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Director Jan Wentz

Before Jan became one of the most respected and awarded German commercial directors he studied film and television production at the University of Akron (U.S.) and at the academy of media Arts in Cologne, Germany. He signed in 1997 with Markenfilm, Hamburg where he directed his first commercial. Ever since he has built an international career as an exceptional, visual storyteller for brands such as Mercedes, Citroen, Gucci, Volkswagen, Hornbach, Audi, Smart, Telekom and SEAT to name just a few.

In 2007 he created the most awarded German commercial when he took the Grand Prix at the European ADC for his *Hornbach* daredevil jump of faux stunt legend “Ron Hammer”. There followed a string of further successes such as his character-driven and dark Seat spot “The Myth” as well as Smart’s funny “Parking Meter” ad featuring Robbie Williams. Over the years Jan has directed a unique range of talents such as James Franco, Leonardo DiCaprio, Robbie Williams and Nina Hagen. He also wrote and directed the short film “The Porter” starring Max Beesley and Roxy Music icon Bryan Ferry.

Jan lives in Hamburg with his wife and two children.