

Alex Khaskin
film and television composer

R E S U M E

Alex Khaskin was born on March 26, 1960 in St. Petersburg, Russia. He received his undergraduate education at Glinka's School for The Musically Gifted (piano and conducting), before studying composition and conducting at The St. Petersburg State Conservatory. Alex completed the postgraduate course in composition there in 1984. In addition to receiving a 'Master's with Distinction', he was also the winner of the St. Petersburg Young Composers' Festival composition prize, and graduated with the highest marks in his class.

Alex worked as a pianist, orchestrator, and arranger at Russia's Lenconcert state organisation and a music director for stage, television, and recordings -- arranging and conducting for various Russian stars. Alex regularly worked as guest conductor for the Radio and Television Orchestra of St. Petersburg, the Lenfilm Stage Orchestra, and the Orchestra of the St. Petersburg State Conservatory. Inspired to seek a career in film music, he attended master classes by the famous Russian film and classical composer Andrei Petrov. From 1985 till his immigration to Canada in 1993, Alex scored 14 theatrical and television films and documentaries.

As well as writing music for film, Alex has been active as a composer of contemporary classical music. Between 1980 and 1993, he composed a symphony, a violin concerto, 2 cello concertos, concertos for piano, a triple concerto for violin, viola and cello, a string quartet, and much other chamber music, as well as choral and vocal works.

In 1993 Alex left Russia with his family and immigrated to Canada. He became a Canadian citizen in 1996 and resides in Toronto, Ontario. For the last 15 years in Canada Alex been successfully working in the film and television industry of North America. The list of his clients includes:

CBS, CBC, CTV, Nelvana, Lions Gate Films, Artisan, Alliance/Atlantis, CCI Entertainment, Muse Entertainment, CINAR, Dufferin Gate, Decode Entertainment, Regent Entertainment, Legacy Film Works, Barna-Alper Productions and many more.

List of Credits

Feature Films.

Brilliant 2006

Oasis International

Director: Roger Cardinal

Thriller

Principal Actors: Erika Eleniak, Bruce Boxleitner

Ginger Snaps: The Beginning 2004

49th Parallel/Lions Gate

Director: Grant Harvey

Fantasy | Horror

2004 DGC Craft Award

Principal Actors: Katharine Isabelle, Emily Perkins

Rats 2003

Nu Image Films

Director: Tibor Takács

Horror | Sci-Fi | Thriller

Principal Actors: Sara Downing, Ron Perlman

Evil Breed: The Legend of Samhain 2003

Lions Gate Films Home Entertainment

Director: Christian Viel

Comedy | Horror

Principal Actors: Bobbie Phillips, Howard Rosenstein

Replicant 2001

Nu Image/Millennium/Artisan

Director: Ringo Lam

Action | Sci-Fi | Thriller

2001 Video Premiere Award

Principal Actors: Jean-Claude Van Damme, Michael Rooker

Full time Killer 2001

Teamwork Motion Pictures Ltd. 2000

Directors: Johnny To, Ka-Fai Wai

Crime | Drama | Thriller

2002 Hong Kong Film Award

Principal actors: Andy Lau, Takashi Sorimachi

Nostradamus 2000

Regent Entertainment USA

Director: Tibor Takács

Action | Sci-Fi | Adventure

Principal Actors: Rob Estes, Joely Fisher

Television movies

Spinning Boris 2003

Director: Roger Spottiswoode

Showtime Networks

Comedy | Drama

Awards: Hamptons International Film Festival (Audience Award)

Writers Guild of America, USA (WGA Award (TV))

Principal Actors: Jeff Goldblum, Liev Schreiber

The Stork Derby 2002

Director: Mario Azzopardi

Muse Entertainment Enterprises

Drama | History

Awards: Golden Reel Award (2003), Gemini (2002)

Principal actors: Megan Follows, Pascale Montpetit

Twice Upon a Christmas 2001

Director: Tibor Takács

Viacom Productions, Legacy Filmworks

Family

Principal actors: John Dye, Kathy Ireland

Once Upon a Christmas 2000

Director: Tibor Takács

Viacom Productions, Legacy Filmworks

Family

Principal actors: John Dye, Kathy Ireland

Dramatic Television Series

Peter Benchley's Amazon 1999

Producer: Alliance-Atlantis

22 episodes

Across The River to Motor City 2007

Producer: Divine Entertainment

6 episodes

The New Ghostwriter Mysteries 1997

Producer: Decode Entertainment

Theme and 6 episodes

Animation Television Series

Erky Perky

Producer: CCI Entertainment
Theme and 52 episodes
2005-2007

Odd Job Jack

Producer: Smiley Jack Studios
26 episodes
2006-2007

Flying Rhino Junior High

Producer: Nelvana
Opening Theme
1999

Simon in the Land of Chalk Drawings

Producer: CINAR INC
13 Episodes
2002

Freaky Stories

Producer: Decode Entertainment
32 Episodes
1998-2000

Feature-Length Documentaries

My Opposition 2006

Producer: CCI Entertainment

Ted Rogers 2008

Producer: Barna Alper Productions

Adult Overnight 2007

Producer: NFB

Crimes of the Heart 2003

Producer: TVO

A Star in making 2005

Producer: CBC

Living through Dying 2008

Producer: CCI entertainment

Documentary Television Series

Driving Dreams 2006

Producer: Barna Alper Productions

2-part mini-series

Turning Point of the History 2004-2007

Producer: Barna Alper Productions

Opening Theme and Following Episodes:

John Reeds Revolution 2004

Bethune 2004

Gorbachev 2005

Saharov 2005

Atom Bomb 2006

Medak 2007

Horror of Partition 2007

Mississippi Flood 2007

Underworld II

Producer: Barna Alper Productions

4-part mini-series

Nature of Things

Producer: CBC

Two episodes:

Hot Times 2007

Change of Heart 2006

DocZone

Producer: CBC

One episode:

Happiness 2007

The Greatest Canadian

Producer: CBC

One episode:

The Greatest Canadian John A. Macdonald 2006

Fifth Estate

Producer: CBC

Music library 2006-2008

Reality and Life Television Series

Ghost Tracker

Producer: CCI Entertainment
Opening Theme and 52 episodes
2005-2007

Ancestors in the Attic

Producer: Primitive Entertainment
Underscore for 25 Episodes
2006-2008

Plastic Makes Perfect

Producer: Breakthrough Films & Television
Opening Theme and 26 episodes
2007-2008

Beyond the Screen

Producer: CCI Entertainment
Opening Theme and bumpers
2008

Exotic Lives

Producer: Matter of Media Inc.
Theme and underscore
2007

Agents

Producer: Breakthrough Films & Television
Theme and music library
2008

The Little Miracles

Producer: Breakthrough Films & Television
Theme and music library
2003

Test of Faith

Producer: MicroTainment Plus International
Theme and music library
2001

Who is on Top

Producer: Great North Productions
Theme and underscore
2003

Women cops

Producer: Telefactory Inc
Theme and underscore
2005

Modern Manners

Producer: Palmerton Factory
Music library
1999