## **Dalip Sondhi**

Dalip Sondhi is currently starring as Rupert Steele in the ABC's new medical drama Pulse.

Dalip's feature credits include working alongside Timothy Spall in the Australian feature **Sucker**, and playing the lead in **Absolution** (Official Selection Vancouver, Pasadena, Kansas). In India he has worked with Shraddha Kapoor in the upcoming feature **Half Girlfriend** and Vipin Sharma in the soon to be released Goan film **Baarish**.

Of Indian origin, Dalip grew up in London where he began his working life as a UK Metropolitan Police Officer spending time with the Crime Squad during the turbulent 1980s. Leaving the police to train as an actor and director, he has a *Masters in Performance Studies* from London's Central School of Speech and Drama, a *Post Graduate* in *Theatre Education* from the University of London, and a BA (Hons) Acting from Middlesex University and Montclair State College (New York).

During the early 1990s Dalip toured extensively with Caught in the Act and Soapbox Theatre companies in the UK, as well as performing at the Edinburgh Fringe. In 1994 he began directing and training actors, theatre makers and educators. Over the past 20 years Dalip has held senior positions and led staff teams at the UK's Hertfordshire University, Rose Bruford College and Australia's Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts - WAAPA. He completed his career as an *Associate Professor* in 2013 to entirely focus and return to his work as an actor.

Dalip is currently co-producing a feature film with one of Australia's leading producers, Robyn Kershaw in collaboration with India's acclaimed Nandita Das and Australia's Dot West.