



PRODUCTION NOTES

James D. Cooper's
LAMBERT & STAMP



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**'James D. Cooper's impeccably directed debut is a definitive
screen bio of The Who and its rock operatic rise'**

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Dogwoof announces the UK theatrical premiere of James D. Cooper's directorial debut **LAMBERT & STAMP**. The film stars **Chris Stamp** and **Kit Lambert**, and features **Pete Townshend**, **Roger Daltrey** and **Terence Stamp**. The film premiered at the 2014 Sundance Film Festival to wide acclaim and critical reviews and also has its North American release in April 2015 through Sony Pictures Classics. The film is a Harms/Cooper, Motocinema, Inc. production and was gorgeously photographed and directed by renowned cinematographer Cooper who also produced along with Loretta Harms and Douglas Graves. Executive producers are Loretta Harms and Mark Mullen.

Chris Stamp and **Kit Lambert**, aspiring filmmakers from opposite sides of the tracks, set out to find a subject for their underground movie. Inspired by the burgeoning 1960s youth culture, they found the **High Numbers** whose rebellious restlessness was just what they were looking for. Renaming them **The Who**, they quickly scrapped the idea of making a movie and imbued into the process their unusual chemistry, filmic ideas, stylish dress and outrageous performance. They forged a complex and moving relationship, deeply tragic and brilliantly comedic, fuelling the band's artistic development and leaving an indelible imprint on its time and generations to come.

LAMBERT & STAMP is a thrilling non-fiction feature film that charts this creative partnership and their meteoric rise; and the cathartic and turbulent times on the road to mega stardom. Revealing insights into the complex relationship between **Chris Stamp** and **Kit Lambert** and that relationship's influence on **The Who** are evocatively portrayed through candid conversations with remaining band members **Pete Townshend** and **Roger Daltrey**. **LAMBERT & STAMP** delivers stunning rare footage from the early 1960s and London's mod scene in all its glory, along with alluring and arresting contemporary photography by James D. Cooper, bringing the emotional story to the present day. Driven by some of the most epic tracks of the 20th Century, this extraordinary film comes to UK cinemas 15 May 2015 courtesy of Dogwoof.

Starring **Chris Stamp** and **Kit Lambert** and featuring interviews with **Roger Daltrey**, **Pete Townshend**, **Terence Stamp**, **Richard Barnes**, **Heather Daltrey**, **John Hemming**, **Robert Fearnley-Whittingstall** and **Irish Jack**.

SYNOPSIS

LAMBERT & STAMP tells the remarkable story of **Chris Stamp** and **Kit Lambert**, New Wave filmmakers from opposite sides of the tracks who set out to make an underground movie, leading them to discover, mentor and manage the iconic band known as **The Who**. This complex relationship, deeply tragic and brilliantly comedic, fuelled the band's development leaving an indelible imprint for generations to come. Charged with a mad concoction of noise, love and rebellion, director **James D. Cooper** takes us on the surprising ride and universal search examining the sensitive and frightening bonds that make it possible to create.

Cast and Credits

LAMBERT & STAMP

2015, 117 minutes, colour & b/w, U.S.A

Director: James D. Cooper

Executive Producers: Loretta Harms, Mark Mullen

Producers: James D. Cooper, Loretta Harms, Douglas Graves

Cinematographer: James D. Cooper

Editor: Christopher Tellefsen, A.C.E.

**Associate Producers: W. Wilder Knight II, Elizabeth Negrotto-Sapnar Music:
The Who**

**Principal Cast: Chris Stamp, Kit Lambert, Pete Townshend, Roger Daltrey,
Terence Stamp, Heather Daltrey, Richard Barnes, John Hemming, Robert
Fearnley-Whittingstall, Irish Jack**