

James Cullen Bressack

(Redirected from Mike & Fred vs The Dead)

James Cullen Bressack (born c. 1992 in Los Angeles, California) is an American film producer, screenwriter and film director.^[1] He is the son of Emmy Award-winning writer Gordon Bressack and voice actress Ellen Gerstell.^{[2][3]}

Career

Bressack's first feature film, *My Pure Joy*, was released in 2011. His 2012 film *Hate Crime*, the story of a Jewish family being terrorized in their home by neo-Nazis, was banned in the UK in 2015 by the BBFC due to the "unremitting manner in which [it] focuses on physical and sexual abuse, aggravated by racist invective."^[4]

His 2013 film *To Jennifer* was filmed entirely using an iPhone.^[5] His 2014 horror film *Pernicious* was described as "*The Ring* meets *Hostel*".^[6]

In 2015, he started the Grit Film Works production company with Zack Ward, the two co-writing the films *Bethany* (directed by Bressack and starring Ward, Shannen Doherty and Tom Green) and *Restoration* (directed by Ward).^{[3][7]}

He directed the 2017 thriller *Limelight*.^[8] In late 2017, he was reported to be directing supernatural revenge thriller *Together*, and in 2018 the psychological thriller *Alone*.^{[9][10]}

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Bressack in 2015

Born	c. 1992 (age 31–32) <div><u>Los Angeles</u>, <u>California</u>, <u>United States</u></div>
Occupations	<u>Film director</u> · <u>screenwriter</u> · <u>film producer</u>
Parents	<u>Gordon Bressack</u> (father) <u>Ellen Gerstell</u> (mother)
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He is Jewish.^[11] His film "Murder anyone" was adapted from his late dads play.^[12]

Filmography

Films

Year	Title	Director	Writer	Producer	Cinematographer	Editor	Notes
2011	<i>My Pure Joy</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
	<i>Theatre of the Deranged</i>	Co-director	Co-writer	Yes	Co-cinematographer	Co-editor	segments "Andy's Theatre of Derange", "Speak Easy"
2013	<i>13/13/13</i>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	^[13]
	<i>Hate Crime</i>	Yes	Co-writer	Yes	Yes	Yes	^{[14][15][16]} banned in the United Kingdom in 2015 ^[17]
	<i>To Jennifer</i>	Yes	Yes	Executive	Co-cinematographer	Yes	
2014	<i>White Crack Bastard</i>	Yes	No	No	No	No	
	<i>Theatre of the Deranged II</i>	Co-director	Co-writer	Yes	No	Co-editor	segment "Unmimely Demise"
2015	<i>Pernicious</i>	Yes	Co-writer	No	No	No	^[18]
	<i>The Condo</i>	Yes	No	Co-executive	No	No	
2016	<i>2 Jennifer</i>	No	Characters	Executive	No	No	
2017	<i>Limelight</i>	Yes	No	Executive	No	No	featuring <u>Paul Vandervort</u> , <u>Sean Kanan</u> , <u>Jonathan Lipnicki</u> , <u>Jenna Jameson</u> , <u>Keith Coogan</u> ^[19]
	<i>CarGo</i>	Yes	Co-writer	No	No	No	
	<i>Bethany</i>	Yes	Co-writer	Yes	No	No	
2019	<i>Beyond the Law</i>	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	
2020	<i>The Call</i>	No	No	Co-producer	No	No	
2021	<i>Survive the Game</i>	Yes	No	No	No	No	
	<i>The Fortress</i>	Yes	No	No	No	No	
2022	<i>Sally Floss: Digital Detective</i>	Yes	No	Executive	No	No	featuring <u>Vernon Wells</u> , <u>Tara Reid</u> , <u>Eric Roberts</u> ^[20]
	<i>Hot Seat</i>	Yes	No	No	No	No	

	<i>Mike & Fred vs. The Dead</i>	No	No	Executive	No	No	featuring <u>Felissa Rose</u> , <u>George Jac</u> , <u>Brian Patrick Butler</u> , <u>Michael C. Burgess</u> , <u>Sadie Katz</u> , <u>Jayce Venditti</u> , <u>Nick Young</u> ^[21]
2024	<i>Darkness of Man</i> †	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	^[22]

Key

†	Denotes films that have not yet been released
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Short films

- *The Pointless Adventure of Brad and Dylan* (2004)
- *Heroine Junky for Dummies* (2005)
- *Lunar Impossible* (2006)
- *Reflecting Love* (2008)
- *The Moving Chair* (2008)
- *ColLEDGE* (2008)
- *The Music-Box Killer* (2008)
- *Unmimely Demise* (2011)
- *Dr. Suess's There's a Wocket in My Pocket* (2012)
- *Family Time* (2013)
- *Unicorn Zombie Apocalypse* (2014)

Television

- *Oh, We Review!* (2010–2012, 19 episodes)
- *Blood Lake: Attack of the Killer Lampreys* (2014, TV movie)^{[23][24]}

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