

## Wong Kar Wai, Director

Born in Shanghai and raised in Hong Kong, director Wong Kar Wai is one of the world's most visionary filmmakers working today. His unique vision has earned him an international following and prestige. His film *Happy Together* (1997) won the Best Director Prize at the Cannes Film Festival. All of his subsequent features have premiered at Cannes: *In the Mood for Love* in 2000 (winning the Best Actor prize for Tony Leung Chiu Wai), *2046* in 2004, and his English-language debut *My Blueberry Nights* was the opening film of the festival in 2007. Mr. Wong served as President of the Jury at Cannes in 2006.

In addition to his features, he has made a number of music videos and short films, including *The Follow* (2003, starring Clive Owen, for the BMW on-line series The Hire) and *There's Only One Sun* (2007, starring Amelie Daure, for Philips), both of which helped pioneer the genre of longer narrative commercials. His advertising work is extensive, including commercials for such world-recognized brands as Lancome, Dior, Ralph Lauren and Softbank featuring stars like Eva Green, Laetitia Casta, and Brad Pitt.