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DOP, CAMERA & STEADICAM OPERATOR

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PROFILE

I am a freelance DOP, camera and Steadicam operator based in Christchurch, New Zealand. Having trained in the UK as a staff cameraman for Yorkshire Television I now have over 12 years freelance experience working with, and for the best in the industry. I am familiar with all video formats through DV to HD and XD to P2. My clients include NHNZ Ltd, Mountain Film Unit, CBS, Columbia Tristar, Gibson Group and South Pacific Pictures.

Specialising in world-class documentaries, my work is broadcast regularly on the Discovery and National Geographic channels. In addition I am an experienced Steadicam and 'A' camera operator whose drama credits include 'The Strip' and the Emmy nominated 'Being Eve'.

I have a passion for adventure, and am experienced in a variety of extreme outdoor sports. These skills enable me to work safely to capture dynamic and beautiful images in the most spectacular of locations.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

BSc (Hons) First Class - Electronic Imaging and Media Communication (1996)
UNIVERSITY OF BRADFORD, WEST YORKSHIRE, UK

SELECTED CREDITS

'I SURVIVED – BEYOND AND BACK' – NHNZ Ltd for A&E TELEVISION NETWORKS

DOP/Operator

6 x 1 hr. Extraordinary accounts of leaving this world, told by those who have died and miraculously returned. Shot in the USA.

'THE BONE ZONE/JURASSIC CSI' – NHNZ Ltd for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

DOP/Operator

6 x 1 hr. How dinosaurs lived, loved and died. Dr Phil Manning brings the prehistoric world to life using 21st century cutting edge technology. USA, UK and China shoots.

'INTREPID JOURNEYS' – JAM TV for TVNZ Ltd

DOP/Operator

Half hour documentary featuring Brendan Cole's Intrepid Journey amongst the deep forests, high seas and remote tribes of Vanuatu.

'ORANGUTAN ISLAND' – NHNZ Ltd for ANIMAL PLANET

DOP/Operator/Field Director

1 x 1 hr special and 12 x half hours, HD. Second series following the rehabilitation of 35 orphaned Orangutans as they journey to adulthood on an island in Indonesian Borneo.

'BURTON OPEN SNOWBOARD CHAMPS' – KINETIC MEDIA for BURTON & C4

Main unit HD operator

3 x half hrs. The World's elite snowboarders risk life and limb for US\$100K.

'ECO-SEAGATE' – MAKING MOVIES Ltd.

Main unit HD operator

Corporate documentary of Seagate's adventure racing and team building in Queenstown.

'CBS EARLY SHOW'S 'ALL ACCESS' TOUR OF NZ' - MOUNTAIN FILM UNIT for CBS

DOP/Operator

CBS weather anchor and feature reporter Dave Price hosts a whistle stop tour of NZ.

'FIORDLAND' and 'KAKADU'– MOUNTAIN FILM UNIT for DISCOVERY HD.

DOP/Operator

2 x 1hr HD documentaries showcasing NZ's Fiordland National Park and Australia's Kakadu National Park.

'42 BELOW WORLD COCKTAIL CHAMPS' - GREAT SOUTHERN TV.

DOP/Operator

Mixology and mayhem in Queenstown. Hosted by USA's Cynthia Garrett.

'KIA KAHA'- TUMANAKO PRODUCTIONS for TVNZ.

DOP/Operator

Documentary about NZ fashion designer Charmaine Love.

'TRUE GRIT' - GIBSON GROUP for TVNZ.

DOP/Operator

Documentary about NZ's adventure racing icon Nathan Fa'avae.

'NZ JOURNEYS' - NHNZ Ltd and NZ MINISTRY for CULTURE and HERITAGE for CCTV China.

DOP/Operator

5 x 1hr. Documentary series showcasing NZ's natural history, people, innovations, film locations and Chinese immigrants.

'MEDICAL INCREDIBLE' – BEYOND INTERNATIONAL for DISCOVERY HEALTH

DOP/Operator

Life saving Cranio-facial surgery on two young children at Wellington Hospital.

'MOST EXTREME'- NATURAL HISTORY NZ Ltd for DISCOVERY

DOP/Operator

17 stories for this Emmy nominated series shown on Animal Planet. Shot in the USA.

'WHAT LIES BENEATH' - NHNZ Ltd for TVNZ.

DOP/Operator

8 x half hours. Documentary series on NZ archaeology fronted by Simon Dallow.

'WICKED WEATHER' - NHNZ Ltd for TVNZ.

DOP/Operator

3 x 1hr. Presenter led documentary series on the highs and lows of NZ weather.

'MONSTER NATION' – ODYSSEY FILMS LTD for DISCOVERY

NZ Producer/Director/DOP

8 x five min segments featuring various 'extreme' activities including the NZ sporting trials car racing champs.

'ROCKET CREW' - WELLINGTON

DOP/Operator – Freelance

Various productions including: Frontseat, Asia Downunder, My house my castle.

'FINN BROTHERS CONCERT' – SATELLITE MEDIA for TVNZ and DVD

Operator

Wellington concert recorded 'as live'.

'POWER TOOL DRAG RACING'- NHNZ Ltd for DISCOVERY.

DOP/Operator

4 x 1 hrs. Documentary series featuring a select group of mechanical artists as they design, build and race the ultimate power tool dragster. Shot in San Francisco, USA.

'THE AMAZING RACE'- NZ- MOUNTAIN FILM UNIT Ltd for CBS.

Climbing camera operator

Specialist rope access coverage of this Emmy award winning show's visit to NZ.

'EXTREME TRIBE' – MOUNTAIN FILM UNIT Ltd for DISCOVERY.

Camera and Steadicam operator

2 x 1hr documentaries featuring 4 of the world's most extreme skiers, wing suiters and base jumpers. Shot in the southern alps of NZ and the Sierra Nevada, USA.

'MUTANTS' - NHNZ Ltd for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC.

DOP/Operator

1 hr documentary investigating animal mutation. Shot in the USA and NZ.

'THE STRIP' (series 2) - GIBSON GROUP for TV3.

Main Unit Steadicam & Camera operator

20 x 45min. Comedy drama series broadcast in NZ and Europe.

ECO CHALLENGE FIJI - COLUMBIA TRISTAR / AXN.

Camera operator

One of two operators chosen by AXN to document the epic journey of 10 international teams as they took part in the 'hardest adventure race in the world'.

'STORM SHOOTER' - NHNZ Ltd for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC.

DOP/Steadicam & Camera operator for NZ segments.

Documentary featuring the exploits of extreme weather cameraman Geoff Mackley.

'LUMIN' – GOOD COMPANY.

DOP/Steadicam & Camera operator

Half hour contemporary dance film directed by and featuring Daniel Belton. NZ and European film festival screenings.

'STUDIO D' - THE DISNEY CHANNEL, AUSTRALIA.

DOP/Operator

Presenter led magazine items featuring various extreme sports, Queenstown.

'CIRCUS' – TOUCHDOWN PRODUCTIONS.

DOP/Steadicam & Camera operator

7 half hour reality/documentary series. Behind the scenes at the Weber Bros Circus.

'WIRELESS' - GOOD COMPANY.

DOP/Steadicam & Camera operator

Contemporary dance film directed by and featuring Daniel Belton. NZ and European film festival screenings.

'AJ HACKETT BUNGY EXPERIENCE' - THIRD EYE FILMS.

35mm Stunt Camera operator

'Jumpcam' operator – POV's, plates and 'air to air' tracking from the Kawarau and Shotover bridges, Queenstown.

'MOUNTAIN RESCUERS' - NHNZ Ltd for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC.

DOP/Operator

One hour documentary following a summer season's search and rescue operations on and around Mt Cook - New Zealand's highest mountain.

'X FORCE – MOUNTAIN BIKING' - NHNZ Ltd for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC.

DOP/Operator

Featured extreme biking through the Bolivian Andes between 4000 and 5500 metres, including riding up 'the world's most dangerous road'.

'X FORCE – MOUNTAINEERING' - NHNZ Ltd for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC.

Climbing Camera operator

Shot rock and mixed alpine climbing sequences in the New Zealand Alps featuring NZ's Guy Cotter.

'BEING EVE' (Series one) – SOUTH PACIFIC PICTURES.

Main unit Steadicam & Camera operator

Emmy nominated drama series. Innovative & stylised look relied upon use of the Steadicam, which played as a 'character'.

'THE SOUTHERN TRAVERSE' – CATCH & RELEASE for DISCOVERY.

White water kayak Camera operator

Adventure racing in the Southern alps of New Zealand.

'PIRATE PATROL'- NHNZ Ltd for DISCOVERY.

DOP/Operator

Documentary on illegal activities in the South China Sea.

'INTERNATIONAL SOS' - NHNZ Ltd for DISCOVERY

Camera operator & Assistant

Singapore based medical insurance company performing emergency evacuations throughout Asia.

'GIANT SQUID' - NHNZ Ltd for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

DOP/Operator/Field director

NGS photographer Emory Kristof's search for the giant squid off the east coast of New Zealand.

'ADVENTURE CENTRAL' - NHNZ Ltd for DISCOVERY'S TRAVEL CHANNEL

Camera operator

13 x half hrs. Extreme sports/reality TV series shot in and around Queenstown, New Zealand.

ADDITIONAL CAREER EXPERIENCE

1996-1998

STAFF CAMERA OPERATOR - YORKSHIRE TELEVISION LTD, LEEDS, UK.

ITV news, documentaries, magazine shows, live OB's, live Steadicam.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Rock climbing/mountaineering (30 yrs exp), paragliding, white water kayaking, snowboarding, skiing, motorcycling, St Johns first aid, training for Private pilots licence.

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