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Creative, diligent and passionate self-shooting Producer and Director with multi-genre background across Science, Factual, Arts and Entertainment. With a wide range of experience working with high-profile talent, camera and sound operating, drama reconstruction, live studio shows, complex international filming setup and management with and without fixer assistance – while keeping up-to-date with the latest kit and technology.

I have recently completed shooting and PDing two one-hour episodes of Mega Machines for the Discovery Science channel, DV Directing on several science and engineering programmes and shooting an investigative Documentary into the Genoa Bridge collapse for the BBC and PBS NOVA, which was nominated for a Grierson award.

I am incredibly comfortable with fast-turnaround productions and obs-doc filming along with long-form documentary, drama recon, live studio broadcasts and large-scale events.

I have a solid track record in setup, filming and finding quality onscreen contributors. I also have experience dealing with sensitive subject matters and contributors along with some of the largest institutions, companies and museums worldwide.

- Strong self-shooter with full BBC camera and sound training. Strong editorial skills and knowledge.
- Solid experience Directing on location, scripting and edit producing. Also trained in drone operation (not licensed), emergency first aid, first aid in the workplace, confined spaces with an OSHA 10-Hour Construction Safety Certification.
- Shooting ability using numerous cameras, including: FS7, C300, PMW 300/500, F5/F55, Arri Amira, XF305, A7S, 5D, BlackMagic, GoPro. Along with moving timelapse, drone filming and still photography.
- US I-Visa holder (until 2022) with experience filming in and setting up shoots across the UK & Europe along with the Arctic, USA, Caribbean, Canada, China, Japan, Chile, Peru, Turkey, Egypt, Jordan, Israel, and Iceland.
- Highly computer literate and tech savvy with Avid & FCP edit experience. Full Clean UK Driving License.

RECENT PRODUCTIONS

Dec '20 – Jan '21

BBC1, Inside The Factory

2nd Unit Director, Voltage TV

- Filming all detail shots & cutaways for Series 6. Adhering to strict Covid-19 rules.

Oct '20 - Nov '20

BBC 1, The One Show

Producer/Director, BBC Studios

- Producing and Directing fast turnaround topical VT inserts for a nightly magazine programme.
Directing films with vulnerable children for BBC Children in Need.

Aug '20 – Sept '20

BBC1, Inside The Factory

2nd Unit Director, Voltage TV

- Filming all detail, slides and cutaways for 3 episodes of the series, across the UK. Adhering to strict Covid-19 rules and completing the project safely.

Apr '20 – July '20

Channel 5, Michael McIntyre

Producer, ITN Productions

- Producing a feature length documentary on Michael McIntyre's life and career during the Covid-19 lockdown. Booking contributors and editing archive packages from home. Developing new ways to film contributors in their homes, sending out kit and remotely controlling cameras to interview high profile contributors.

Jul '19 – Feb '20

Discovery Science, Mega Machines

Producer/Director, Windfall Films

- Producing, Directing, self-shooting and edit producing episodes 1 & 6 of Mega Machines/Rise of the Machines series 3. Episodes were 'High-speed super ship', covering a passenger catamaran in the Mediterranean, and "Electric Super-Car" covering a Formula E racing car.

Jun '19 – July '19

Discovery Science, Building Giants

DV Director, Windfall Films

- Filming a one-hour Documentary on the construction of the new LA Metro tunnels. Filming within the Tunnel Boring Machine and at station building sites across the city.

Apr '19 – May '19

Discovery Science, Secrets of the Superfactories

DV Director, Pioneer Productions

- Setting up shoots and filming at 10 different Factory sites across America. Contributors included Volkswagen, Frito-Lay, NASA, Jelly Belly, Tesla, Amazon, UPS and Tabasco.

March '19

National Geographic, Chasing the Equinox

DV Director, Pioneer Productions

- Setting up shoot and filming at remote Chaco Canyon National Park in New Mexico for the vernal equinox.

Dec '18 – Feb '19

BBC2 & PBS NOVA, When Bridges Collapse: The Genoa Disaster

DV Director, Windfall Films

- Solely filming a rapid response documentary on the bridge disaster in Italy. Setting up shoot in USA to film with other bridge disasters, tracking down survivors and gaining access to different state Departments of Transport. Setting up a shoot with TfL inside the Hammersmith Flyover & filming in -30C in Minneapolis. Documentary is currently nominated for a Grierson Award.

Oct '18 - Nov '18

BBC 1, The One Show

Producer/Director, BBC Studios

- Producing and Directing fast turnaround topical VT inserts for a nightly magazine programme. Directing films with vulnerable children for BBC Children in Need and Directing and Producing the Rickshaw Challenge, helping raise £4.5m.

July '18 – Sept '18

Channel 5, Around the World By Train

Assistant Producer, Rumpus Media

- Setting up and filming a railway journey from London to Istanbul with Sir Tony Robinson. Filming in Paris, Stuttgart, Munich, Budapest and Istanbul.

Mar '18 – May '18

Discovery, Strip The Cosmos

Assistant Producer, Windfall Films

- Setting up and filming 12 sequences for returning space science series for Discovery. Setting up filming at NASA Ames and JPL, Columbia University, the Large Binocular Telescope and other notable institutions and US Military installations.

Nov '17 – Mar '18

Channel 5, Inside Hotel Chocolat

Shooting AP, BBC Studios

- Working as a two person crew to set-up and film a 2-part obs doc with sensitive access and difficult locations including cocoa plantations, rainforests and large scale factories. Maintaining strong relationships with contribs and following new stories as they develop.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2006 – 2009 Salford University
BA (hons) in Television and Radio Production
2004 – 2006 Runshaw College
BTEC National Diploma in Media Production
1999 – 2004 Southlands High School
11 GCSE's A-C inc. English, Maths and Science

ADDITIONAL CREDITS

BBC2 - The Fifteen Billion Pound Railway
DV Director – 2020

National Geographic – Rebuilding LaGuardia Airport
DV Director – 2020

BBC2 - Inside The Factory
DV Director - 2019

Discovery - Eye In The Sky
Development Producer - 2018

BBC1 - The One Show
Producer/Director – 2017

Reelz - The Real Story of...
Assistant Producer – 2017

BBC2 - Inside The Factory
Assistant Producer - 2017

BBC2/Smithsonian - The Search For A New Earth
Assistant Producer – 2016/17

Discovery – Outrageous Acts of Danger
Assistant Producer – 2016

Channel 5 – Celebrity Carry on Barging
Camera Operator – 2016

Channel 5 – Secrets of the National Trust
Assistant Producer – 2016

Discovery – What On Earth?
Assistant Producer – 2016

BBC1 - World's Greatest Cities: New York
Assistant Producer - 2016

BBC1 – The Battle for Christianity
Camera Operator – 2016

BBC 1 & 2, Stargazing Live
Assistant Producer/Director – 2015/16

Smithsonian – Terror On Everest
Assistant Producer – 2015

BBC1, Tomorrow's Food
Assistant Producer - 2015

BBC2 – Artsnight Booker Prize
Camera & Sound Operator – 2015

BBC4 - What Do Artists Do All Day?
Camera & Sound Operator – 2015

BBC4 - Secret Knowledge – Cabinets of Curiosity
Camera Operator – 2015

BBC1 - Eclipse Live: A Stargazing Special
Assistant Producer - 2015

BBC1 - The One Show/Children in Need – Rickshaw Challenge
Camera Operator - 2014

BBC2 - Rankin shoots Rembrandt
Camera Operator – 2014

BBC1 – Britain Beneath Your Feet
Assistant Producer – 2014

BBC2 - A Portrait of Jonathan Yeo
Camera & Sound Operator – 2013

BBC2 - Alive: Rankin Faces Death
Camera Operator – 2013

BBC2 – The Culture Show
Shooting Researcher – 2013

Short Film – Darklight
1st AD – 2012

BBC1 – The One Show
Shooting Researcher – 2011 to 2013

BBC1 - Blue Peter
Runner - 2011

BBC1 – Watchdog
PMA - 2010

BBC1 - Crimewatch: Solved
Runner – 2010

Park Village – Clairol Advert
Runner - 2010

ITV1 - Boyzone - A Tribute to Stephen Gately
Runner – 2010

Channel 4 - Celebrity Big Brother
Runner - 2010

BBC1 – Crimewatch
Work Experience/Runner - 2009