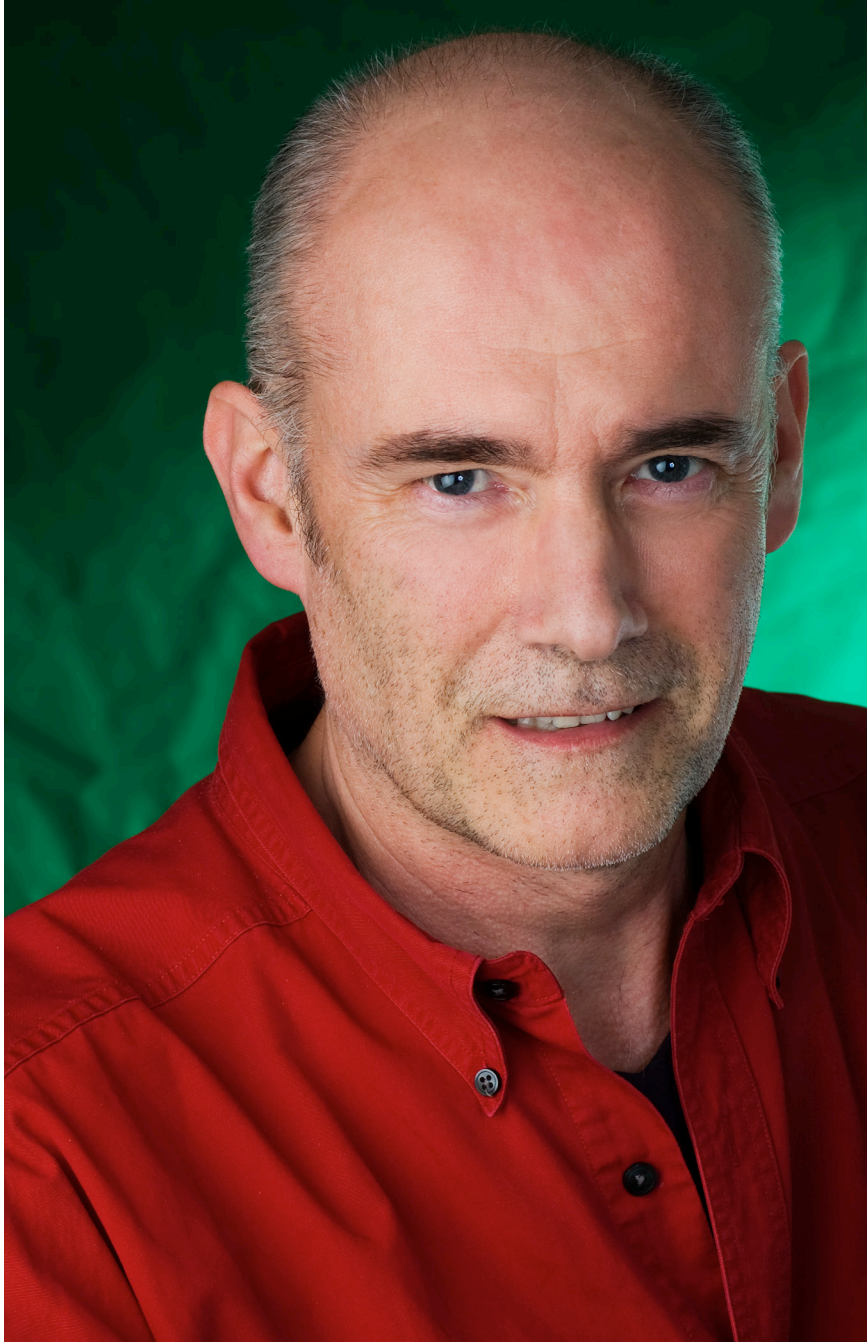


**IAN VERNON**  
**BIOGRAPHY**  
**WRITER/DIRECTOR/CINEMATOGRAPHER**



Ian studied film production and photography for three years at Teesside College of Art, in the Northeast, UK. After earning his degree, Ian became a photographer at Carlton Studios, Manchester (part of Carlton TV), gaining a reputation for lighting and special effects.

He then spent sixteen years as a freelance photographer working on advertising, fashion and lifestyle assignments around the world. He devoted his spare time to honing his scriptwriting ability, studying acting, directing, shooting and editing.

In 2000 Ian set up Biffa Productions, with the long-term goal of directing feature films. Since then he has worked to build up a catalogue of productions in the UK; **ACTORS**, a 6 part mockumentary television pilot, 4 short films in the UK and 3 in Los Angeles.

"Oh for a budget!" All productions have had no -or miniscule- finance. "I've learned how to make quality productions with no-finance. I have so much passion, loving every aspect of the process, that I'm the cinematographer." Ian uses the alias - Ivan D. Rennov.

Ian has visited LA four times a year for the last fourteen years; building up contacts in the film world, writing screenplays, attending workshops, and directing.

He has attended Cannes and American Film Market numerous times. His X-files-style feature script **WHO WE ARE** - set in the UK and LA - was pitched at AFM in 2005. A financier came on board and wanted Ian to immediately package the \$12 million project.

But project collapsed in early pre-production when the financier's investors overspent on other projects, and pulled out of all slated projects.

Ian has also had two feature scripts at Disney's Touchstone pictures and Trilogy Entertainment. Three of his short films were official selections at the LA International Short Film festival, one at Palm Springs Festival, and one at Chicago Film Festival.

Ian's self-penned drama, **HELP JIMMY HOME**, won script development funding from the UK lottery & UKFilm Council. He hopes to direct this "passion project" in the future.

## **FEATURES**

**REBELS WITHOUT A CLUE** - Ian's first feature was made with a £50,000 budget. The 80-minute black comedy about teenagers that find a cool car, stash of coke, a body, and money. Filmed almost entirely on the desolate moors of North West England.

**BEST LITTLE WHOREHOUSE IN ROCHDALE** - was his second feature film. A 106-minute comedy/drama made for less than £5000.

After the untimely death of her husband, shy Joan needs money to pay the bills. With the assistance of her two unconventional friends, she finally decides to setup a co-operative brothel...A brothel with no sex!  
Set in Rochdale - the town that formed the first ever co-operative society.

**THE WAR I KNEW** - a 99-minute WWII drama.

D-Day: A British paratroop squad are dropped off-target behind French enemy lines and wiped-out.

PRIVATE JOHNNY BARROWS is the only survivor. He's inexperienced, scared...and lost. Johnny must grow up and become a man on his perilous journey to safety.  
Currently completing post-production.

Ian has also coached actors in screen acting for over thirteen years.

## **WHOREHOUSE - AWARDS**

**PALM BEACH FILM FESTIVAL - AUDIENCE FAVORITE AWARD**

**SAN DIEGO FILM FESTIVAL - BEST FOREIGN FEATURE**

**LONDON INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL - Best Feature**

## **WHOREHOUSE - Review**

**LONDON FILM REVIEW** - <http://www.thelondonfilmreview.com/film-review/best-little-whorehouse-in-rochdale-review-london-independent-film-festival/>

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**REBELS - AWARDS**

**IBIZA FILM FESTIVAL, Spain:**

Best Soundtrack, Cinematography, Best Supporting Actor.

**RAINDANCE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL, London:**

Nominated Best UK Feature

**15th FESTIVAL DU FILM BRITANNIQUE. Nantes, France**

Nominated Prix Univercine -

**REBELS - Reviews**

**Best For Film** - <http://bestforfilm.com/film-reviews/comedy/rebels-without-a-clue/>

**SNIPE, London reviews** - <http://snipe.at/film/raindance-review-rebels-without-a-clue>

**WEBSITES:**

[www.thewariknewfilm.co.uk](http://www.thewariknewfilm.co.uk)

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

[www.rebelswithoutaclue.co.uk](http://www.rebelswithoutaclue.co.uk)

**ACTING COACH** - [www.vernonactingmethod.co.uk](http://www.vernonactingmethod.co.uk)

**IMDB**

**REBELS:**

<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1308012/>

**WHOREHOUSE:**

<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1728971/combined>

**THE WAR I KNEW:**

[http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2876438/?ref\\_=fn\\_al\\_tt\\_1](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2876438/?ref_=fn_al_tt_1)

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