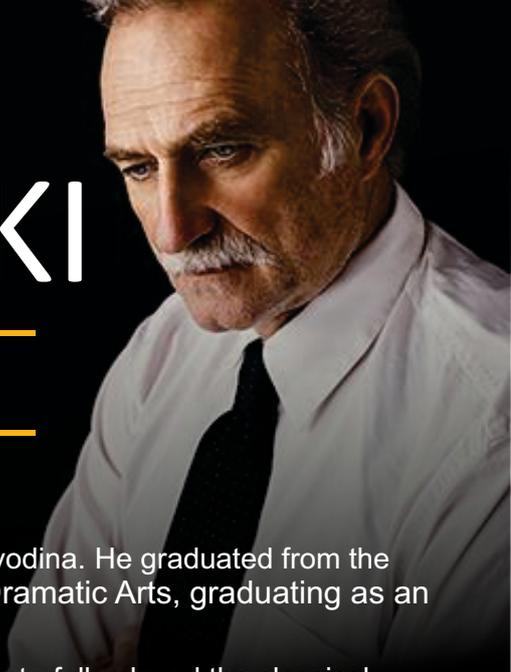


# LAZAR RISTOVSKI

A black and white portrait of Lazar Ristovski, an older man with a mustache, wearing a light-colored dress shirt and a dark tie. He is looking slightly to the left of the camera with a serious expression.

## SHORT BIOGRAPHY

/ actor / director / producer / writer

Lazar Ristovski was born on 10/26/1952 in Ravno Selo in the province of Vojvodina. He graduated from the Teacher College in Sombor, and then completed the Belgrade Academy of Dramatic Arts, graduating as an actor. He lives and works in Belgrade.

At the beginning of his career he was deeply dedicated to theater where he masterfully played the classical repertoire including Shakespeare and Moliere; well-known are his creations of Hamlet at the Dubrovnik Summer Festival - directed by Oscar winner Jiri Menzel, and his interpretations of Don Juan and Amadeus. He appeared in many productions of plays by local writers such as Dušan Kovačević, Aca Popović, Stevan Koprivica, Siniša Kovačević, Radoslav Pavlović. He delivered more than 4,000 performances.

He also appeared in more than 70 films, TV series and TV dramas - mostly in leading roles.

Memorable are his roles in Podzemlje (Underground), Tito i ja, Do koske, Tako se kalio čelik, Bure baruta, Balkanska pravila, Boomerang, Pad u raj, Mali svet, Sveti Georgije ubiva aždahu.

He also appeared in Hollywood productions: The November Man, Casino Royal, Along the Roadside. He starred in a number of European movies as well.

As a producer, he completed thirteen feature films and has directed two: The White Suit and Beli Lavovi. The White Suit - his fully authored project - had its world premiere at the Cannes Film Festival in 1999 and was the Yugoslav candidate for the Academy Award.

He is the recipient of numerous national and international prizes and recognitions.

The *Sterija Award*, The *October Prize* of the city of Belgrade, the *Živojin Zika - Pavlović Award*, the *Sergey Bondarchuk Award*, three *Grand Prix* at the Niš Film Encounters, the *Crystal Prism*, the *Zoran Radmilović Award*, the *Golden Orlando* at the Dubrovnik Festival, the *Best Actor* prize at the Valladolid Festival, as well as many others...

He is the honorary citizen of Zemun.

He has also written two novels and a book of stories.

Lazar Ristovski is the owner of the Zillion Film production company.

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