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After graduating from high school, he started an education in computer science. In 1994 he graduated from *the Institut Supérieur de Technologie* (Luxembourgish technological Institute) as industrial engineer in software development. While starting his career in computer science he simultaneously learned the ropes of special effects make-up, acting and movie directing. After rounding up a crew of specialists in photography, acting and 3d animation, Pyrrhus was created in 1999 and the first movie was produced. Mike has been employed as film director by Pyrrhus since 2006.

He's fluent in 4 languages (english, french, german and luxembourgish) and his interests lie in sports, reading, sculpture, art, computers and of course movies.

### **Film experience :**

#### **Fiction:**

##### *De Bommeleeër – Motion picture (In production)*

(2008) A Pyrrhus Production - Movie in production / Function : co-author and director

Synopsis : Tracing back the « Bommeleeër »'s origins into the 14th century, we discover where the onymous terrorist comes from and what makes him tick...

##### *« De Bommeleeër » series – Episod 111 & 112 (Episod 113 In production)*

(2008) A Pyrrhus Production - Short film series in luxembourgish (10 min/episode) / Function : author , camera, director and editor

*Synopsis episod 112:* In the second episod the « Bommeleeër » destroys the « Gëlle Fra » an icon for luxembourgish resistance during world war two. His rampage seems to take no end. Who can stop him now ?

*Synopsis episod 111:* The « Bommeleeër » (A mythic terrorist figure in Luxembourg history) returns to terrorize Luxembourg. Two cops, Mulles and Frunnes - both as smart as a stick - take him on. As the web of the Bommeleeër's scheme untangles, we realise that what may seem wrong is sometimes right.

##### *Ricky*

(2008) A Pyrrhus Production - Short film in french (7 minutes) / Function : author , director and editor

Synopsis : A schoolteacher comes to his senses in a classroom filled with the corpses of his students. While he relives the moments that lead to this tragic event, he progressively loses his mind....

##### *Psychlist*

(2007) A Pyrrhus Production - Short film, fiction, fantastique, suspense, no dialogue (28 minutes) / Function: Director, actor and editor

Synopsis : Four persons, a cyclist, a woman, a mountainbiker and a mysterious black rider head out to their respective destinations. An incident involving these 4 characters will lead to a duel with an unexpected outcome.

Functions : actor, author, director and editor

Winner « Best film » at the « Internationales Fahrradvideo Festival » in Bochum (Germany)

##### *Mots croisés*

(2006) A Pyrrhus / Katharsia co-production - Short film, comedy in french (4 minutes) / Functions : camera, director and editor

Synopsis : Jean-Michel is desperately looking for a toilet. When he finally seems to get lucky, he quickly runs out of luck with the encounters he makes...

##### *Passage*

(2006) A Pyrrhus Production - Short film, suspense no dialogue (2 minutes) / Functions : director, camera and editor

Synopsis : A girl tries to find her way in what seems to be a nightmare.

##### *Zaldot*

(2006) A Pyrrhus Production - Short film, fiction, suspense no dialogue (7 minutes) / Functions : actor, author, director and co-editor

Synopsis : 3 soldiers on patrol in the woods are attacked by rebels. Good and bad are relative when survival is the ultimate aim...

##### *La Roulette Rousse*

(2005) A Patrick Legrand production - Short film, fiction, suspense in french (25 minutes) / Functions : actor, technical advisor

Synopsis : Martin is caught in the hands of a military torturer. Every time he fades away from the pain he's with the love of his life in his dreams. But could it be that this woman was playing him all along?

(Director: Patrick Legrand)

##### *Zombie Film*

(2005) An Obskura Production - Feature film, horror-comedy in luxembourgish (76 minutes)

Functions : actor, co-author, co-director, special effects (make-up) and co-editor

Synopsis : 2 guys, who may not be the sharpest tools in the shed, head out to a cabin in the woods to party. They inadvertently raise some zombies. Nothing they couldn't handle if it weren't for a bunch of yuppies getting lost not far away...

##### *Playback*

(2002) A Pyrrhus Production - Short film in english (32 minutes) / Functions : Actor, author, director and editor

Synopsis : A private detective, whose glory days in karaoke are long past, is asked to investigate the disappearance of a girl. In the course of his investigation, he finds out that mountainbikers are not what they used to be....

#### **Documentation:**

##### *Zombie Film - Making of: Special Effects*

(2006) An Obskura/Pyrrhus Production - Documentary in luxembourgish (18 minutes) / Functions : author, director and editor

##### *Duell*

(2002) A Pyrrhus Production - Documentary, comedy in luxembourgish (12 minutes) / Functions : camera and editor

Synopsis : 2 novices to boxing get in the ring, one ends up with a broken nose, the other takes on an experienced boxer.

**Music videos:**

*Rude Revelation - "Evening prayer"*  
(2009) In production

*Velvet Mynx - "Ghost"*  
(2009) In production

*MadCrow - "Sweet Illusion"*  
(2009) In production

*Maggie Parke - "Roll with the punches"*  
(2007) A Pyrrhus / Waltzing-Parke Audio Production / Functions : co-author, director and co-editor  
Music video clip

*Dizzy Good - "Accept your destiny"*  
(2006) A Pyrrhus Production / Functions : author, director and co-editor  
Music video clip

**Events:**

*Eurodjango Awards*  
(2008) An Agence Luxembourgeoise d' Action Culturelle project / Functions: picture director, camera and editor  
European jazz awards ceremony recorded at the Conservatoire de musique de la ville de Luxembourg edited to DVD

*Jazz & Violins - Dangerous Liasons*  
(2007) A Waltzing-Parke project / Functions: picture director, camera, editor  
Concert recorded at the Philharmonie and edited to DVD

*Jazz Nights*  
(2007) A Banque de Luxembourg/Waltzing-Parke production / Function: Picture director, camera and editor  
4 Jazz concerts edited to DVD

**Corporate & promotional films:**

*Villeroy & Boch - Porcelain*  
(2008) A Pyrrhus production – Corporate training film (20 minutes) / Function : director, camera and editor

*David Goldrake Promotion Clip*  
(2008) A Mathias Fishedick Production - Promotion Clip (10 minutes) / Function : camera and lights

*Villeroy & Boch - Cutlery*  
(2007) A Pyrrhus production – Corporate training film (20 minutes) / Function : director, camera and editor

*123Go*  
(2007) A Katharsia production / Function: co-director, camera and editor  
Entrepreneur contest - Finalists presentation film

*Villeroy & Boch - Glass*  
(2007) A Katharsia production – Corporate training film (20 minutes) / Function : camera, director and editor

*Gionvanni Patri - Promotion clip*  
(2005) A Pyrrhus Production - Promotion clip in german, luxembourgish and french (8 minutes) / Functions : Director, camera and editor

**Miscellaneous projects:**

*Children's book: "Quasidodo auf der Suche"*  
(2009) Script writer and storyboard developer on project. The book in german language is intended for children age 4-6.

*Indie Horror Picture Show*  
(2008) An event created by Pyrrhus/Feierblum/Pulsa to promote luxembourgish independant film makers/ Function: Co-creator & -organizer

*Podium.lu*  
(2007) A Pyrrhus - Infotech Solutions project / Function : co-manager  
Video portal for luxembourgish artists in general and luxembourgish filmmakers in specific

**Other experience :**

**1998-2005:**  
Systems administrator at the *Institut Luxembourgeois de Régulation* (Luxembourgish telecom, postal and energy regulator)

**1997-1998:**  
System operator responsible for the transmission of the spanish pay-tv "*Canal Satellite Digital*" at RTL-GROUP, formerly CLT-UFA (Luxembourg)

**1995-1997:**  
Research assistant for the computer science department of the *Institut Supérieur de Technologie* (Luxembourgish technological institute)

**1994-1995:**  
Replacement teacher in grade school

**Internet sites:** [www.pyrrhus.lu](http://www.pyrrhus.lu)

[www.podium.lu](http://www.podium.lu)

[www.bommeleer.lu](http://www.bommeleer.lu)

[www.psychlist.com](http://www.psychlist.com)