

BIORGRAPHY



RON LEACH IS A NOTED CASTING DIRECTOR, PRODUCER, AWARD-WINNING DIRECTOR AND ACTING COACH. HE IS CURRENTLY THE CASTING DIRECTOR AND ONE OF THE PRODUCERS OF THE FEATURE FILM **NARWHAL**, AND THE HIT TELEVISION SERIES **SCARE TACTICS** (IN IT'S FIFTH SEASON WITH SCI-FI NETWORK AND MTV) AND JUST

FINISHED CASTING THE NEW TELEVISION SERIES **DESTINATION FEAR** (FOR THE TRAVEL NETWORK); AND MOST RECENTLY CAST ON THE FILMS AND TELEVISION SERIES: **VICTIM**; **ANCHOR BABY**, **GOOD TIMES ARE KILLING ME**, **DA KINK IN MY HAIR**, **MURDOCH MYSTERIES**, **THE GRINGO** AND **JAMIE FOXX'S UNTITLED COMEDY PROJECT** FOR FOX NETWORK. HE IS THE PRODUCER OF THE ACCLAIMED FEATURE-LENGTH DOCUMENTARY FILM **SHURTLEFF**, ON THE FAMED AUTHOR, TEACHER, AND CASTING DIRECTOR **MICHAEL SHURTLEFF**; AND **AUDITION**, THE FOUR PART INSTRUCTIONAL SERIES ON ACTING. RON RECENTLY DIRECTED THE SHORT FILMS **ALTARCATIONS** (WINNER OF THE TWELVE INTERNATIONAL AWARDS AND PROGRAMMED IN NINETEEN INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVALS TO DATE) **SHAKY GROUNDS**, **HELPLINE**; PREMIERED THIS JUNE HIS LATEST SHORT FILMS **PROFILE** AND **KISS** FOR THE **BLUE FLAME COLLECTIVE**, AND IS IN POST-PRODUCTION ON THE DRAMATIC SHORT FILM **WHAT IS LOVE**.

HE HAS SERVED AS A JUROR FOR THE INTERNATIONAL EMMY AWARDS, THE GENIE AND GEMINI AWARDS; THE ON THE FLY FILM FESTIVAL; AND IS A FREQUENT MODERATOR FOR THE WILDSOUND SCRIPT READING SERIES. RON SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO THE CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL ANIMATION FESTIVAL (PRODUCING TWO FESTIVALS DURING HIS FIVE YEAR TENURE); WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO THE TALENT REPRESENTATIVES ASSOCIATION OF CANADA; AND PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO TORONTO'S DORA MAVOR MOORE AWARD-WINNING ACME THEATRE COMPANY (PRODUCING OVER THIRTY PLAYS DURING HIS TEN YEAR TENURE). HE HAS TAUGHT HIS ACCLAIMED COURSE OF ACTING SKILLS FOR THE CAMERA AT THE STRATFORD SHAKESPEAREAN FESTIVAL; CENTENNIAL COLLEGE FILM AND VIDEO PRODUCTION PROGRAM, AND THE VANCOUVER FILM SCHOOL. RON IS A MEMBER OF THE CASTING DIRECTOR'S SOCIETY OF CANADA AND THE ACADEMY OF CANADIAN CINEMA AND TELEVISION.