

## **PROFILE**

James Wingate born in 1979 to English parents and lives in West Sussex, United Kingdom.

Having worked in professional financial services for most of his working life he caught the acting bug in 2019 when asked to appear in a social media advert for a luxury barbershop due to his signature long hair and well-trimmed salt & pepper beard by cinematographer Mike Seager.

He started acting classes as well as rifle, handgun and sword handling lessons and built his experience with student & indie films until he was cast as the lead in the awardwinning Norse mythology short films <a href="Voluspa">Voluspa</a> & Valravn.

Working his way into feature films he was cast as Aaron the villain in <a href="Ewan Gorman's">Ewan Gorman's</a>
Brighton based thriller <a href="High water">High water</a>.
His professionalism and acting ability led to him being approached by award winning Director <a href="Elliott Hasler">Elliott Hasler</a> to play the lead in his dark pirate film <a href="The Isle">The Isle</a>, and then as the Oarsman in his multi award winning true 1920's drama <a href="Vindication Swim">Vindication Swim</a>. This role involved hours of training for the sea rowing scenes of a 1900's rowboat through choppy waters to get the required daunting shots of

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Height: 6ft Build: Medium Age: 44

Hair Length: Shoulder length Native accent: Southeast England

## FILM/COMMERCIAL EXPERIENCE

#### 2025

Pinocchio Unleashed, Lead Geppetto, Film It FX Studions

The R.I.P Man, SA Alfie Pick, GMP Dread Productions

# 2024

Feature Film, Greenland 2, SA Refugee, Thunder Road Pictures

VO animation, Empireless, King & Lead bandit, Seb Cox Films

Short Film, Asking 4 It, SA Businessman, Emma Jesse

Short Film, Crites, SA Bounty Hunter, Carlo Bath, Film It FX Studios

## 2023

Feature Film: Angel of the North, SA, Cowboy, Magnificent Films

Feature Film: Winnie the Pooh Blood & Honey 2, SA, Raver, Jagged Edge Productions

TV Series: House of Dragons, SA, Blacksmith, HBO Entertainment

being miles out at sea for this inspiring feature film.

In 2023 he was cast as a vigilante southerner on Sean Cronin's blood curdling American horror Bogieville and then a troubled American Hunter driven by blood lust in the dark and gritty film Poachers Pride which he was nominated for Best Actor.

He is now working alongside Director and writer Allan McTaggart's 3-part feature film Hegemony.

Set in a dystopian post-apocalyptic world, James not only plays the lead but has taken on the role of Producer for this indie project..

In 2023 he got cast in the London based crime comedy feature film My Name's Tim written and directed by ex MMA champion turned actor/director Alex Montagnani. Playing the role of Sol, the drug fueled low level London gangster starring alongside Eastenders star Ricky Champ. James also came onboard as Producer for the film which is due for release in 2024.

His son Bodhi aged 8 has also started working alongside him on set. First as a child soldier in Hegemony and more recently playing the role of his son in the feature film <u>Gallowmere</u>. A fantasy film written and directed by the inspiring indie film maker <u>Oliver Hollingdale</u>, James plays the role of Jared the sly, a twisted and evil antagonist to the heroes of this grim dark fairy tale.

Due to his financial background he also landed several corporate client acting roles for social media, website and voiceover work. The highlight being 10 days spent in Dubai filming for a major middle eastern investment firm acting/modelling as a senior manager for a global marketing and social media campaign.

This included working alongside corporate clients such as Rolls Royce, FVP Trade & Dubai yachts to create a high-class portfolio of marketing material used across the middle east as part of a multimillion-dollar advertising campaign.

With his ability to portray deep raw emotions with his gritty acting style and signature intimidating stare his hard work ethic is building a successful acting career that shows all the signs of bigger and better things to come for him and certainly one to watch out for.

David Camici Absolute Magazine Pilot film: Kairos, Lead actor Rys,

Feature Film: Hegemony, Lead actor Reed, Scavenger/soldier, FilmMaker40 production.

Feature Film: Side Quest, Lead villain Mr Davis, Max Fobin production.

Feature Film: Bogieville, SA, Eddie, Redneck, Magnificent Films.

Feature Film: My Name's Tim, SA, Sol, Gangter, Beastie Films.

Feature Film: Believe, SA, Dickie Torture Victim, Sealight Productions.

Feature Film: Gallowmere, Lead Villain, Jarod The Sly, Sunnymeade Films

Short Film: Foretoken. SA, Celtic Warrior, Tamas Levardi Production.

Student Film: Poachers Pride, Lead actor, The Hunter, Brighton Film & Screen School.

2022

Student Film: Customer Support, Lead actor Mack, Brighton Film & Screen School.

FVP Investment firm website and commercial video photoshoot in Dubai: Actor as a Businessman filmed in various locations and in association with Rolls Royce/Dubai Yachts/ Burj Khaliffa

2021

Student Film: Doomsday, Lead actor Stimpson (Businessman)

Feature Film Highwater, Main character villain, Aaron, gangster. Black Rock Films

Feature Film: Vindication Swim, SA, sailor/oarsman. Relsah Productions.

Short Film: The Isle, Lead Captain James Milton, Relsah Productions.

Short Film Valravn: SA, Viking warrior, Sunnymeade Films

Voice Over: Online Commercial, Studio Seager

Presenter: Online commercial/ demonstration video, Studio Seager

2019

Music Video: SA, S.W.A.T officer in drugs raid, The Brighton Studio.

Commercial: Lead actor, Customer (puppet music video), Studio Seager

Student Film: Allotment: SA, The Seller (black market smuggler/gangster), Sussex University.

Student Film: Astrid: SA. Vittras (prosthetics monster), Sussex University.

Film: Voluspa: Lead Actor: Viking sacrifice/lover, Sunnymeade Films

Commercial: New Image, SA, Customer, Studio Seager

## **SKILLS**

Take3 Academy Screen acting intensive course with Jamie Kenna.

Sniper rifle, handgun & Automatic rifle handling: Garry Janes, Go Wild gun training.

Firearms & tactics training course: Lock N Load Props Ltd.

Cocktail barman 10 years.

Corporate finance, regulated finance advice since 2004.

Sword study since 2019.

Horse riding basic skills. Airsoft combat since 2014