

Magnus Martens

Norwegian screenwriter and director Magnus Martens is internationally recognized for his ability to deliver stylish and violent action while remaining staggeringly entertaining and savagely funny. He made his feature breakthrough with the slick comedy thriller *Jackpot* (2011) which he wrote and directed based on a Jo Nesbø story. Selected for the Tribeca Film Festival, the critics described *Jackpot* as bloody and brilliant, and applauded Martens' deliciously dark style, favorably comparing him to Tarantino and the Coen brothers.

Following his international breakthrough with Jackpot, Martens has directed multiple episodes for some of the biggest TV shows in the US, including Banshee, 12 Monkeys, Power, Marvel's Luke Cage, Good Behavior, Longmire, Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D., Will and Fear the Walking Dead. Most recently he directed the first two episodes of the anticipated The Walking Dead: World Beyond which premiered in October 2020.

Martens' latest film, the explosive action thriller *SAS: Red Notice*, starring Sam Heughan, Ruby Rose and Tom Wilkinson, premiered in March 2021 in the UK and US. In August 2021 *SAS: Red Notice* was released on Netflix. Furthermore, Martens is director of the acclaimed series *Furia*, which premiered on Viaplay in September 2021.

Martens most recent feature, the Christmas comedy horror *There's Something in the Barn,* had its world premiere at Fantastic Fest in September 2023 to great reviews, and premiered in Norwegian theatres in November.

Awards

Montréal International Children's Film Festival (Children's Jury Prize) Canada - United	2004
Mannheim-Heidelberg International Filmfestival (FIPRESCI Prize) Germany – Folk flest bor i Kina Utopia - Nobody's Perfect in Perfect Country	2002
Mannheim-Heidelberg International Filmfestival (Special Prize in Memoriam R.W. Fassbinder) Germany – Folk flest bor i Kina Utopia - Nobody's Perfect in Perfect Country	2002
Grimstad Short Film Festival (Dolby Prize) Sweden - Eddie Stargazer	1999

Furia 2 Fury 2 (TV Series) (Crime, Drama, Thriller) - Director	2023
There's Something in the Barn (Feature film) (Horror) - Director	2023
Furia Fury (TV Series) (Crime, Drama, Thriller) - Director	2021
SAS: Red Notice (Feature film) (Action) - Director	2021
The Walking Dead: World Beyond (TV Series) (Drama, Horror, Sci-Fi) - Episode director	2020
Fear the Walking Dead (TV Series) (Drama, Horror, Sci-Fi) - Episode director	2018
Longmire (TV Series) (Action, Crime, Drama) - Episode director	2017
Will (TV Series) (Drama) - Episode director	2017
Good Behaviour (TV Series) (Crime, Drama, Mystery) - Episode director	2016 - 2017
Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. (TV Series) (Action, Adventure, Drama) - Episode director	2016
Luke Cage (TV Series) (Action, Crime, Drama) - Episode director	2016
Power (TV Series) (Crime, Drama) - Episode director	2016
12 Monkeys (TV Series) (Adventure, Drama, Mystery) - Episode director	2015 - 2016
Banshee (TV Series) (Action, Crime, Drama) - Episode director	2015
Meglerne (TV Series) (Comedy) - Director	2014
Nattskiftet (TV Series) (Comedy) - Director	2012
Arme Riddere Jackpot (Feature film) (Action, Comedy, Crime) - Director, Writer	2011
Baby, Yeah Yeah (TV Movie) (Drama) - Director	2003

Uti vår hage (TV Series) (Comedy) - Director	2003
United (Feature film) (Comedy, Romance) - Director, Writer	2003
Folk flest bor i Kina Utopia - Nobody's Perfect in Perfect Country (Feature film) (Comedy, Drama) - Director	2002
Eddie Stargazer (Short) (Comedy, Drama)	1999
Åpen Post (TV Series) (Comedy) - Director	1998