## **BIO: DANNY THYKAER**

Danny Thykaer was born 27 November 1978. His mother is Israeli and his father is Danish. He is trained as an actor and director. Danny has had leading roles in several award-winning films during the last 15 years. He has won international awards as an actor, director and writer, and enjoys working on different aspects of art and culture. 'Backgammon' marked his feature film directorial debut in 2014, and the film won 18 international awards and received 11 nominations, selected at 26 film festivals worldwide. It rounded out its glorious run by being nominated for motion picture of the year at the Danish Film Academy Awards.

He started as a child actor and model, and by the age of 12 he had done TV, film and many commercial appearances in his home country of Denmark. He did school plays from the age of 7 till the age of 18 in high school, and was accepted at the BTI theatre school at the age of 19. Following his diploma he took a year of professional dance training, to perfect his body language as an actor and performer. His last education was a BFA at the NSCD School, which he finished in 2003. Since touring and working in the UK, he went back to Denmark and immediately got film and stage work.

Danny was awarded Best Actor at The UK Horror film Festival, for his portrayal of the schizophrenic David in the film 'Skizo', and Best Supporting Actor for his portrayal of Paul in 'Separated' and was nominated as Best Villain in Los Angeles in the futuristic film 'Eastern Army'. Films like 'The Fro', 'Global Alarm' and other films won awards in Europe and the US.

While Danny has directed numerous short films, documentaries, commercials and more, 'The Lone Killer' is his second feature film.