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## A Scottish schizophrenia love story road movie

Lyre Productions' new feature film is written & directed by Tim Barrow, writer & producer of award-winning Scottish road movie **The Inheritance** and Edinburgh love story **The Space Between**.

**Riptide** plays at selected cinemas throughout the UK in May 2022 around Mental Health Awareness Week, supported by the Scottish Mental Health Arts Festival where our film premiered in 2020. Screenings take place at the Castle Cinema in London, Macrobert in Stirling, Eden Court in Inverness, Highland Cinema in Fort William, the Oban Phoenix and Universal Hall in Findhorn.

Following its acclaimed premiere at the Scottish Mental Health Arts Festival, **Riptide** has screened at the Reel Recovery Film Festival [Los Angeles], Mental Filmness [Chicago], This Is My Brave Mental Health Film Festival [Canberra], Ramsgate International Film & TV Festival, Art of Recovery Film Festival [Lake Worth, Florida], Argenteuil International Film Festival, ScreenPlay [Shetland], Inverness Film Festival, St Andrews Film Festival, Eastgate Arts in Peebles and Genesis Cinema in London, and won the following awards:

### **Best Narrative Feature**

Beyond The Curve International Film Festival [Paris]

### **Best Indie Feature**

Prague International Film Awards [Czech Republic]

### **Best Indie Feature**

Brno Film Festival [Czech Republic]

### **Best Drama Feature**

Hallucinea Film Festival [Paris]

### **Special Mention Award**

Big Syn International Film Festival [London]

# PRODUCTION

**Riptide** was research, written, shot and produced over a period of 7 years, and created for only £12,000.

The film was shot across Scotland by director of photography Robbie Jones, edited in Glasgow by Callum Warrender, colour-graded by Tony Moore, and sound designed at Molinare in London by Dan Johnson.

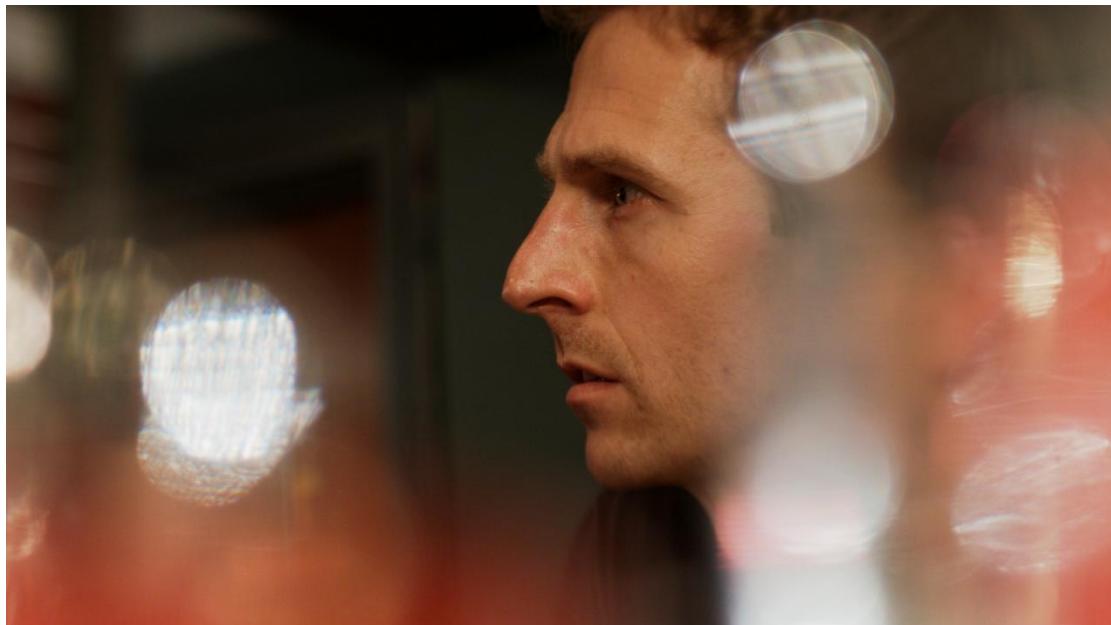


The cast features Elspeth Turner, Tim Barrow, David Whitney, David Tudor, Harry Donnelly, Shona Brodie Hill, Toby Mottershead, Nathan Scott Dunn, Josh Brock, Jonny Tulloch and Cameron Docker.

Contemporary Scottish music-makers provide the soundtrack: original piano music by Fiona Rutherford, electronic tracks from Philip Pinksy, an anthem by the Black Diamond Express, plus the music of Mairi Campbell, including tracks from her incredible album *Pulse*.

## S Y N O P S I S

Discharged from a psychiatric hospital, Jacob attempts to resume life in Edinburgh, control his schizophrenia, and be a worthy society member. He works collecting litter from streets and parks. He boxes. He takes medication. He writes everything down. His Dad barely wants to know him.



Frustrated by a banal existence and encouraged by his psychiatrist, Jacob travels to the Highlands in search of fulfilment. By the sea he encounters the charismatic Eva, who claims to be the secret daughter of Ingmar Bergman. And she's on a mission.



# INSPIRATION

The psychiatric condition of schizophrenia affects 1 in 100 of the population, manifests itself in broadly similar ways across the world, and is still widely misunderstood, misrepresented and stigmatized. Our film aims to help correct the record, telling a unique story with authenticity, integrity, hope, and humour.



The cast and crew are indebted to people at the Royal Edinburgh Hospital for research, advice and encouragement, especially Professor Stephen Lawrie, Head of Psychiatry at Edinburgh University, who explains:

*"Schizophrenia is characterised by delusions and hallucinations. The arts, and film in particular, have a role in reducing the stigmatisation of mental illness and they provide opportunities for people to hear stories about mental illness in a way which corrects the myths and stereotypes people have about these conditions."*

**Riptide** is inspired by the support, guidance, humour and life-affirming recovery tales of people with schizophrenia, as well as scientific research and medical care. The film is indebted to the brilliant film-makers who've come before us, not least Ingmar Bergman with his craft, innovation, and fascination with schizophrenia, dreams and unique love stories.

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