

Al Mackay

Writer/ Director

Al is currently directing all 5 parts of THE CAGE for BBC 1 starring Sheridan Smith and Michael Socha. Al's other recent credits include all six episodes of KIDNAPPED for BBC Studios and all four parts of WITHOUT SIN starring Vicky McClure and Johnny Harris for Left Bank/ITV (named by The New York Times as one of the "Best Shows of 2024").



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Credits

Television

Production	Company	Notes
THE CAGE	BBC 1	Director
2025		In Production
		Starring: Sheridan Smith and Michael Socha
		Writer: Tony Schumacher
		Executive Producers: Christopher Aird, Ed Guiney,
		Andrew Lowe, Hilary Martin, Lucy Richer
		Producer: Claire Shepherd
KIDNAPPED	BBC	Director and Executive Producer.
2023 - 2024		Writer: Georgia Lester.
		Producer: Clare Shepherd.
		Executive Producers: Andrew Morrisey, Michael
		Parkes and Lucy Richer
		Starring: Adrian Edmondson, Nigel Lindsay and
		Robert Glenister.

Production	Company	Notes
WITHOUT SIN 2022	Left Bank/ITV	Director all four parts. Writer: Frances Poletti Producer: Guy Hescott Executive Producers: Sian McWilliams and Andy Harries Starring: Vicky McClure *Nominated for Best Actress (Vicky McClure) at the BAFTA Awards, 2023. New York Times - Best Shows of 2024
COBRA 2 2020	New Pictures/Sky	Lead Director, 3 Episodes. Producer: Joe Donaldson Writers: Ben Richards and Toby Finlay Executive Producer: Charlie Pattison.
COBRA 2019	New Pictures/Sky	Director, 3 episodes. Writer: Ben Richards. Producer: Joe Donaldson. Executive Producer: Charlie Pattinson Starring: Starring Robert Carlyle, Victoria Hamilton, David Haig.
DEEP WATER 2018	Kudos/ ITV	Director, 2 episodes. Writer: Anna Symon. Producer: Rebecca Hodgson. Executive Producers: Karen Wilson and Diederick Santer. Starring: Anna Friel
HUMANS 3 2017	Kudos/AMC/C4	Director, 2 episodes. Writers: Debbie O'Malley (episode 3), Namsi Kahn (episode 4). Producer: Vicki Delow. Executive Producer: Emma Kingsman-Lloyd. Starring: Gemma Chan and Katherine Parkinson
CRAZYHEAD 2016	Urban Myth/ E4/ Netflix	New series. Lead Director. Writer: Howard Overman. Producer: Gareth Williams Executive Producer: Julian Murphy. * Nominated for Best Director at the Royal Television Society Awards, 2017.
BANANA 2014	Red Productions/ E4	Director, 2 episodes, including series finale. Writer: Russell T Davies. Producer: Emily Feller. Executive Producers: Nicola Shindler, Russell T Davies.

In Development

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THE LIE	Rough Cut TV	Co created with Simon Hewitt.
THE SURGEON	Rough Cut TV	Co-created with Simon Hewitt.

Short Films

Production	Company	Notes
HIT AND RUN 2010	Steel Mill Pictures/ Elephant Gun Films, EM Mediampany	Writer and Director.
THE GOOD MEN OF LEICESTER 2010	Steel Mill Pictures/ Quad Shorts/ EM Media	Writer and Director.
BALE 2009	Wellington Films/ Elephant Gun Films/ UK Film Council	Writer and Director.

Online

Production	Company	Notes
MY JIHAD 2015	BBC	4-part web series spin-off of the iPlayer short. Writer: Shakeel Ahmed. Producer: Madeleine Sinclair. Exec Producer: Hilary Salmon. *Nominated, Best Digital Fiction Series, Rockie Awards, 2016.
MY JIHAD 2013	BBC	Short film for the BBC's iPlayer. Writer: Shakeel Ahmed. Producer: Claire Bennett. Exec Producer: Hilary Salmon.
MISFITS ONLINE 2011	Clerkenwell Films/ C4	Director. Producers: Chloe Moss, Matt Jarvis. * Nominated for New Media Award, TV BAFTAs, 2012. * Nominated for Digital Creativity Award, BAFTA Craft, 2012.

Commercials

Production	Company	Notes
TFL - Project Guardian	Tomboy Films/ M&C Saatchi	Director.
		Producer: Barney Spurrier.

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TEMPO - Merci Mission	B - Reel/ Publicis	Director.
		Producer: Giles Maunsell.

Other

Production	Company	Notes
THIS IS ENGLAND	Warp Films	Feature Film. EPK Operator.
2005		Director: Shane Meadows.