



## Jeremy Thomas

Jeremy Thomas began his career in the music business promoting artists such as Al Green, the Moody Blues and John Entwistle. Writing short crime stories during this time, his work eventually led to commissions to write for film and tv. Due to his own battle with the illness, he co-produced the award winning documentary about manic depression with Dr Tony Hughes – *Stephen Fry, The Secret Life of the Manic Depressive*. He co-wrote with Hughes, *You Don't Have to Be Famous to have Manic Depression: An Insiders Guide to Mental Health – Michael Joseph/Penguin*. His debut novel *Taking Leave – Timewell Press*, was voted book of the month by Radio 5.

### Books

#### **THE SANTA MONICA SUICIDE CLUB**

Currently writing the first of a series of novels featuring a badly in debt and single British private detective living in Los Angeles.

#### **YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE FAMOUS HAVE MANIC DEPRESSION**

Published by Michael Joseph in 2006. Released in paperback in Spring 2008.

#### **TAKING LEAVE**

Debut novel voted Book of the Month by BBC Radio 5. Published in November 2006 by Timewell Press.

*Taking Leave is a glorious celebration of human frailty. It is funny, moving, and clever and exposes uncomfortable truths about the record industry. Sue Townsend*

### Television

#### **STEPHEN FRY: THE SECRET LIFE OF THE MANIC DEPRESSIVE**

Winner of the International Emmy and short listed for a BAFTA. This award winning documentary was co-written by Jeremy. Associate producer with Dr Tony Hughes, *A fantastic programme... This bold, touching, unsentimental film should help rid mental illness of some of its stigma. The Guardian*

**THE SOURCE**

Consultant to ITV series, written by John Forte, produced by Sita Williams (The Street, Winner of international Emmy and BAFTA)

**Plays/Screenplays**

**TWO STEPS FORWARD**

Two hander stageplay set in a prison cell in Afghanistan. Currently being developed by Michael Eaves (director).

**ONE OF OUR METERS IS MISSING**

Co-author of this comedy drama for television.

**THE NOSE JOB**

Commissioned script by Paul Cowan for feature film.

**Speaking Engagements**

**CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY**

In conjunction with the Charlie Waller Memorial Trust, key note speaker at Emmanuel College May 2010.

**TIMES LITERARY FESTIVAL**

Speaker at the festival at Cheltenham on the topic of "In Sickness and In Health".

**MDF ANNUAL CONVENTION**

Keynote speaker at the annual convention in December 2006.

**SOUTH WEST OF ENGLAND  
MDF CONFERENCE**

Guest speaker at the conference with Professor Nick Craddock of Cardiff University

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