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Producer and Director of multi award winning (**2 x BAFTA**) shows with 15 years experience making primetime documentary and factual formats, from development through to delivery, for major broadcasters worldwide including BBC, ITV, Channel 4, Discovery, Quest, TLC, MTV.

I've extensive foreign filming experience with top class talent in places as diverse as **Brazil, Colombia, India, Russia, Australia, the Middle East, Asia, and all across Europe and the USA**. I am a confident multi-cam director and self-shooter and have significant expertise in **aerial drone, helicopter and motion capture time-lapse photography**. I have a current US I-Visa (to 2021) and am a **full BAFTA voting member**.

CREDITS – As PRODUCER/DIRECTOR

The Ultimate Shopping List

Maverick for Channel 4 (6 x 24')

Self shot VT segments around the world with new talent exploring the origins of everyday food and drink. USA and Colombia (FS7 with Canon CN7) (2016)

Million Dollar Car Hunters

Waddell Media for BBC Worldwide (10 x 60')

Eight month Ob Doc following the RM Sotheby's team around the world consigning and selling the world's most expensive cars. USA/Canada/Europe (F800/FS5/Ronin/5D) (2016)

World's Largest Ship (wt)

Bigger Bang (TBC)

Shot one segment of epic documentary charting the construction of Shell Prelude, the world's largest floating structure, at Samsung Heavy Industries in South Korea. (C300) (2015)

Engine Addict with Jimmy de Ville

Maverick for Discovery (5 x 44')

Worldwide extreme vehicle builds in India, Brazil, Austria and Poland. Multi-cam crew directing, plus self-shooting. Motion controlled time-lapse, drones and helicopters. Directed 5 of 6 episodes. (FS7/F800) (2014/5)

Weighing Up the Enemy

Maverick for Channel 4 (4 x 46')

Dr. Christian conducts social experiment into weight loss motivations. (C300) (2014)

Turbo Pickers

WAG for Discovery (3 x 44')

Wheeler Dealer-style car makeovers. Multi-cam crew directing, self-shooting and editing 3/6 episodes. (F800/XF305/5D) (2013/14)

Rusted Development (USA) Extreme Car Hoarders (UK)

NERD for Discovery (2 x 44')

Big name US talent, big budget US show - multi-cam directing and self-shooting. Mo-con time-lapse and drone photography. (F800/C300/XF305/5D) (2013)

Operation Ouch! 2

Maverick for CBBC (11 x 27')

BAFTA-winning self-shot (XF305) ob doc & studio with paramedic, air ambulance, hospital and surgical stories. (2013)

My Big Fat American Gypsy Wedding

Firecracker for TLC (Stories for 2 x 60')

Self-shot (F800) ob doc examining the crazy world of Gypsies in Atlanta and Illinois. (2013)

Britain's Secret Shoppers

Optomen for Channel 4 (5 x 60')

Prime-time presenter-led consumer affairs/business makeovers with Justin Preston (2013)

The Batman Shootings

Mentorn for BBC3 (1 x 60')

Denver based self-shot documentary exploring the Aurora cinema massacre and US gun control. (2012)

The Flowerpot Gang

Renegade for BBC1 (2 x 60')

Prime-time large-scale charity garden builds with Anneka Rice, Phil Tufnell and Joe Swift (2012)

Operation Ouch!

BAFTA-winning self-shot (XF305) ob doc with paramedic, air ambulance, hospital and surgical stories.
(2012)

Maverick for CBBC (13 x 27')

Secret Eaters

Richard Hammond's Top Stunts

Bizzare ER

Don't Tell the Bride

Mad About the House

Gutted

Make My Body Younger

Don't Get Done, Get Dom

Good Bid, Good Buy

Spice Girls do Children in Need

Cash in the Attic 11 & 12

Fantasy Homes by the Sea

Beat The Bailiff 2

Pepsi World Challenge

Beat the Bailiff

Remarkable for Channel 4 (6 x 46')

September Films, Pilot for BBC1 (2011)

Maverick for BBC3 (2010)

Renegade for BBC3 (2010)

Renegade for BBC3 (2010)

Twofour for UKTV (2009)

Twofour for BBC3 (2009)

Flame TV for BBC1 (2008)

Leopard Films for ITV (2008)

19 Ent. For BBC1 (2007)

Leopard Films for BBC1 (2007)

Splash Media for UKTV (2006)

Lion TV for BBC1 (2006)

Freedom for Channel 4 (2006)

Lion TV for BBC1 (2005)

As SENIOR PRODUCER

I'm a Celebrity... The Coming Out Show

Xperia Hot Shots

ITV Studios for ITV (2011)

Monkey Kingdom (2011)

As EDIT PRODUCER

Saints and Scroungers

Colin and Justin's Home Heist

Cash in the Attic 15

Flame TV for BBC1 (2009)

Cineflix for HGTV Canada (2008)

Leopard Films for BBC1 (2008)

OTHER CREDITS

DV DIRECTOR

AP/CAMERA

ASSISTANT PRODUCER

ASSISTANT PRODUCER

AP/CAMERA

RESEARCHER/CAMERA

RESEARCHER/CAMERA

LOCATION RUNNER/DV

RESEARCHER/CAMERA

RESEARCHER

Take That - The Ultimate Tour, The Production Company (DVD)

The Ultimate Gambler, Class Films, for Flextech (15 x 26') (2005)

Dirty Sanchez Takeover MTV2, MTV (5 x 90') (2004)

Open Minds, MTV (5 x 44') (2004)

Dirty Sanchez 3 - European Invasion, MTV (8 x 22') (2004)

Dirty Sanchez 2: The Making Of..., MTV (1 x 22') (2003)

Dirty Sanchez 2: Jobs for the Boyos, MTV (7 x 22') (2003)

Model Gardens 2, Reef TV (15 x 26') (2003)

The Rubdown, TWI (52', Live Weekly) (2001/2)

NOW Earth & Space, TWI (26', Live Weekly) (2000)

AWARDS

BAFTA

BAFTA

BROADCAST AWARDS

MEDIA WEEK GOLD

Children's Factual 2014, *Operation Ouch!* for CBBC

Children's Factual 2013, *Operation Ouch!* for CBBC

Best Children's Programme 2015, *Operation Ouch Goes Back in Time*

John Smiths Campaign, MediaVest (2009).

EDUCATION & TRAINING

1st Option - Safe Management of Productions (31/3/15, valid three years)

Degree, 1997 - 2000, Canterbury Christ Church University College

BA Radio, Film & Television and American Studies - 2:1

BBC Health & Safety, BBC Safeguarding Trust

REFERENCES

Rob Clifford - Series Producer - *The Ultimate Shopping List*

Dan Goldsack - Executive Producer - *Engine Addict*

Simon Everson - Series Producer - *Lords of the Car Hoards/Turbo Pickers/Car Hunters*

Lee McMurray - Series Producer - *Bizarre ER & Secret Eaters*