

Matthew Lessall

Casting Director

**Awards**

Winner, Artios 2018 & 2019 – Outstanding Achievement in Casting – Short Film (“The Lost”), Feature Film (“Skin in the Game”)  
Nominated, Artios 2022 - Low-Budget Feature Film (“The Novice”)  
Nominated, Artios 2020 - Micro-Budget Feature Film (“International Falls”)  
Nominated, Artios 2015 – Outstanding Achievement in Casting – Web Series (“Aim High” & “Mortal Kombat”)  
Nominated, Artios 2006 – Outstanding Achievement in Casting – Short Film (“Starcrossed”)  
Nominated, Artios 2005 – Outstanding Achievement in Casting – Mini Series & Short Film (“Frankenstein” & “The Act”)

**FILM (partial listing from last 5 yrs. – prods/co-prods: Australia, Can, Dom Rep, Ger, Greece, Italy, Mex, Neth on req.)**

THE NOVICE (2021) <i>Winner, Tribeca FF 2021, Best US Narrative FF</i> <i>Winner, Tribeca FF 2021 Best Actress – Isabelle Fuhrman</i> <i>Outfest 2021, Centerpiece</i> <i>Nominated, Indp. Spirit Awards (2022) including Best Actress, Best Supporting Actress</i> <i>Nominated, Deauville FF 2021, Grand Special Prize</i>	Isabelle Fuhrman, Dilone, Amy Forsyth	d: Lauren Hadaway / IFC Films
CASTLE IN THE GROUND (2019) <i>Official Selection, TIFF 2019</i>	Imogen Poots, Neve Campbell, Tom Cullen, Alex Wolff, Kier Gilchrist	d: Joey Klein / Woods Entertainment
BLACK CONFLUX (2019) <i>Official Selection, TIFF 2019</i>	Ryan McDonald	d: Nicole Dorsey / Band With Pictures
INTERNATIONAL FALLS (2019) <i>Winner, Seattle Int'l FF (2019) New American Cinema</i> <i>Official Selection, Bentonville FF (2019)</i>	Rachael Harris, Rob Huebel, Matthew Glave, Mindy Sterling, Kevin Nealon, Erik Griffin	d: Amber McGinnis / Outskirt Media
SKIN IN THE GAME (2018) <i>Winner, Pan African FF (2019) Best Dir, 1st Feature</i>	Sammi Hanratty, Gideon Adlon, Elisabeth Harnois, Erica Ash, Angélica Celaya	d: Adisa / Kandoo Films
FAST COLOR (2018) <i>Official Selection, Palm Spring Int'l FF (2019)</i> <i>Official Selection, SXSW (2018)</i>	Gugu Mbatha-Raw, Lorraine Toussaint, David Strathairn, Chris Denham, Saniyya Sidney	d: Julia Hart / Lionsgate
SHOOTING IN VAIN (2018) <i>Winner, Dances With Films (2018) Grand Jury Prize</i>	Sebastian Gregory, Diana Hopper, Alexandra Park, Isabel Lucas	d: Jared Januschka / China Lion Ent.
MAYA DARDEL (2017) <i>Winner, Raindance FF (2017) Jury Prize</i> <i>Official Selection, SXSW (2017)</i>	Lena Olin, Rosanna Arquette, Alex Koch, Nathan Keyes, Jordan Gavaris	d: Zachary Cotler, Magdalena Zyzak Orion Pictures
I HATE THE MAN IN MY BASEMENT (2017) <i>Official Selection, Newport Beach FF (2017)</i>	Chris Marquette, Nora-Jane Noone, Manny Montana, Mary Birdsong	d: Dustin Cook / Green Pasture Prods.
DEIDRA & LANEY ROB A TRAIN (2017) <i>Official Selection, Sundance FF (2017)</i>	Ashleigh Murray, Rachel Crow, Missi Pyle Arturo Castro, Sasheer Zamata, , Tim Blake Nelson	d: Sydney Freeland / NETFLIX
HALFWAY (2016) <i>Winner, Julien Dubuque Int'l FF (2016) Best Feature</i> <i>Nominated, British Indp. Film Awards (2017)</i>	Quinton Aaron, Amy Pietz, Jeffrey DeMunn	d: Ben Caird / JP Int'l Prods.
FRANK & LOLA (2016) <i>Official Selection, Sundance FF (2016)</i>	Imogen Poots, Michael Shannon, Justin Long, Rosanna Arquette, Michael Nyqvist	d: Matthew Ross / Killer Films
IMPERIUM (2016) <i>Official Selection, Deauville FF (2016)</i> <i>Official Selection, Zurich FF (2016)</i>	Daniel Radcliffe, Toni Collette, Tracy Letts, Sam Trammell, Nestor Carbonell, Chris Sullivan Burn Gorman, Devin Druid	d: Daniel Ragussis / Atomic Features
MISS STEVENS (2016) <i>Winner, SXSW (2016) Best Actress (Lily Rabe)</i>	Timothée Chalamet, Lily Rabe, Lili Reinhart Rob Huebel	d: Julia Hart / The Orchard

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**CHRONIC (2015)**

*Winner, Cannes FF (2015) Best Screenplay  
Nominated, Independent Spirit Awards (2017)  
Best Male Lead (Tim Roth) Best Feature  
Official Selection, San Sebastián International FF (2015)*

Tim Roth, David Dastmalchian,  
Robin Bartlett, Michael Cristofer

d: Michel Franco / Lucia Films

**INTERNATIONAL SERIES (partial)**

THE CONNERS (Season 2), *series associate casting dir.*

SHOOTER (2015, pilot)\*

BERLIN STATION (2015, series)\*

URBAN COWBOY (2015, pilot)\*

ENORMOUS (pilot)

AIM HIGH (Season 2)

MORTAL KOMBAT 1 & 2

d: Various / Carsey-Werner / ABC

d: Simon Cellan Jones / Paramount Television Studios / USA

d: Michaël Roskam / Paramount Television Studios / Epix

d: Craig Brewer / Paramount Television Studios / FOX

d: BenDavid Grabinski / Adrian Askarieh

d: Ari Sandel / Wonderland / Crackle

d: Kevin Tancharoen / WB / Machinima

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