directed several prominent music videos. In 1995, he made his breakthrough video in 1995 for Radiohead for their song "Just" which -garnered Thraves a lot of attention for its strong narrative structure and use of subtitles. Thraves has made music videos for many artists over the years including Blur, The Verve and Coldplay and more recently Jake Bugg, Sam Smith and Villagers. His video for Coldplay's "The Scientist" won three Moon Men at the 2003 MTV Video Music Awards in the US, including Best Direction and Breakthrough Video. In 2012, Jamie receive the Icon Award at the UK Music Video Awards. Jamie is currently developing a number of exciting film and TV projects.

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DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2017	PICKUPS - Feature Film		Feature Film UK Premiere: 61st BFI London Film Festival 2017  Starring Aidan Gillen and Antonia Campbell-Hughes
2012	EGGBOX - TV Pilot	Hat Trick	Starring Elizabeth Berrington, Craig Parkinson and Nicholas Burns
2012	THE PROJECTIONIST - Short Film	BFI	Starring Brian Deacon and Charlotte Gascoyne
2010	TREACLE JR - Feature Film	Golden Rule Films/BBC	World Premiere: 21st Dinard British Film Festival WINNER: Hitchcock D'Or - Grand Jury Prize.  UK Premiere: 54th BFI London Film Festival.  "Funny, touching and gritty, this coolly rendered observation on need and rejection really is a Brit drama to shout about" - <i>Time Out</i>
2009	THE CRY OF THE OWL - Feature Film	BBC Films	Based on the novel of the same name by Patricia Highsmith.  Starring Paddy Considine and Julia Stiles
2001	NEGATIVE - Short Film	Oil Factory	



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2000	THE LOW DOWN - Feature Film	Bozie/Film4	Starring Aidan Gillen, Tobias Menzies and Kate Ashfield Sundance 2001
1998	I JUST WANT TO KISS YOU - Short Film		Starring Martin Freeman and Harry Peacock WINNER: Fox Searchlight Award for 'Best Short Film' at the Edinburgh International Film Festival in 1998.
1995	THE HACKNEY DOWNS - Short Film	Channel 4	Starring Graham Martin and Antony Taylor
1994	THE TAKE OUT - Short Film	Oil Factory Films	Starring Louise Delamere