



Waise LEE 李子雄 (b. 1959.12.19)

Actor

The Hong Kong-born Lee was a graduate of Television Broadcasts Limited's (TVB) performing artist training programme, Lee did not go straight into acting, but instead became a civil servant. He was later spotted by Tsui Hark to star in John Woo's *A Better Tomorrow* (1986). His natural and engaging performance as the traitor Shing built up the enduring image as a treacherous villain. He was nominated as Best Supporting Actor and Best New Performer for this role at the 6th Hong Kong Film Awards. Lee later played a number of positive male lead roles, including in *The Big Heat* (1988), *Gunmen* (1988) and *Stage Door Johnny* (1990). After his success with the negative roles he played in gangster films, such as *Bullet in the Head* (1990) and *Story of Kennedy Town* (1990), Lee was often typecast as the vicious villain. In 1989, Lee was invited by TVB to shoot a series of dramas under their banner, but he only signed one year contract.

From 1993, Lee started to appear in a number of popular TVB drama series including *Mind Our Own Business* (1993), *Cold Blood Warm Heart* (1996), *Burning Flame* (1998) and *Justice Sung II* (1999). He also starred in *To Where He Belongs* (2001) for Asia Television Limited (ATV).

After 2001, Lee shifted his focus to Mainland dramas, and migrated to Beijing in 2007. Some of his works include *All Men are Brothers* (2011) and *Cold Storm* (2012). In 2013, he returned to TVB as a freelancer and acted in the drama *Black Heart White Soul* (2014). Meanwhile, he continued his film acting career and mostly appeared in Mainland's network films. His Hong Kong film credits in the new millennium include *Cold War II* (2016) and *Colour of the Game* (2017).
