



REMI MILLIGAN LOST DIRECTOR



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Running Time:

74 minutes

Genre:

**Mockumentary,
comedy, drama**

Written & Directed by:

Samuel Lodato

Produced by:

Sophie Lodato

Samuel Lodato

Sara Granato

Production Company:

Lodato Studios

Edited by:

Shiona Penrake

Cinematographer:

Daniel Gal

Composer:

Magdalena Herfurtner



LOGLINE

A visionary filmmaker's rise through genre-defying cult cinema is shadowed by personal sacrifice and the unresolved mystery of his sudden disappearance in 2006.



LONG SYNOPSIS

Remi Milligan: Lost Director is a documentary that examines the life and work of Remi Milligan, an underground filmmaker whose unconventional vision and low-budget productions left a distinctive mark on the fringes of cinema. Born in North London, Milligan became a notable figure in independent filmmaking, recognised for his provocative themes and boundary-pushing storytelling. His films, often exploring campy horror and offbeat genre territory, were produced on minimal budgets yet attracted a devoted cult following. Titles like *Killer Pencil* and *Satsuman* may not have reached mainstream audiences, but they became celebrated among niche viewers for their raw creativity and bold defiance of conventional cinematic norms.

The film features interviews with Milligan's family, friends, and collaborators, providing insight into the man behind the camera. Their accounts reveal Milligan's deep commitment to filmmaking and the personal costs of his dedication. His health and relationships were often strained as he worked in isolation, prioritising his distinctive vision over more commercial opportunities.



Remi Milligan: Lost Director also explores the circumstances surrounding his mysterious disappearance in 2006. At the height of his creative powers and during his most ambitious project, Milligan vanished without a trace. Despite various theories and investigations, his whereabouts remain unknown, leaving a legacy of unanswered questions. The documentary suggests that his disappearance reflects both the struggles of an uncompromising artist and the isolating environment in which he worked.

Through archival footage, previously unseen behind-the-scenes material, and interviews with critics and collaborators, the documentary paints a portrait of a filmmaker on the edges of the industry, constantly testing his own limits and those of his audience. It serves as both a record of his daring, unconventional work and an exploration of the intensity of artistic obsession. With the mystery of his disappearance still unresolved, Remi Milligan: Lost Director leaves viewers to consider whether his uncompromising vision contributed to his fate - or whether his vanishing was a final act of defiance by a filmmaker who was never fully understood.

OUR STORY

Writer-director Samuel Lodato first came up with the idea for Remi Milligan: Lost Director all the way back in 2005. At the time it was intended to be a 3-5 minute student short – but the crux of the story was the same even back then: a docufiction about the life and movies of an eccentric, terrible filmmaker who'd recently disappeared under mysterious circumstances.

The film would feature candid interviews with the titular character's relatives, friends and colleagues. Most importantly, we would be shown clips from his films – weird, so-bad-they're-good b-movie genre fare – and behind-the-scenes footage of his film sets.

Fast-forward to May 2025, following an endless list of challenges in getting the film off the ground (including a pre-development beleaguered by the Pandemic and Brexit), when Samuel completed the film, marking his feature debut.





Yoshi Barrigas as *Remi Milligan*

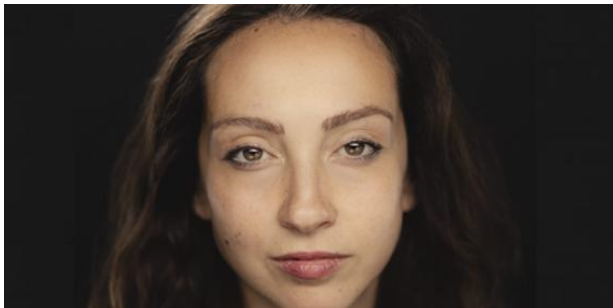
Yoshi Barrigas is an American actor of Portuguese descent, born on August 25, 1989, in Sandwich, Massachusetts. He has made notable contributions to mainstream television and film. Barrigas gained recognition for his portrayal of **Philip the Apostle in the globally acclaimed series "The Chosen."**

He made his Hollywood debut in 2015 with a guest appearance on the popular sitcom **"The Big Bang Theory"** and has since worked alongside esteemed actors such as Brad Pitt and Walton Goggins. His other television credits include roles in **"Criminal Minds"** and **"Six."**

In 2024, Barrigas starred as the lead in the film **Forty-Seven Days with Jesus**, which was released in cinemas. Beyond acting, he has explored storytelling through writing and directing short films and documentaries, including *A Comfortable Suffering* and *Boundless*. Additionally, Barrigas is a guitarist with aspirations in music production.

Decision to re-shoot with Yoshi Barrigas

The festival and critical success of *Remi Milligan: Lost Director* led us to re-evaluate how we could elevate the film even further. With the opportunity for greater exposure, we made the decision to reshoot the role of Remi Milligan with Yoshi Barrigas – an actor whose talent, standing, and dedication align with the film's growing ambition.



Sara Granato as *Flaminia Masina*

Sara first approached acting while studying Communication and Marketing at the University of Bologna, in Italy, where she started to work with a theatre company to then tour with them. After this and a little experience as a radio speaker, she moved to London where she took part in various independent short films, student projects, feature films and music videos.



Erin Maria Walther as *Lizzie Evans*

Erin Maria Walther is an American-Canadian-German actor, residing in the UK. Erin attended the Guildford School of Acting, graduating in 2020, and shortly made her professional debut after. She is known for **The Lost Tapes of History Podcast** (2022), **For When I Sleep** (2021) and continues a career on the stage as well as screen.

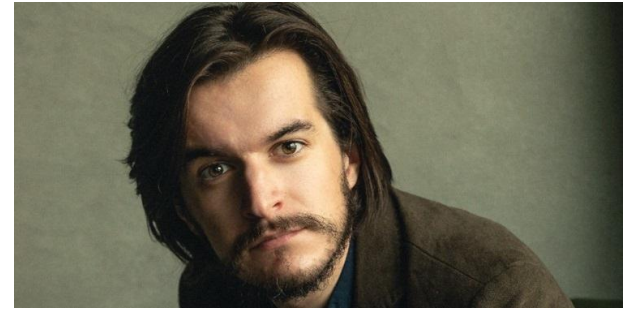
Holly Durkin as *Megan le Bon*

Holly Durkin is known for **Escape from Wonderland** (2017), **Remi Milligan: Lost Director** and **Horror of Wonderland** (2019). Holly juggles roles in film & TV with parts in theatre productions and is equally at home with comedy as well as drama.



Ferne Romaniuk as *Ingvar Troicki*

Ferne Romaniuk was born to Polish parents in the English county of Merseyside. He grew up with a love for acting started from seeing his sister in the Sound of Music. He studied history at York University, where his time in the York Drama Society pushed him to attend East 15 Acting school. It was at East 15 that Sebastian achieved a masters in acting.



Jo Hart as *Kitty Oates*

Jo is a British actress known for her work on **Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom**, **Fisherman's Friends** and **The Legend of Halloween Jack**. In 2016 Jo filmed a short, **Hug It Out**, alongside Andrew Garfield for LA based Youth Mentoring. In 2018 Jo became one of the voices for global make-up brand Max Factor.



WRITER, DIRECTOR & PRODUCER, Samuel Lodato

London-based writer, director and published author of fiction. Runs LodatoStudios. Samuel was born in Catania, Sicily and emigrated to London UK aged 2. He Holds dual citizenship. Samuel was dazzled by the magic of cinema from a very early age and cites Martin Scorsese's Taxi Driver as his main inspiration for wanting to get into filmmaking.

After studying Creative Writing & English Literature at University, Samuel went on to receive formal training in Sound & Lighting for film. First novella 'The Places & People Between London and Sicily' published at age 21.

Filmography

Remi Milligan: Lost Director [2025 – debut feature]

Gammon Steak & Peas [2015, short]

Frank's Inertia [2013, short]

Capture and Re-Live [2012, short]



DISTRIBUTOR

When it comes to championing bold, independent cinema, few distributors match the impact of **BayView**

Entertainment. With a keen eye for unique and visionary films, BayView has built a reputation for bringing fresh and daring content to audiences worldwide. A prime example is the breakout sensation *Skinamarink*, a microbudget horror phenomenon that became a cultural touchstone, proving BayView's ability to turn indie gems into must-see events.

For Remi Milligan: *Lost Director*, we had multiple offers from respected distributors – including Gravitas, Freestyle and Summer Hill – but BayView stood out as the perfect home. Their passion for cinematic storytelling and innovative distribution strategies ensure that Remi Milligan: *Lost Director* will reach its widest and most enthusiastic audience.





REVIEWS

"Director Sam Lodato has absolutely nailed what makes a mockumentary work."

Chris Ringler, SPOOKYCHRIS.COM

"The brilliant story of one of the greatest low-budget film auteurs that never existed."

Chris Buick, UK FILM REVIEW

"Satiric-centric, raw, purposefully off-kilter entertainment. "

Kirk S. Fernwood, ONE FILM FAN

"A defining moment in the mockumentary genre."

Olivia Ballington, INDYREVIEWS

AWARDS

Awards:

2023 Best Mockumentary – CARE Awards, W Virginia
2023 Best Trailer – RS FilmFest Bristol
2023 Best Documentary – Courtyard Film Festival, Naples
2023 Best Comedy Honourable Mention, Shockfest NYC
2023 Best Director, Beyond the Curve Int'l Film Festival
2023 Best Poster, WIFA
2023 Best Trailer, WIFA
2023 Best First-Time Filmmaker Movie, WIFA
2023 Best Director, Grand Cine Carnival Maldives
2023 Best Trailer, Robinson Film Award
2023 Best Creative Idea, Robinson Film Award
2024 Best Trailer, Cinema Cappuccino, India
2024 Best Trailer – Agropoli Film Festival, Italy
2024 Best Feature – Marcello Film Festival, Birmingham
2024 Best Experimental Feature – Ramsgate Int'l Film Festival*
2024 Best UK Feature – West London Film Festival
2024 Best Feature – Wild Rover Film Festival

*BIFA-qualifying film festival



CAST

REMI MILLIGAN

FLAMINIA MASINA

MEGAN LE BON

LIZZIE EVANS

INGVAR TROICKI

WILL ASHBY

HAYLEY SELBY

JASON KARRAS

LUCIA BENEDETTO

ENZO BENEDETTO

INGVAR TROICKI

JOHN BYRD

KITTY OATES

MICK IRVING

Yoshi Barrigas

Sara Granato

Holly Durkin

Erin Maria Walther

Ferne Romaniuk

Andrew Forbes

Sophie Aisling

Syed Masood

Francesca Kos

Rene Costa

Ferne Romaniuk

Nigel Thomas

Jo Hart

Colin Hubbard



CREDITS

*Written, Directed
& Produced By*

Director of Photography

Composer

Editors

Sound Designer

Hair & Make-up

Music by

Production Sound Recordist

Executive Producers

Samuel Lodato

Daniel Gal

Magdalena Herfurtner

**Shiona Penrake
Nina Bumbolkova
Samuel Lodato**

Charlie Braham

**Kira Grant
Beatrice Birolo
Ann Tillinghast
Abi Lawrence**

Magdalena Herfurtner

Lysander Black

**Sophie Lodato
Samuel Lodato
Sara Granato**



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Web Presence

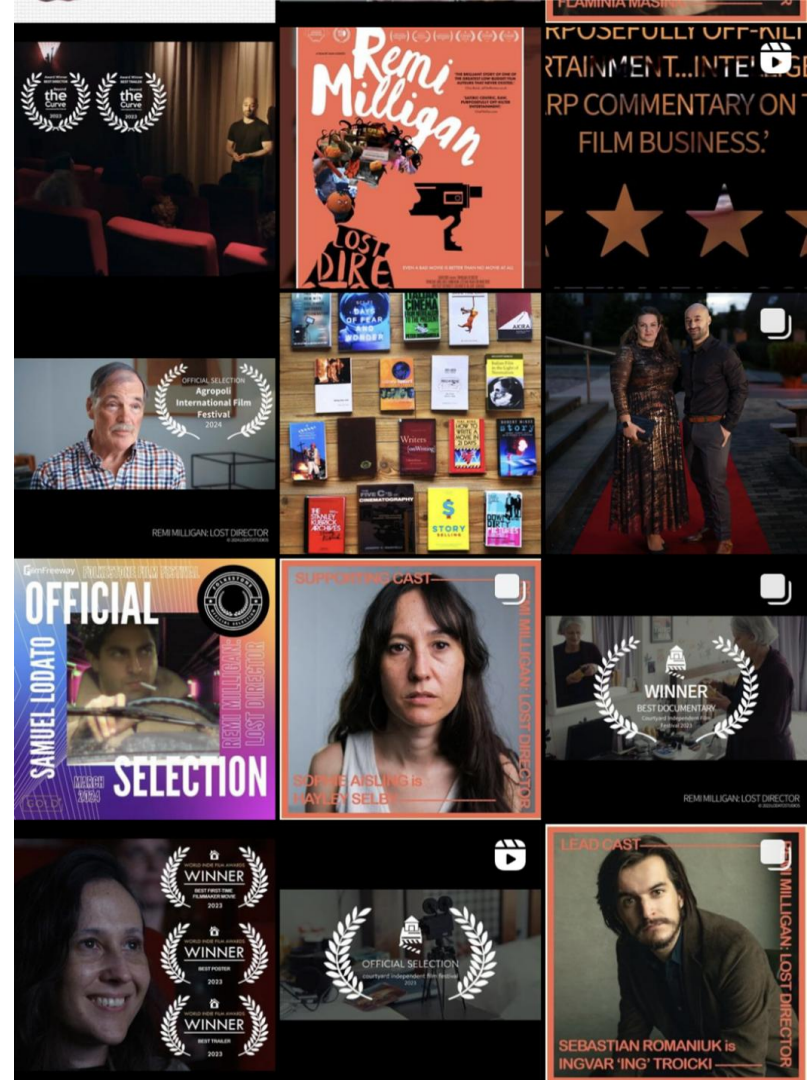
Social Media

Primarily Instagram. Handle @LODATOSTUDIOS. **660** followers and counting. Two posts per week (released Mondays and Fridays at 12.30pm) plus the odd ad-hoc post or story reserved for exciting news etc.

The bulk of our IG content consists of film festival news (official selection, attendance, award wins); cast & crew appreciation posts, exclusive behind-the-scenes footage and photos; trailer reveal; poster reveal – and in general anything about the film that is worth sharing.

Posts revolving around festival award wins and red carpet photo ops involving glammed up cast and crew outperform other posts in terms of engagement.

JUST LAUNCHED - @REMIMILLIGANFILM



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Web Presence – Continued

Official Movie Website

lostdirectorfilm.com

Company Website

lodatostudios.com

ARG (Augmented Reality Game)

milliganisalive.com is a mock 'fansite' dedicated to the film's protagonist, created by the superfans characters in the film. This website has been around for 5 years so has excellent SEO equity.

Other

IMDb, several film review websites, trailer on YouTube and Vimeo plus many others – too many to list here.



The image shows a screenshot of the IMDb mobile app interface for the movie "Remi Milligan: Lost Director". At the top, there is a navigation bar with the IMDb logo, a search icon, a user profile icon, and a "Use app" button. Below the navigation bar, there is a section for "All topics" with a grid icon. The main title "Remi Milligan: Lost Director" is displayed in large white text, followed by the release year "2025" and runtime "1h 11m". A "Mystery" tag is visible next to the title. Below the title, there is a movie poster for "Remi Milligan: Lost Director" featuring a stylized illustration of a man's face with various symbols and the text "Remi Milligan" and "LOST DIRECTOR". To the right of the poster, there is a description: "Remi Milligan: Lost Director explores the life of Remi Milligan, a filmmaker known for genre-defying, cult films. It delves into his unique style, the toll on his personal life, and the myst..." followed by a "Read all" link. Below the description, there is a section for "Director" with the name "Samuel Lodato". Below that, there is a section for "Writer" with the name "Samuel Lodato". Below that, there is a section for "Stars" with the names "Sara Granato", "Erin Maria Walther", and "Holly Durkin". At the bottom, there is a yellow button with a plus icon and the text "Add to Watchlist", and a small downward arrow icon. Below the button, there is a section for "COMPLETED" with the text "Expected June 2, 2025". At the very bottom, there is a section for "6 Critic reviews".

IMDb

All topics

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Mystery

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Supporting Assets

1. Film Poster in one-sheet format [web and print versions]
2. Film Poster in quad format [web and print versions]
3. Trailer [with English and Italian captions]
4. Film stills
5. 100s of behind-the-scenes pictures and videos
6. 'Making of' featurettes
7. Festival award win laurels
8. Five (and counting) glowing pre-release reviews
9. Official movie website
11. Workshopped tagline: 'Even a bad movie is better than no movie at all.'

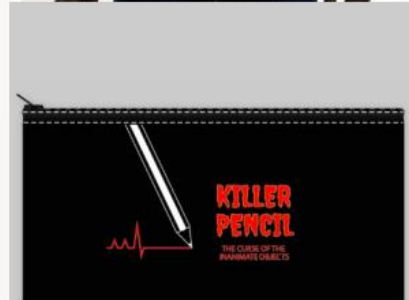
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Merchandising Opportunity

The content of this film opens it up for merchandise and tie-ins potential.
Remi Milligan: Lost Director consists of five short films and each is equally absurd and more visually memorable than the last.

Some concepts – clockwise from top left:

1. Drinks mug with Song and Dance at Guantanamo Bay hooded dancers motif
2. Satsuman drinks coaster
3. Satsuman t-shirt with movie quote
4. Killer Pencil pencil case with flatline motif
5. Satsuman soft-touch cushion
6. Killer Pencil t-shirt with flatline motif





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