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Composer

Joel Cadbury

Accomplished London-based composer Joel Cadbury's work spans film, documentaries, dance, and stage. No matter if his music is experienced on the big

screen or on stage and beyond, his signature electronic style always fascinates and mesmerises.

For decades, Joel has been the main songwriter and frontman for the rock band sOuth, whose debut album 'From Here On In' was released on James Lavelle's seminal label Mo' Wax. He is also a part of the influential musical group UNKLE as a guitarist and co-writer, and was a featured artist on their albums 'Never, Never Land', 'End Titles' and 'Where Did the Night Fall?' To this day, both groups are lauded for their cutting edge sound and music production – vanguard qualities Joel employs in his scoring as a composer.

His scores for feature films include The Killer Inside Me, based on Jim Thompson's 1950's American noir novel, and the Russell Brand economic disparity documentary The Emperor's New Clothes, both directed by Michael Winterbottom, as well as the armed robbery romantic thriller Comes a Bright Day, and the iconic UK crime thriller Sexy Beast, directed by Jonathan Glazer. Joel recently provided additional music for the HBO limited documentary series The Way Down, as well as scoring the NBC Universal / BBC comedy drama series Dodger, which explores to origins of the beloved character The Artful Dodger.

As a key collaborator of critically acclaimed British choreographer Wayne McGregor, Joel has composed music for dance and ballet performances such as Borderlands, which was performed for the San Francisco Ballet for their 2013 opening gala, Winged Bull in an Elephant Cage, and the soulful electronica score for the forthcoming fantasy adaptation The Dark Crystal: Odyssey, based on Jim Henson's iconic 1982 film.

SELECTED FILMOGRAPHY

The Emperor's New Clothes (2015) Directed by Michael Winterbottom Revolution Films

Comes A Bright Day (2012) Directed by Simon Aboud Ipso Facto Films

Gallop [short film] (2012) Directed by Michael Pearce Homecorp

The Killer Inside Me (2010)
Directed by Michael Winterbottom
Muse Productions / Revolution Films

Sexy Beast [additional original music as South] (2000) Directed by Jonathan Glazer Recorded Picture Company / Film Four

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Fertility Fraudster [forthcoming]
Directed by Josh Allott
Curious Films / Netflix

Still Up (2023) Directed by John Addis Various Artists / Apple TV+

Dodger (2022) Directed by Rhys Thomas NBCUniversal / BBC

Civilisations (2018)
Directed by Ashley Gething, Matthew Hill and Tim Niel
BBC / Nutopia

Shield 5 (2016)
Directed by Anthony Wilcox
Hullabaloo Productions

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THEATRE & DANCE

The Dark Crystal: Odyssey (2023) Directed by Wayne McGregor Company Wayne McGregor

Winged Bull In An Elephant Cage (2018)
Directed by Wayne McGregor and Robin Friend
BBC Performance Live

Borderlands (2013) Directed by Wayne McGregor San Francisco Ballet

2012 London Olympics (2012) Directed by Ravi Deepres and curated by Wayne McGregor Royal Opera House International Olympic Gala

SELECTED DISCOGRAPHY

The Dark Crystal: Odyssey (2023) Joel Cadbury

Without A Home - EP (2022) Joel Cadbury Left Out Records

Where Did The Night Fall (2010) UNKLE Surrender All

End Titles... Stories For Film (2008) UNKLE Surrender All

Adventures In The Underground Journey To The Stars (2006) South Cooking Vinyl

From Here On In (2001) South Mo'Wax Label