

MARTEINN THORISSON

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Biography: Marteinn was born in Iceland of German/Icelandic parents, educated in the US and has lived in Galway, Ireland, for several years. He has been lead writer on the Irish crime series JACK TAYLOR starring Iain Glen (from the novels of Ken Bruen), directed by Stuart Orme, penning a total of seven films in the series.

His feature film credits include the Icelandic-set OPERATION NAPOLEON starring Vivian Olafsdottir and Jack Fox (2022) the award-winning animation feature NIKO AND THE WAY TO THE STARS and its two sequels: LITTLE BROTHER, BIG TROUBLE and; TWO BY TWO, and the live action feature SUMMER OF THE FLYING SAUCER. He has also written two episodes of SILENT WITNESS.

Projects in development include a feature-sequel to OPERATION NAPOLOEON, and a 3 x 90' original ecological returning crime series for nDF/ZDF, English language production: DE BURGO.

He has an MFA in screenwriting from the University of Southern California.

NOMINATIONS & AWARDS

2012 Finnish Film Award for Best Screenplay – NIKO 2: LITTLE BROTHER, BIG TROUBLE

WINNER: 2009 Finnish Film Awards for Best Screenplay and Best Film – NIKO AND THE WAY TO THE STARS.

WINNER: 2008 Jury Prize and Audience Prize at CineKid festival, Amsterdam – NIKO AND THE WAY TO THE STARS

2003 Sundance Screenwriting Award – THE WHISPERER.

In Development

DE BURGO	3 x 100' episodes Co-written and developed with Matt Harvey.	CONTAMINATION, OMERTA AND EXTRACTION – returning ecological crime series for nDF/ZDF, for production 2024.
THE DAMNED	Pilot optioned for 6x60' series. Buffalo Pictures	Crime drama.

Selected Produced Credits

NIKO 3: BEYOND THE NORTHERN LIGHTS	2024	Animated Feature Film Animaker (Finland)/Ulysses (Germany)/Moetion (Ireland)	Second sequel to the family animation feature film NIKO AND THE WAY TO THE STARS.
OPERATION NAPOLEON	2022	Feature Film Splendid Films/ZDF Directed by Oskar Thor Axelsson	<i>A lawyer sucked into an international conspiracy after being accused of a murder she didn't commit. Her only chance of survival lies in uncovering the secret of an old German World War II airplane, discovered on Iceland's largest glacier.</i> Based on the novel by Arnaldur Indridason and starring Vivian Olafsdottir and Jack Fox.
SILENT WITNESS: BROTHER'S KEEPER	2021	2 x 60' Episodes BBC Studios.	
SILENT WITNESS: DEATHMAKER	2019	2 x 60' Episodes BBC Studios.	



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JACK TAYLOR	2010-2016	7 x 60' Episodes Magna Films, for Channel 5/ZDF	<i>Ex-cop Jack Taylor earns a reputation for being a tough-as-nails private investigator who's not afraid to take on vigilantes or track down killers.</i> 7 episodes of the crime drama based on the novels of Ken Bruen.
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