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BILLE AUGUST

(1948 -)





Director and screenwriter. Born 9 November 1948, Denmark. Trained as a cinematographer and photographer in Stockholm before attending the National Film School of Denmark, from where he graduated in cinematography in 1973.

August's international breakthrough came with 'Pelle the Conqueror' (1987), which received the Palme d'Or in Cannes in 1988 and an Oscar and a Golden Globe in 1989. August received his second Palme d'Or in 1992 for the Swedish production 'The Best Intentions' (1992), written by Ingmar Bergman.

August directed three award-winning films for children and youth in the '80s: 'Zappa' (1983), 'The World of Buster' (1984) and 'Twist and Shout' (1984).

Since the early '90s August has directed a string of big international co-productions, including 'The House of the Spirits', 'Smilla's Sense of Snow', 'Les Misérables', 'Return to Sender', 'Goodbye Bafana' and 'Night Train to Lisbon'. 'Goodbye Bafana' won the Peace Film Award at the Berlinale.

Apart from his numerous film awards Bille August has been honored for his work as a film director with both the Danish and the Swedish Royal Order of Chivalry and the French order Chevalier dans l'ordre des Arts et Lettres.

August made his first Danish-produced film in 25 years with 'Marie Krøyer' (2012). With 'Silent Heart' (2014) the director won a Danish Bodil Award for best Danish feature.

Filmography

Title	^Year	^Function	^Category
The Kiss	2023	Direction, Screenplay, Director	DK/Feature
The Pact	2021	Direction	DK/Feature
Lykke-Per	2019	Direction	TV series
A Fortunate Man	2018	Direction, Screenplay	DK/Feature
55 Steps	2018	Direction	
Feng huo fang fei	2017	Direction	Feature
Silent Heart	2014	Direction	DK/Feature
Night Train to Lisbon	2013	Direction	Feature
Marie Kroyer	2012	Direction	DK/Feature
Goodbye Bafana	2007	Direction	Feature
Return to Sender	2005	Direction	DK/Feature
Clown	2005	Bille	TV series
En sång för Martin	2001	Direction, Script, Production	DK/Feature
Et mælkebøttebarn	1999	Sig selv	TV documentary

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Adventures of Young Indiana Jones	1999	Direction	TV series
Les misérables	1998	Direction	Feature
Smilla's feeling for snow	1997	Direction	Feature
Jerusalem	1996	Direction, Script	Feature
The house of the spirits	1993	Direction, Script	Feature
The Best Intentions	1992	Direction	Feature
Pelle the Conqueror	1987	Direction, Script	DK/Feature
The World of Buster	1984	Direction	DK/Feature
Twist and Shout	1984	Direction, Script	DK/Feature
Zappa	1983	Direction, Script	DK/Feature
Maj	1982	Direction, Script	TV film
Sova räv	1982	Cinematography	TV film
Guldhjertet	1981	Direction	DK/Short fiction
Gräset sjunger	1981	Cinematography	Feature
Killing Heat	1981	Cinematography	Feature
Verden er så stor, så stor	1980	Direction, Script	TV film
Tomas, a child out of reach	1980	Cinematography	DK/Documentary
Love	1980	Cinematography	Feature
Honning måne	1978	Direction, Script	DK/Feature
Et par dage med Magnus	1978	Direction	TV series
Hemåt i natten	1977	Cinematography	Feature
Christiania	1977	Cinematographer	DK/Documentary
Kim G. - At the Cycling Track in Ordup	1976	Direction, Script, Cinematography, Executive producer	DK/Documentary
The time limit is 12 weeks - information about abortion	1976	Cinematography	DK/Documentary
Ø	1973	Cinematography	DK/Short fiction
Anomi	1972	Cinematography	DK/Experimental
Bryd tavsheden		Direction	DK/Commercial

