

# Nicole Volavka

## Director

Nicole is an award-winning drama director working across TV, film and commercials. Her pilot for her feature film SEEKERS was funded by the BFI. She was nominated twice for the Cannes Lion Young Director award for her work in commercials. She has directed actors such as Bill Nighy (Love Actually), Sam Claflin (Daisy Jones and The Six), Tom Burke (Furiosa) and Clare-Hope Ashitey (Children of Men). Actress Raki Ayola won Best Actress at the BAFTA CYMRU Awards 2023 for The Pact, for which Nicole was the Lead Director. She holds an MA in Filmmaking from The London Film School and prior to that studied Psychology and Philosophy. Website: <http://nicolevolavka.com/>

### TELEVISION

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2025	LAZARUS	Quay Street/ Amazon	Episodes 3 and 4 Harlan Coben Series
2023	DI RAY (Series II)	HTM Television	Episodes 5 & 6
2022	THE PACT (Series II)	Little Door/ BBC One	Episodes 1, 2 & 3
2021	THE BAY (Series III)	ITV	Episodes 4,5 & 6
2019	THE DUMPING GROUND	CBBC	Directing series
2018	HOLLYOAKS	Lime Pictures/Channel 4	
2017	SILENT WITNESS (Shadow Scheme)	BBC	Shadowing Director on Series 21
2014	DOCTORS	BBC 1	Directed 12 Episodes
2013	THE TUNNEL	Kudos / Sky Atlantic	Second Unit Director

### SHORT FILM

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2015	SEEKERS TEASER	BFI	Teaser for feature film in development: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m0EdmcGCyMk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m0EdmcGCyMk</a>
2012	ONE WRONG WORD	RedCam / Electric Ballroom Productions	10 minutes Starring Paul Ready, Anna Madeley, Tom Burke and Annabel Scholey

2010	LAUNDRY	LFS	22 minutes, 35mm
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In Competition at:  
Rushes Soho Film Festival, London Motovun Film Festival, Croatia Molodist Film Festival, Ukraine  
Women In Direction, Spain

Selected for:  
Cannes Short Film Corner  
Cinemagic Belfast  
Estoril Festival Portugal  
Les Arcs, France  
The London Short Film Festival  
The British Palestine Film Festival 2011

2007	SURVIVOR	LFS	15 minutes, 35mm
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Screened at:  
Pan-African Film Festival, Los Angeles  
East-End Film Festival, London (nominated for Audience Award)  
Brighton Film Festival  
Exodus Refugee Film Festival Exposures Film Festival  
International Community Festival Lodz Mediaschool  
Molodist Film Festival, Kiev

Selected by the British Council for representation

Winner - BEST SCRIPT and BEST ACTOR at the BFM Film Festival, London 2008

The script is being developed into a feature with the BBC Writer's Room

## COMMERCIAL

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2015	FEEL GOOD		A commercial for Lithuanian's No 1 pharmaceutical brand Eurovaistine. 2015.
2012	RAIN		A commercial for a Czech charity for blind children.  *Nominated Golden Drum Award 2013
2011	AUCTION	RedCam / Lucky Man Films	60 seconds  Nominated Young Director Award, Cannes Lions 2011
2008	BARNADO'S "Rubbish"	LFS	30 seconds, 16mm  Nominated for the Young Director Award, Cannes Lions 2009  Winner Special Prize at Porsche Int'l Student Advertising Film Awards 2009
2007	SLIM FAST "Slim Happy"	LFS	30 seconds, 16mm  Winner of Best in Category at the Kodak Student Commercial Awards 2008

