

## Zam Salim

### Writer / Director

Zam recently set up his own company Incidental Pictures with a number of TV and film projects he is developing and co-producing.

He has adapted the novel, STRAY, a psychological horror film by Vicky Allan, for Hopscotch Films and Creative Scotland, which he will direct as a feature. He is also writing a feature-length version of his short film DROPPING OFF MICHAEL for Sigma Films and Scottish Screen which he will direct.



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## Credits

### Film

Production	Company	Notes
<b>UP THERE</b>	Wilder Films / Creative Scotland / BFI	Writer and Director. Feature film. Starring Burn Gorman, Kate O'Flynn and Joe Hartley. Producer: Annalise Davis. *Winner Best Director at BAFTA Scotland *Winner Best Feature Film at BAFTA Scotland *Winner of the Panavision Spirit Award for Independent Cinema at the Santa Barbara International Film Festival. *Winner Best Feature Film at Rhode Island International Film Festival. *Certificate of Excellence Award at Rincon Festival. *Nominated for Discovery Award at London Comedy Film Festival.

## Television

Production	Company	Notes
<b>ENDEAVOUR</b>	ITV/Mammoth Screen	Director. 2 hour film "Raga" Writer: Russell Lewis Producer: Jim Levison Executive Producers: Helen Ziegler and Damian Timmer. Starring: Shaun Evans and Roger Allam
<b>THE BREAK</b>	BBC Writersroom/BBC Drama/BBC 3	5 x short films. Online drama, contemporary monologues. SWIPE SLOW (Writer: Inua Ellams. Featuring: Harley Sylvester) SYSTEM CYCLE (Writer: Charlene James) TYING THE KNOT (Writer: Rena Annobil. Featuring: Mawaan Rizwan) THE MATCH GIRL (Writer: Amber Hsu) BREAKING THE CODE (Writer: Sabrina Mahfouz) Producer: Rachelle Constant. Exec Producers: Hilary Salmon, Anne Edyvean.
<b>MI:HIGH 2</b>	Kudos Productions/ BBC 1	Director. 3 episodes. *Winner Best Children's Drama at the Royal Television Society Awards.
<b>IS IT JUST ME....</b>	Hopscotch Films/ C4	Writer, Director, and Producer. 4x3' films for "Three Minute Wonder " series. *Soho Rushes Film Festival. *Eskisehir Film Festival. *Brief Encounters Festival.
<b>MASHED</b>	Teebster Productions/ NSPCC/ C4	Writer and Director. "Three Minute Wonder" series. *Screened at Brief Encounters Festival. *Eskisehir Film Festival.

## Short Films

Production	Company	Notes
<b>ONE SHOT</b>	Incidental Pictures	Writer, Director and Producer. Screening at Glasgow Film Festival. Screening at London Comedy Film Festival - Special Mention: Best Ensemble, Busan Film Festival. Nominated for Best Scottish Short, Edinburgh Short Film Festival 2024

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<b>DROPPING OFF MICHAEL</b>	Sigma Films/ C4	Producers: Paddy Higson, Catrionna MacInnes. *Winner Audience Award at Glasgow Short Film Festival. *Winner Best Actor (Brian McCardie) and Best Supporting Actor (Michael McCardie), Lilongwe Shorts Film Festival Malawi. *Nominated for Best Short Film at BAFTA Scotland Awards. *Nominated, Best Writer, BAFTA Scotland New Talent Awards for James Price.
<b>LAID OFF</b>		Writer, Director, and Producer. Short film. *Winner: Best Film at Jim Poole Awards. *Winner: Audience Award at Jim Poole Awards. *Nominated for Best Short Film at Scottish BAFTAs. *Nominated for Best Short Film at The European Independent Film Festival. *Winner, Best Actor at European Independent Film Festival. *Winner: Best Narrative Short Film at the RiverRun Film festival, North Carolina, USA. *Winner of Silver Grand Jury Award at the San Francisco Short Film Festival.
<b>COLD LIGHT OF DAY</b>		Writer, Director and Producer. Short film. *Jim Poole Award Film of the Year, Edinburgh. *BAFTA Scottish Best Short nomination. *Official Selection Edinburgh Film Festival. *Blue Room Film of the Year, Edinburgh. *Runner Up Kino Film Festival, Manchester. *Finalist at Channel 4's 4Talent Funny Bits.

## Documentaries

Production	Company	Notes
<b>BLACK AND WHITE</b>	Hopscotch Films/ BBC 2	30' documentary on photojournalist, David Gillanders. *Winner European Independent Film Festival, Best Short Documentary. *Winner Best Short Documentary at The Doxa Film Festival, Vancouver, Canada. *Highly Commended in Human Rights category at Commonwealth Broadcasting Association Awards. *Insight Award for Excellence, National Association of Film and Digital Artists. *Nominated for Best Short Documentary, International Documentary Association LA. *Shortlisted for Best Newcomer at the Grierson Awards. *Nominated for Best Arts Documentary at the Celtic Film & TV Festival.

## In Development

Production	Company	Notes
<b>AUTHENTICITY</b>	Early Day Films/ Incidental Pictures/ Screen Scotland	Feature Film. Writer / Director Producers: Kate Byers, Linn Waite, Zam Salim Gritty Hi-Concept Black Comedy.
<b>UNTITLED (3 Part TV series)</b>	Lighthouse Film and TV/ Incidental Pictures / Screen Scotland	Exec Producers : Hilary Salmon / Zam Salim Director: Zam Salim Historical True Story.
<b>STRAY</b>	Hopscotch Films/Screen Scotland	Feature film based on novel by Vicky Allan. Director and Writer. Producers: Charlotte Wontner & John Archer
<b>SESSION MUSICIAN</b>	Incidental Pictures /Screen Scotland	Feature Film. Director and Writer. Psychological Thriller.
<b>HAVEN</b>	Acme Films / Channel 4	Writer and Director. TV series, thriller about the refugee crisis.
<b>SKIM</b>	Incidental Pictures	Director and Writer Feature film, hi-concept time-travel psychological thriller
<b>LIVE</b>	Incidental Pictures	Writer and Director TV series, comedy based on the book by Chris Horrie and Adam Nathan
<b>SAVIOURS</b>	Incidental Pictures	Writer and Director TV series, dark comedy. True story about those who accidentally facilitated the rise of the Nazis
<b>NORD OST KINO</b>	BFI/Creative Scotland/Creative England	Writer and Director. Hi-concept dark comedy for iFeatures.