



### *Project Details*

- Title: BAPTISM
- Form: Live Action Narrative Fiction
- Duration: 39 minutes and 32 seconds
- Genre: Drama/Thriller
- Theme: Love story tragedy
- Shoot Date: May 25-August 15 2005 (Sydney)
- Completion Date: October 2005 (Sydney)
- Funding: Independently Self-Funded

#### Logline

What does it take to make you kill for love?

#### Short Synopsis

A lack of trust has driven Lee to jealousy and regrettable actions, his life is now on the line. Only his girlfriend Mya can save him...or can she?

#### Long Synopsis

Rumours of his girlfriend being unfaithful have driven Lee to regrettable actions and consequences. His life is now on the line; his boss is out to kill him, while Mya, Lee's girlfriend, discovers Lee is suspect for the rape and murder of two girls he was last seen with. Converging lives and emotions culminate to a shock ending that is Baptism.

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## *Key Crew*

*Writer/Producer/Director/Editor/Sound: Matthew McCracken*

Baptism is Matthew McCracken's first film, which was his final project for the Digital Film Diploma Course at Computer Graphics College (CGC) Sydney, Australia in 2005. He has also completed the Certificate IV course in Film at UBS Film School, Sydney University in 2003. He has worked on several TVC's and films volunteering at Fox Studios Sydney. Matthew has several short and feature film projects in development.

*Music: Legacy Of Sound*

[www.legacyofsound.hl.com.au](http://www.legacyofsound.hl.com.au)

*DOP: Francesco Bressi & Matthew McCracken*

## *Cast*

*Harris: Nicolas Canadas*

Preceding his acting career Nicolas received his BA (Interpreting and Translation) in 1994. He has performed professionally in theatre since 1998 and since 2004 has appeared in the short films 'Afterlife', 'The One I Want', 'Twenty-Two', 'Juice', and 'Prima Facie'. Nicolas is involved in two upcoming features.

*Lee: Tim Ayers*

Prior to Baptism Tim never acted before in his life. He plays guitar in the band Unknown Quantity who have released an EP. Tim has a Nursing Degree and works in Sydney.

*Mya: Ami Shenstone*

Baptism is Ami's first role in any film or stage play also. Given the chance, Ami can become one of Australia's next best thing.

*Cassie: Jillian O'Dowd*

Before graduating NIDA in 1995, Jillian obtained her teachers degree and since then has worked extensively. Her theatre credits include work for the STC, Bell Shakespeare, Hair of the Dog and Jacobsen Entertainment. Her television credits include 'Cold Feet', 'All Saints', and 'Water Rats' and her film credits include 'The Three Stooges', 'Walking on Water' and 'Dead Letter Office'. This year Jillian will be touring Australia with the musical 'The Boy From Oz'.

*Kosy: Chris A. Smirski*

Chris has worked in many different environments and types of people from Royalty, Film stars, Prison Guards, Personal bodyguards, Youth and handicapped. Chris has also been a Karate and Kick Boxing Champion in Poland, Australia and France (twice). He's now pursuing his career as an actor.

*Jimmy: James Dylan Heath*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is James' first film. He plays drums in the band Unknown Quantity with Tim and Murray.

*Rick: Murray Egan*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is Murray's first film. He plays bass in the band Unknown Quantity with Tim and James.

*Rebecca: Erin Bush*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is Erin's first film.

*Mel: Lucy Kuypers*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is Lucy's First film.

*Guy: Shayden Swain*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is Shayden's first film.

*Male Detective: Iain Fraser*

Iain has appeared in many theatre productions and student films. A primary school teacher who loves acting in his spare time.

*Female Detective: Samara Reinsch*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is Samara's first film.

*Shareena: Shareena Brown*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is Shareena's first film.

*Hotel Owner: Noel Brown*

Unprofessional actor. Baptism is Noel's first film.

