

GARY DAVIES – Writer-Director

Gary is an award-winning New Zealand filmmaker who jumped in at the deep end - writing, funding, directing, shooting, producing and editing the horror-comedy feature, ***Flatmates Wanted***, which, despite having almost no budget, obtained NZ-wide DVD release via Vendetta Films in 2007. He has developed his original horror feature script, ***Psychomanteum***, with UK production company, Hummingbird Films, and more recently NZ's Urgency Films, and was represented from 2015-2018 by LA based Atchity Entertainment International for his original horror-thriller feature script, ***In the Moonlight***. This project has since received Early Development Funding and has been developed with NZ producer Simone Ashton.

Gary has been short-listed for numerous NZFC funding schemes, and he and Simone were participants in Script to Screen's prestigious Short Film Lab in 2019. Gary's short films have won awards and screened at festivals around the world, and his no-budget short, ***Whites Beach***, starring Dwayne Cameron, was licensed to NZ Sky TV's Rialto channel. Gary's short horror script, ***Second Skin***, was a Top 10 Finalist in the 2020 Killer Shorts Horror Short Screenplay Competition out of 765 entries, and his horror screenplay, ***Coulrophobia***, won Best Feature Script at the 2020 Independent Horror Movie Awards (Spring Edition). Gary loves creating nightmares and dreamscapes to both provoke and entertain, and has numerous short and feature projects in development. His latest short horror film, ***Be Quiet***, is currently on the festival circuit – the film's most notable successes to date a nomination for Best Horror Micro Short at the Austin After Dark Film Festival, and Short Film Finalist in the Monsterflix Awards.