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## **BEN STREBEL BIO**

Ben is a multi-faceted director of music videos, content, fiction and commercials who looks for the beauty in the unexpected and strives to give a voice to the outsiders in society. The son of a DP, Ben's first foray into filmmaking was at the tender age of 11 when he borrowed his dad's VHS camera to make a film about heroin addiction, guns, gangsters... and swords.

Ben then headed up to Edinburgh to study History of Art but his curious mind and thirst for creativity saw him spend more time crafting visuals for Madness tours and putting on old-skool club nights in London than getting his head buried in books and flavouring the local haggis.

Ben has picked up multiple awards and nominations for his shorts, music videos and commercials, including 1 Gold and 4 Bronze Lions as well as 5 D&AD pencils for his film 'A Trip To Sea' for Guy Cotton. His commercials includes work for Nike, Lexus, Apple, Adidas, BMW, LG and ALLSAINTS. He's also made videos for Naughty Boy, Phoenix, Animal Kingdom, Clock Opera. In his recent video for Parisi (feat. RZA) 'No Refugee', Ben boldly explored the uncertain and painful lives of refugees. All proceeds from streaming went to the United Nations High Commission for Refugees. Ben recently directed 'The Kills' latest video for 'List of Demands' and a second Lexus commercial for Team One.