

# James Strong Director



# Agents

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## Credits

### Television

Production

Company

Notes

MR BATES VS THE POST OFFICE 2023 ITVS

Director of all four episodes and **Executive Producer.** Writer: Gwyneth Hughes **Executive Producer: Patrick Spence** Starring: Toby Jones, Monica Dolan and Alex Jennings. \*Winner for Best Limited Series, Bafta TV Awards 2025 \*Winner, ITV – Mr Bates vs The Post Office: Special Award 2025, Bafta TV Awards 2025 \*Winner of 85th Peabody Award \*Winner for Best New Drama, Impact Award and Best Drama Performance (Toby Jones) NTA Awards, 2024 \*Winner of TRIC Drama Award, 2024 \*Winner of TRIC Special Achievement Award, 2024 \*Winner for Best Drama and Best Actress (Monica Dolan), Edinburgh TV Awards 2024 \*Winner for Best Television Series, Sky Arts Awards 2024 Nominated for Best Director - Scripted at the RTS Craft & Design Awards 2024 Nominated for Best Drama Series or Serial at the Broadcast Awards 2025 Nominated for Best Limited Series at The Critics Choice Awards 2025 Nominated for Best Limited Series and Single Drama RTS Awards 2025 Nominated for Best Leading Actor -Female, Monica Dolan RTS Awards 2024 Nominated Best Drama Series, Press Guild Awards 2025 Nominated for Best Actress for Monica Dolan, Best Actor for Toby Jones and Best Writer for Gwyneth Hughes, Press Guild Awards 2025 Nominated for Best Leading Actress, Monica Dolan, Bafta TV Awards 2025 Nominated for Best Leading Actor. Toby Jones, Bafta TV Awards 2025 Nominated for Best Writer, Drama, Gwyneth Hughes, Bafta TV Awards

FIRE COUNTRY 2022	CBS	Pilot Director and Executive Producer. Writers: Joan Rater, Tony Phelan and Max Thieriot. Producer: Rickey Colbert Showrunner: Tia Napolitano
<b>THE SUSPECT</b> 2021	World Productions	Lead Director. Writer: Peter Berry Producer: Natasha Romaniuk Executive Producer: Jake Lushington Starring: Aidan Turner and Sian Clifford Nominated for Lead Actor - Drama (Aidan Turner) at the IFTAs 2023
<b>CRIME</b> 2021	Buccaneer/Britbox	Lead Director and Executive Producer. Episodes 1-3. Writer: Irvine Welsh, based on his novel by the same name. Producer: David Blair. Executive producers: Irvine Welsh, Dean Cavanagh, Dougray Scott and Tony Wood. *Winner, Best Performance by an Actor (Dougray Scott) at the International Emmys, 2022 *Winner, Best Actor (Dougray Scott) Scottish BAFTAs, 2022
<b>VIGIL</b> 2019 - 2020	World Productions / BBC One	Lead Director and Executive Producer. Episodes 1- 3. Starring Suranne Jones, Rose Leslie, Shaun Evans. Writer: Tom Edge. Executive Producer: Simon Heath. Vigil is the UK's most-watched new drama in 3 years, with episode one consolidating 13.4 million views. *Winner, Best Drama Series at the International Emmys, 2022 *Winner, Best Director, Scottish BAFTAs, 2022 Nominated, Best Drama Series, BAFTA Awards, 2022. Nominated for Best International Drama at the Edinburgh TV Awards 2022

<b>LIAR 2</b> 2019	Two Brothers/ ITV	Lead Director and Executive Producer. Episodes 1-3. Writers: Jack and Harry Williams Producer: James Dean Executive Producer: Chris Aird Starring: Joanne Froggatt
COUNCIL OF DADS 2019	NBC/ Jerry Bruckheimer Television/ Universal TV	Pilot Director and Executive Producer. Inspired by the best-selling memoir of Bruce Feiler. Series ordered by NBC. Writers: Tony Phelan, Joan Rater. Producers: James Oh, Bruce Feiler. Exec Producers: Jerry Bruckheimer, Jonathan Littman, KristieAnne Read, Tony Phelan, Joan Rater.
<b>VANITY FAIR</b> 2017 - 2018	Mammoth/Amazon/ITV	Lead Director and Executive Producer. Episodes 1,2,3,4,5&7 Starring Olivia Cooke, Simon Russell Beale, Martin Clunes, Frances de la Tour, Suranne Jones. Writer: Gwyneth Hughes. Producer: Julia Stannard. Exec Producers: Gwyneth Hughes, Damien Timmer, Tom Mullens.
<b>LIAR</b> 2016 - 2017	ITV/Two Brothers Pictures	Lead Director and Executive Producer. Episodes 1 to 3. Writers: Harry and Jack Williams. Producer: Eliza Mellor. *Winner of Best New Drama, TV Choice Awards, 2018. Nominated for Actor, British Academy Cymru Awards, Ioan Gruffudd as Andrew Earlham. Nominated for Outstanding Drama Series at the National Television Awards, 2018
<b>DOUBT</b> 2016	CBS	Director. Episode 2. Drama centred on NYC's most radical law firm. Starring Katherine Heigel, Laverne Cox, Elliott Gould. Writers: Tony Phelan, Joan Rater.

<b>11.22.63</b> 2015	Bad Robot/ Hulu/ Warner Bros.	Director. 2 episodes, including series finale. From the novel by Stephen King. Starring James Franco, Chris Cooper, Sarah Gaddon. Writer: Bridget Carpenter. Exec Producers: JJ Abrams, Stephen King.
KINGMAKERS 2015	ABC Studios	Director. Pilot. Starring Kristin Bauer van Straten, Adrian Pasdar, Parminder Nagra. Writer: Sallie Patrick. Producers: Jeff MacVittie, Sallie Patrick.
CODE OF A KILLER 2014	World Productions/ ITV 1	Co-creator and Director. 2 x 90'. Starring John Simm, David Threlfall. Writer: Michael Crompton. Producer: Simon Heath. *WINNER Best Short Form Drama, Writers' Guild Awards 2016.
<b>BROADCHURCH 2</b> 2014	Kudos/ITV	Lead Director. Starring David Tennant, Olivia Colman, Charlotte Rampling, Marianne Jean- Baptiste. *Winner, Best Drama Series and Best Actor (David Tennant), TV Choice Awards, 2015. Nominated, Best Drama and Best Drama Performance (David Tennant), National Television Awards, 2016.
<b>GRACEPOINT</b> 2014	Fox / Shine America	Director. Pilot and 3 episodes. With David Tennant, Anna Gunn, Nick Nolte.
<b>FROM THERE TO HERE</b> 2014	Kudos/BBC 1	Director, 3 x 60'. Drama. Starring Phil Glenister, Bernard Hill and Saskia Reeves. Writer: Peter Bowker. Producer: Tim Bricknell . Exec Producer: Derek Wax.
THE GREAT TRAIN ROBBERY: A COPPER'S TALE 2013	World Productions/ BBC 1	Director. 90' feature. Starring Jim Broadbent, James Fox, Luke Evans. Writer: Chris Chibnall. Producer: Simon Heath. Nominated for Best Mini Series, BAFTA Television Awards, 2014. Shortlisted for Best Single Drama, Broadcast Awards, 2015.

#### BROADCHURCH

2013

Lead Director, episodes 1, 2, 6, 7, and 8. 8-part series. Starring David Tennant and Olivia Colman. Writer: Chris Chibnall. Producer: Richard Stokes. \*Winner, 73rd annual Peabody Awards. \*Winner of 'Best of British: TV Programme or Series', Freesat Awards, 2013. \*Winner of New Programme Award, Edinburgh International Television Festival, 2013. \*Winner Best New Drama and Best Actor, TV Choice Award, 2013. \*Winner TV Dagger, Crime Thriller Awards, 2013. \*No. 2 on The Hollywood Reporter's 20 Best Cable Dramas of 2013. \*Radio Times Best Television Programme, 2013. \*Winner of Best Drama, Broadcast Awards, 2014. \*Winner of Best Drama Serial, Royal Television Society Awards, 2014. \*Winner of Best Drama Series, BPG TV and Radio Awards, 2014. \*Winner of Best Actor (Olivia Coleman), BPG TV and Radio Awards, 2014. \*Winner of Best Writer (Chris Chibnall), BPG TV and Radio Awards, 2014. Nominated for Best Director (Fiction), BAFTA Television Craft Awards, 2014. \*Winner of Best Drama Series, BAFTA Television Awards, 2014. \*Winner of Best Actress (Olivia Coleman), BAFTA Television Awards, 2014. \*Winner of Best Supporting Actor (David Bradley), BAFTA Television Awards, 2014.

THE BEST POSSIBLE TASTE 2012	Mammoth/BBC 4	Director. 90' biopic on Kenny Everett. Writer: Tim Whitnall. Producer: Paul Frift . Exec Producer: Damien Timmer. Nominated for Best Single Film, Broadcasting Press Guild Awards, 2013. Oliver Lansley nominated for Best Actor, RTS Awards, 2013. *Tim Whitnall winner of Breakthrough Talent, BAFTA Craft Awards, 2013. Nominated for Best Scripted Programme, Broadcast Digital Awards, 2013.
<b>HUNTED</b> 2012	Kudos/ HBO Cinemax/ BBC 1	2 episodes. Writer: Frank Spotniz. Producer: Eliza Mellor. Exec Producer: Jane Featherstone.
<b>MISSING</b> 2012	ABC (US)/ Little Engine Productions	2 episodes. New series. Starring Ashley Judd, Sean Bean, Keith Carradine. Producers: Gina Matthews, Grant Scharbo. *Ashley Judd nominated for Best Lead Actress, Emmy Awards, 2012.
DOWNTON ABBEY 2 2011	Carnival/ ITV	Writer: Julian Fellowes. Producer: Liz Trubridge. *Winner: Best Drama Series or Serial, Broadcast Awards, 2012. Nominated for 16 Emmy Awards, including Outstanding Drama Series, Outstanding Lead Actress and Outstanding Lead Actor, 2012.
<b>LAW AND ORDER UK</b> <b>2+3</b> 2011	NBC/ Wolf Films/ Kudos for ITV	Writers: Terry Cafolla, Nick Beak Saunders. Producer: Richard Stokes.
WHITE VAN MAN 2010	ITV Studios for BBC 3	Director. Pilot. Starring Will Mellor, Clive Mantle. Writer: Adrian Poynton. Producer: Rohan Acharya.
SILENT WITNESS 2010	BBC 1	Writer: Michael Crompton. Producer: Richard Burrell.

DOCTOR WHO Easter Special 2009	BBC Wales/BBC 1	"Planet of The Dead".1 x 80'. Starring David Tennant, Lee Evans, Michelle Ryan. Writer: Russell T Davies. Nominated for a Hugo Award 2010 - Best Dramatic Presentation (short form).
<b>HUSTLE</b> 2008	Kudos for BBC 1	Lead Director, 2 episodes. Starring Adrian Lester.
<b>DOCTOR WHO 4</b> 2008	BBC Wales/BBC 1	Lead Director. "Partners in Crime". Starring David Tennant, Catherine Tate, Sarah Lancashire. Writer: Russell T Davies. Nominated for Best Drama Series, BAFTA Television Awards, 2009.
DOCTOR WHO Christmas Special 2007	BBC Wales for BBC 1	"Voyage of the Damned". 1 x 80'. Starring David Tennant, Kylie Minogue. *Winner of Welsh BAFTA for Best Direction. *Winner of Welsh BAFTA for Best Drama.
<b>DOCTOR WHO 3</b> 2007	BBC Wales/BBC 1	<ul> <li>2-part episode, "Daleks in Manhattan" and "Evolution of the Daleks". Set and shot partly in New York.</li> <li>*Winner of "Programme of the Year", Edinburgh International TV Festival, 2007.</li> <li>Nominated for Best Series, Writer's Guild of Great Britain, 2007</li> <li>*Best Drama, National TV Awards, 2007.</li> <li>*Winner Best TV Series, Writers' Guild of Great Britain Awards, 2007.</li> </ul>
<b>TORCHWOOD</b> 2006	BBC Wales/BBC 1	Series 1, 2 episodes. Producer: Richard Stokes. Exec Procducer: Julie Gardner. *Winner: Best Drama, Welsh BAFTAs, 2007. *Winner: Best Actress (Eve Myles), Welsh BAFTA's, 2007.

<b>DOCTOR WHO 2</b> 2006	BBC Wales for BBC 1	<ul> <li>2-part episode, "Impossible Planet" and "The Satan Pit".</li> <li>Writer: Russell T Davies.</li> <li>Producer: Phil Collinson.</li> <li>Exec Producer: Julie Gardner.</li> <li>*Winner: Best Drama, Best Actor and Best Actress, National Television</li> <li>Awards, 2006.</li> <li>Nominated for Best Drama Series,</li> <li>Broadcast Awards, 2007.</li> <li>Nominated for Best Drama Series,</li> <li>Royal Television Awards, 2007.</li> </ul>
<b>ROCKET MAN</b> 2005	Coastal/ BBC 1	2 x 60'. Starring Robson Green. Producer: Phil Leach.
<b>THE GOOD CITIZEN</b> 2004	BBC 1	1 x 60'. Drama. Starring Hugh Quarshie, Clare Goose. Nominated for Best Drama, Regional RTS Awards, 2005. Nominated for Best Daytime Programme, Broadcast Awards, 2006.

# Film

Production	Company	Notes
WORDS OF WAR 2025	Good Films Collective / Rolling Pictures	Director. Writer: Eric Poppen. Producer: Miriam Segal. Starring Maxine Peake, Ciaran Hinds and Jason Isaacs.
<b>UNITED</b> 2011	BBC/ World Productions /Content Films/ North East Screen	Director. Starring David Tennant, Dougray Scott. Writer: Chris Chibnall. Producer: Julia Stannard. Nominated for Best Single Film, Prix Europa, 2011. *Official Selection, Roma Fiction Festival, 2011. Nominated for London TV Award, London Festival Fringe, 2012. Nominated for Best Single Drama, Broadcast Awards, 2012. Nominated for Best Single Drama, Royal Television Society Awards, 2012. Nominated for Best Drama, London Television Awards, 2012.

# In Development

Company	Notes
ITV	Directing - Period drama that will reimagine the life of a young Elizabeth I in the court of the notorious King Henry VIII
Last Man Films	Director. Feature film, in development. The story of the last men to be executed in Britain. Writer: Michael Crompton.
Participant Media/ Potboiler	Director. Feature film, in development. A tragic accident in a coastal English town sets of a series of violent events. Producer: Gail Egan. Writer: Brock Norman Brock
Fox/Strong Films	Writer and Director. Feature film, in development. The story of Sheffield synth.
	ITV Last Man Films Participant Media/ Potboiler

### Short Films

Production	Company	Notes
OF MARY	Lesata Prods	Producer and Co-writer with Adrian Lester.
2010		Director: Adrian Lester.
SOLD		Writer and Director. 15' short film. Comedy-drama set in the
2004		world of estate agents.
		*Nominated for Best Short Film at BAFTA Film Awards, 2004.

### Documentaries

Production	Company	Notes
HEAVEN 17 - THE STORY OF		Feature length documentary and concert
PENTHOUSE & PAVEMENT		film.
2010		Selected for the 2010 Sheffield
		International Documentary Festival.