

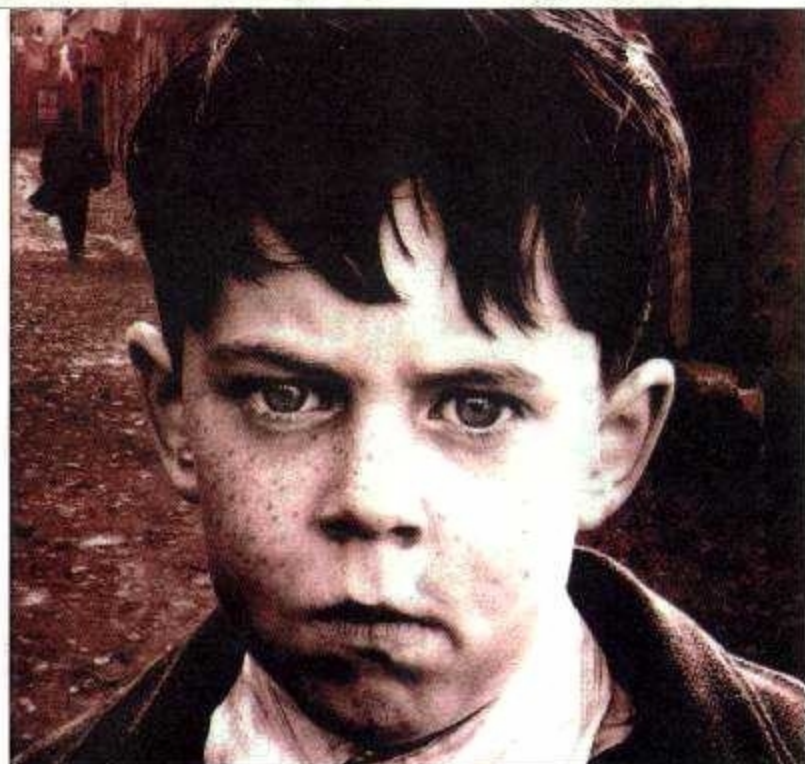


# Commitments is bleedin' massive as it tops film poll

## List of top 10 movies

1. The Commitments
2. My Left Foot
3. In the Name of the Father
4. Ryan's Daughter
5. The Snapper
6. Michael Collins
7. The Field
8. Intermision
9. Veronica Guerin
10. Inside I'm Dancing

Angela's Ashes didn't make it but, top from left, My Left Foot, The Commitments and The Quiet Man were all voted into the top ten.



### Eugene Moloney

FILM maker Alan Parker's adaptation of Roddy Doyle's 'The Commitments' has been voted the best Irish film of all-time.

The musical comedy based around the adventures of a Dublin-based soul band and released in 1991 was voted tops in a poll of 10,000 people nationwide.

Three films by Dublin director Jim Sheridan were included in the top 10 - 'My Left Foot' (2); 'In the Name of the Father' (3); and 'The Field' (7) - the first two starring Daniel Day Lewis.

There was no place in the top 10 for one of the bookie's favourite's

'Ryan's Daughter', although the John Ford 1952 classic 'The Quiet Man', starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara, was voted number four.

Bookmakers Paddy Power had quoted odds for 'My Left Foot' and 'In the Name of the Father' at 3/1 and 9/2 respectively with 'Ryan's Daughter' at 10/1, and the more recent 'Inside I'm Dancing' at 50/1.

The film version of Roddy Doyle's 'The Snapper' came in at fifth place while in sixth place was Neil Jordan's 1996 epic 'Michael Collins', starring Liam Neeson in the title role.

Those who entered the

competition, organised by Jameson whiskey in conjunction with 'The Dubliner' magazine, selected only one Jordan movie for the top 10 Irish movies of all time ignoring both the 'Crying Game', for which he won an Oscar for best original screenplay, and his adaptation of Pat McCabe's 'The Butcher's Boy'.

Other popular Irish movies that failed to make the list were 'Eat the Peach', 'Angela's Ashes', 'Borstal Boy', 'Trojan Eddie', 'Song for a Raggy Boy', 'Circle of Friends', 'Darby O'Gill and the Little People', 'Lamb', 'Disco Pigs' and 'In America'.

However, included in the top 10 were the recent

low budget comedy 'Intermission' (8) starring Colm Meaney and Colin Farrell, Joel Schumacher's film about murdered journalist 'Veronica Guerin' (9) and last year's surprise hit 'Inside I'm Dancing' (10).

Jameson, which sponsors the Dublin International Festival, conducted the online poll with the magazine asking film buffs to send in their entries during the month of June and to choose from more than 80 films listed on its website.

Entrants were also free to choose a movie not included on the recommended list and prizes included a weekend for two at the Venice Film Festival in September.