

(1966 -)



Director. Born 1966, Denmark. Graduated in direction from the National Film School of Denmark in 1993, the same year as Thomas Vinterberg and Per Fly.

Madsen enjoyed success with his short fiction 'Sinan's Wedding' (1997) and debuted as feature director with 'Pizza King' (1999), set among a group of young second-generation immigrants who get mixed up with Copenhagen's crime scene.

Madsen contributed to Dogme 95 with the intense psychological drama 'Kira's Reason - A Love Story' (2001), which was followed by 'Angels in Fast Motion' (2005) about three lost souls in a world dominated by hard drugs and desperate addicts. A troubled relationship between husband and wife is at the centre of 'Prague' (2006). Madsen's film about a duo of legendary WWII resistance fighters, 'Flame & Citron' (2008), was a huge boxoffice draw.

'Superclásico' (2011), Madsen's first stab at the comedy genre, was Oscar-shortlisted for Best Foreign Language film. "Itsi Bitsi" (2014), a portrait of a generation and a glimpse of Danish rock history in the 1960s, premiered at Toronto Film Festival. In 2020 he adapted the shooting at Kulturhuset Krudttønden and the synagogue in Copenhagen taking place in 2015.

Madsen is an acclaimed director for the small screen, including the series 'Taxi' (1997) and 'Unit 1' (2000) as well as the six-part post-war noir 'The Spider' (2000). He has also directed several episodes of the US action-drama series 'Banshee' (2013-).

Filmography

Awards

Festivals

◇ Title	◇ Year	◇ Function	◇ Category
The Day We Died	2020	Direction, Screenplay	DK/Feature
Shadow Boxer	2017	Executive producer	DK/Short fiction
Itsi Bitsi	2014	Direction, Screenplay	DK/Feature
Banshee	2013	Direction	TV series
Banshee Origins	2013	Direction	TV series
Superclásico	2011	Direction, Screenplay	DK/Feature
Flame & Citron	2008	Direction, Screenplay	DK/Feature
Prag	2006	Direction, Script	DK/Feature
Nordkraft	2005	Direction, Script	DK/Feature
Kira's Reason - a Love Story	2001	Direction, Script	DK/Feature
Edderkoppen	2000	Direction, Script	TV series
Unit 1	2000	Direction	TV series
Pizza King	1999	Direction, Script	DK/Feature

Sinans bryllup	1997	Direction, Script	DK/Short fiction
TAXA	1997	Direction	TV series
Stormfulde hjerter	1994	Direction, Script	TV film
The end	1993	Direction	DK/Short fiction
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For the Mad Only	1988	Direction, Editing	DK/Documentary