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DOP, CAMERA & STEADICAM OPERATOR

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PROFILE

I am a freelance DOP, camera and Steadicam operator working out of New Zealand and the UK.

Having trained in the UK as a staff cameraman for Yorkshire Television I became freelance in 1998 and am proud to have worked for many international clients, including; Natural History NZ (NHNZ), Pioneer Productions, Windfall Films, Mountain Film Unit, CBS, Sony Tristar, Gibson Group, South Pacific Pictures and Beach House Pictures.

Specialising in documentaries, my work has been regularly broadcast on the Discovery, Animal Planet and National Geographic channels. I am also a Steadicam and 'A' camera operator with TV drama credits including 'The Strip' and the Emmy nominated 'Being Eve'.

I have worked with all current camera formats from Red, Phantom HD Gold, through to DSLR's and GoPros, including a variety of 3D production tools. I own a diverse production tool kit including a super 35mm 4K camera.

A passionate advocate for the protection of our environment; I believe in the power of television and film to raise awareness, promote initiatives and effect change. And as an ex-extreme sports fanatic, I now put my outdoor skills to better use – enabling me to work safely to capture compelling 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

'PARADISE MALAYSIA' – BEACH HOUSE PICTURES for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
DOP/Operator

1 hr travel and wildlife documentary hosted by the UK's Nick Baker. Shot in Malaysian Borneo.

'UFO – UNTOLD STORIES' – PIONEER PRODUCTIONS for NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
DOP/Camera operator - NZ

New Zealand UFO stories – featuring the 'Kaikoura lights' and a North Island fireball.

'BORN IN THE WILD – DOLPHINS' – WINDFALL FILMS for Channel 4, UK
DOP/Camera operator - NZ

Dusky dolphin reproductive behaviour filmed in Kaikoura, New Zealand. Hosted by Joy Reidenberg.

'WORLD OF WEARABLE ART - 3D' – TAYLOR MADE for Theatrical release
3D Camera operator

A 3D film bringing the spectacular 25th World of WearableArt Awards Show to the big screen.

'OUR BIG BLUE BACKYARD' – NHNZ Ltd for TVNZ, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
Phantom and Topside camera operator for Kaikoura Episode

Series exploring six unique marine locations around New Zealand's coastline. The Kaikoura episode reveals the topside challenges, triumphs and slow motion acrobatics of the resident Dusky dolphins and seabirds.

'WILD ABOUT NZ' – NHNZ Ltd for TVNZ

DOP/Operator

6 x 1 hr. An adventurous look at the wildest people and places found in New Zealand's National Parks, hosted by Gus Roxburgh. Featured climbing, caving, canyoning, gliding, skiing, kayaking, mountain biking, surfing and diving.

'OUR BLUE CANOE' – ONFP Ltd for Cinema release

Camera Operator and Pre-shoot Production Assistant

A cinematic feature documentary following the 18-month journey of over 100 Pan-Pacific Islanders, who for the first time ever, sailed a fleet of traditional-style voyaging canoes on a circumnavigation of the Pacific Ocean. Shot in NZ, Fakarava to Nuku Hiva, Hawaii and the Solomon Islands. Directed by Mike Single.

'AMERICA'S NATIONAL PARKS 3D' – NHNZ Ltd for DISCOVERY'S 3NET

DOP/Operator/Field Director

3 x 1 hr. Shot in 3D on location in Yellowstone, Yosemite and Arches National Parks, USA.

'I SURVIVED – BEYOND AND BACK' SEASONS 1 AND 2 – NHNZ Ltd for A&E TELEVISION NETWORKS

DOP/Operator

12 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 hr. 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 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 AND PASSIONS

Rock climbing/mountaineering, paragliding, white water kayaking, piano, solar power generation, snowboarding, skiing, motorcycling, St Johns first aid, training for Private pilots licence.

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