

Michael Samuels

Director

Michael Samuels is an award-winning director who directed the Channel Four adaptation of William Boyd's *Any Human Heart*. The mini series, which starred Jim Broadbent, Matthew Macfadyen, Sam Claflin and Gillian Anderson, won a **BAFTA for Best Drama Series**. Michael also won an **RTS for Best Single Drama** for *The Curse of Steptoe* made for the BBC. More recently he directed *Man In An Orange Shirt* starring Vanessa Redgrave for the BBC, which won the 2018 **International Emmy for Best Mini-Series/TV Movie**.

TELEVISION

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2020	THE WINDERMERE CHILDREN	Warner Brothers TV / BBC	TV Film - This is the stark, moving ultimately redemptive story of the bonds these children make with one another, and of how the friendships forged at Windermere become a lifeline to a fruitful future
2016-17	MAN IN AN ORANGE SHIRT (Series Director)	BBC 2 / Kudos	2 Part Drama written by Patrick Gale With Vanessa Redgrave WINNER - International Emmy 2018 Best Mini-Series/TV Movie
2014-15	BLACK WORK (Series Director)	ITV	3 part drama With Sheridan Smith Written by Matt Charman
2012	THE FEAR (Series Director)	World Productions / Channel 4	4 part mini-series With Peter Mullen and Richard E Grant
2010	ANY HUMAN HEART (Series Director)	Carnival / Channel 4	4 part mini-series By William Boyd With Jim Broadbent, Matthew Macfadyen, Gillian Anderson, Hayley Atwell and Kim Cattrall Winner - Best Serial Drama BAFTA
2009	THE LAST DAYS OF LEHMAN BROTHERS (Director)	BBC Drama / BBC Two (Single Film)	With James Cromwell and James Bolam
2008-09	MRS MANDELA (Writer / Director)	BBC Four / Two (TV Film)	With Sophie Okonedo, David Harewood and David Morrissey
2008	CAUGHT IN A TRAP	Greenlit / ITV	Feature-length drama with Geraldine James, Jim Carter and Connie Fisher

2007-08	THE CURSE OF STEPTOE	BBC Drama / BBC Four (Single Film)	With Jason Isaacs and Phil Davis Winner Best Single Drama RTS
2006	AMEN (Writer)	Channel 4 Drama / Touchpaper	Feature-length script
2005	OUR HIDDEN LIVES (Director / Producer)	BBC Four	Feature-length drama With Sarah Parish, Ian McDiarmid, Lesley Sharp, Richard Briers and Michael Fassbender
2004-05	THE SLAVERY BUSINESS (Director / Producer)	BBC Two (Single Film)	With Jack Shepherd and Robert Pugh
2004	A MOST MYSTERIOUS MURDER	Touchpaper / BBC One	Pilot drama for series With Julian Fellowes and Michael Fassbender
2003	THREE SISTERS	BBC Four	Television version of West End play With Kristin Scott Thomas
2002-03	THE VICE	Touchpaper / ITV	Drama series With Tim Pigott-Smith and Nigel Terry
2002	THE FALKLANDS PLAY	BBC Drama	Feature-length drama With Patricia Hodge, James Fox and Robert Hardy
2001	EASTENDERS	BBC One	Episodes
1999-00	EASTENDERS	BBC One (12 Episodes)	Episodes include a 40-minute Special
1998	BROOKSIDE	Channel 4 (18 Episodes)	

IN DEVELOPMENT

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
Current	THE ORCHESTRA (Currently Writing to Direct)	Sid Gentle Films	Single film for BBC 2
Current	THE BOY WHO WOULD BE SHAKESPEARE	Ecosse Films	Feature Film
Current	BLOOD OVER WATER (Co-writer, to direct)	Harbour Pictures/Tideway Films	Feature Film
2015	UNSAID (Writer, to direct)	Nick Wechsler	Feature Film

DOCUMENTARY

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2003	TRAVELS WITH MY UNFIT MOTHER (Director / Producer)	Lion / BBC One	
2001	CASTLE (Director / Producer)	Lion / Channel 4	History documentary

2001	AGAMEMNON	BBC Factual	
2000	EQUINOX - THE SCIENCE OF STRESS (Director / Producer / Writer)	Lion / Channel 4	
1997	DANIEL HANDLEY: A STOLEN LIFE (Director / Producer / Writer)	BBC One	Drama-documentary
1996-97	CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL (Director / Producer)	BBC Documentaries (6 Episodes)	

RADIO

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2003-04	THE DUEL (Writer)	Radio 4	90 minute drama With David Threlfall and Patricia Hodge

FEATURE FILM

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	PROJECT DETAILS
1999-00	CROSSING THE LINE (Writer)	Feature film script set in South Africa