JUSTINE



Production Companies: Rush Productions, Jump Start Productions &

Directed by:

Written by:

Run Time:

Fiction Factory

Jamie Patterson

Jeff Murphy

81 mins

Starring: Tallulah Haddon, Sophie Reid, Steve Oram

Sian Reese-Williams, Kirsty Dillon and

Xavien Russell

Synopsis:

Justine (*Tallulah Haddon*), is a young woman with a fierce intelligence but an equally strong appetite for self-destruction. Along with her only friend Peach (*Xavien Russell*), she finds herself suffocated within a world that makes little sense and where alcohol is the only escape from her view of a hopeless future. Her probation officer Leanne (*Sian Reese-Williams*) and her doctor (*Steve Oram*) try to guide her back into society, but Justine understands all too well what that society can offer her and she doesn't want to play by its rules.

One day, on a shoplifting spree, she meets Rachel (Sophie Reid) and the possibility of happiness, love and a future starts to emerge. But her pain goes deep and as the demons within her begin to surface, she wonders if she can allow herself to hope.

Justine is a love story from writer Jeff Murphy (*Hinterland, Denmark, Hidden*) and director Jamie Patterson (*Tucked*) which looks at the search for love and belonging in a chaotic world.

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Justine | Tallulah Haddon

Tallulah is a London-based actress known for Spaceship (2016), The Living and the Dead (2016), Taboo (2017), Kiss Me First (2018) and Black Mirror: Bandersnatch (2018). She stars in the upcoming FOX 21 drama Barkskins (2020) based on the novel by Annie Proulx.



Rachel | Sophie Reid

Sophie trained at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow after which she was cast in HBO's Game of Thrones. In 2017 she appeared in Bill Condon's Beauty & The Beast followed by a lead role in Barracuda (2017) after which she was named in Screen Daily's annual list of *Screen Stars of Tomorrow*. Her theatre credits include the musicals Once and Sting's The Last Ship, currently touring the USA.



Leanne | Sian Reese-Williams

Sian is a Welsh theatre and television actress and singer, best known for Emmerdale and Hidden/Craith. She was awarded the BBC London Theatre Award for outstanding performance in a musical in 2001 for her role in the National Youth Music Theatre's production of The Dreaming. Following her breakout role as Genesis Walker in Emmerdale, she has worked on various TV dramas including Hinterland (2016), Requiem (2018), Hidden (2018-19), Line of Duty (2019) and Silent Witness (2019).



Doctor Jim | Steve Oram

Steve Oram is an English actor, comedian, writer, and filmmaker. Oram's film credits include Edgar Wright and Simon Pegg's The World's End (2013), The Canal (2014), Altar (2014) and Paddington (2014). On television he has appeared in The Mighty Boosh (2007), Noel Fielding's Luxury Comedy (2014), the Jack Thorne series Glue (2014), The Living and the Dead (2016), The End of the F***ing World (2017-19), Good Omens (2019) and Ghosts (2019).



Olivia | Kirsty Dillon

Kirsty is best known for her recurring role in ITV's Midsomer Murders and has also appeared in the BBC dramas Strike (2018) and MotherFatherSon (2019) as well as Spotless (2015), Blackout (2013) and the comedy Man Like Mobeen (2019). As a voice over artist she has worked on numerous corporate, gaming and documentary projects plus commercials and audiobooks. Film credits include Locke (2013), 2:Hrs (2018) and Sean Durkin's upcoming drama The Nest (2020). Most recently Kirsty was awarded Arts Council funding to write and perform the one woman show 'Groomed to Perfection' in partnership with ATG theatres which she will be touring in 2020.



Peach | Xavien Russell

Xavien Russell is an actor from Hackney, London. Best known for his role as Michael in Top Boy (2011-2013). Xavien began acting from a young age having been enrolled into the Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School. He has also had roles in BBC comedy Me & Mrs Jones (2012) and most recently the award-winning short film Stationary (2019).



Jamie Patterson | Director

Jamie Patterson is a prolific British filmmaker and co-founder of Jump Start Productions. He wrote and directed Tucked (2017), a British drama set in the world of drag queens. The film premiered at Outfest Film Festival 2018 in Los Angeles, and won the Audience Award and Best International Narrative and was released by Gravitas Ventures in 2019. Previously Patterson directed sci-fi thriller Caught (2016), which won the Critics Choice award when it premiered at Portugal's Fantasporto Film Festival. His earlier work includes 2017's Fractured, winner of six awards, including Best Director at Horror Film Festival and City of Dreamers (2012), winner of Best Film at the Madrid International Film Festival.



Jeff Murphy | Writer

Jeff is a screenwriter, author and script consultant. A BAFTA winner for his work on the successful detective show Hinterland, Jeff is involved in a range of film and television projects. He co-wrote Welsh drama Hidden/Craith (BBC) and his feature film Denmark (2019), directed by Adrian Shergold and starring Rafe Spall, is due out later this year.



Sarah Drew | Producer

Sarah is a screenwriter, producer and musician. Having spent over a decade in the music and theatre industry, she turned her attention to writing and graduated from the University of Wales in 2012 with a master's degree in Screenwriting. Her screenplay Across The Line, about members of a motorsport team sent to fight in WW1, has been optioned by Cannibal Films. She is currently developing a TV series entitled SW19 which focuses on the extraordinary true story of a woman who worked at Wimbledon between the 1920's and 1940's.

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