

Foighidinn (The Crimson Snowdrop)

Biographies

Simon Miller (Co-Writer-Director)

Simon Miller, was originally trained on Wall Street into the sinful world of Investment Banking before seeing the light and retraining into the music industry in 1996. He went on to set up Universal Music Solutions for Universal Music UK and protein, a digital music consultancy, for peoplesound.com before seeing the light for a second time and retraining into the film industry. After a year at London Film School on the Masters programme and training at The National Film & Television School he launched film production company, Dead Man's Shoes Limited. He has made 4 short films: Windfall, Lazy, Dead Man Falls and most recently, Foighidinn, a short film epic in Scottish Gaelic. He currently has several feature projects in development, each written in conjunction with Joanne Cockwell.

Filmography:

Foighidinn (The Crimson Snowdrop) (Short Film, 2005) – Co-Writer and Director
Dead Man Falls (Short Film, 2004) – Co-Writer, Director and Co-Producer
Lazy (Short Film, 2003) – Co-Writer, Director, Producer, Cinematographer
Windfall (Short Film, 2002) – Co-Writer, Director, Producer, Cinematographer

Chris Young (Producer)

Scottish film producer, Chris Young, established Youngfilms over ten years ago to develop and produce feature films for the cinema. He graduated from the NYU Film School and trained as a film editor before producing his own feature films: Venus Peter (Official Selection Cannes 1989), Prague (starring Alan Cumming, Official Selection Cannes 1992), Gregory's Two Girls (starring John Gordon Sinclair), Final Curtain (starring Peter O'Toole), and most recently Festival (starring Daniella Nardini). He lives with his wife and family on the Isle of Skye.

Filmography:

Festival (Feature Film, Dir. Annie Griffin, 2005) - Producer
Foighidinn (The Crimson Snowdrop) (Short Film, Dir. Simon Miller, 2005) - Producer
Final Curtain (Feature Film, Dir. Patrick Harkins, 2002) - Producer
Gregory's Two Girls (Feature Film, Dir. Bill Forsyth, 1999) - Producer
Prague (Feature Film, Dir. Ian Sellar, 1992) - Producer
Venus Peter (Feature Film, Dir. Ian Sellar, 1989) - Producer

Joanne Cockwell (Co-Writer)

Joanne Cockwell is both a writer and a lawyer in the City of London. She has co-written four short films and currently has several feature projects in development, each written in conjunction with Simon Miller. Simon and Joanne live with their two children, Molly and Daisy, in the New Forest.

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Windfall (Short Film, 2002) – Co-Writer

Aonghas Macneacail (Co-Writer)

Aonghas Macneacail is an award-winning Gaelic poet and writer. Translator and language consultant on *Hero* (Dir. Barney Platt-Mills) - one of the first Channel 4 film commissions. Scriptwriter on STV's Gaelic Soap, *Machair* plus a number of documentaries. Radio plays and librettos. Scripted *An Iobairt* (The Sacrifice); short feature: Camus Productions 1995: (Honorable Mention, Palm Springs International Short Film Festival, 1997).

Simon Dennis (Director of Photography)

Simon is a self-taught Bafta award winning Cinematographer & Director. As DOP he has shot numerous shorts, pop promos, ads and feature films. He has vast experience in all major formats (especially 35mm/Anamorphic) as well as sound stage set pieces and more recently action & underwater photography. His recent accolades include a Scottish Bafta, Bafta Showcase award as well as numerous other international festival awards for "iota" his recent short as Director.

Filmography:

A Woman In Winter (Feature Film, Dir. Richard Jobson, 2005) – Director of Photography
A Mind Of Her Own (Feature Film, 2004) – Director of Photography
My City : Edinburgh (TV Documentary, 2004) – Director of Photography
The Hunt Feast (Feature Film, Dir. Nabel Maleh, 2004) – Director of Photography
Foighidinn (The Crimson Snowdrop) (Short Film, Dir. Simon Miller, 2005) - Director of Photography
Iota (Short Film, Dir. Simon Dennis, 2005) – Writer, Director, Director of Photography
The Last Great Wilderness (Feature Film, Dir. David Mackenzie, 2003) – Director of Photography
Number One Longing, Number Two Regret (Feature Film, Dir. Neil Wassell, 2003) – Dir of Photography

Jim Sutherland (Composer)

A leading figure on the Scottish, UK and international music scene, Jim Sutherland is a producer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and composer, whose twenty-year career has ranged across the fields of rock, pop, folk, dance, ambient, electronica, rap, world and chamber music, as well as a string of major commissions for film, TV and theatre.

Aonghas Pàdraig Caimbeul (Grandfather)

Aonghas Pàdraig Caimbeul is an award-winning Gaelic poet, novelist, journalist, broadcaster, script-writer and actor. Gaelic Journalist of the Year 2004. Born on the island of South Uist in the Outer Hebrides he now lives on the Isle of Skye with his wife, sculptress Lyndsay Campbell, and their six children. He is a Double Honours Graduate in Politics and History from the University of Edinburgh.