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BIO

Born n' raised in Glasgow, I found my language through my father's recorded-off-the-telly VHS collection. In 2012 I got my start with an IRN BRU commercial, climbing the ladder (figuratively and literally) to better bring life to our film sets through lighting. Supporting a diverse range of DOPs over the years led me to experiment as one myself, with an ambition to work in long-form. I've been lucky enough to shoot films that screened in competition at Miami Independent, Fargo Fantastic, Romford and Glasgow Short Film Festivals. Inspired by the likes of Adam Arkapaw and Bradford Young, I'm drawn to dark stories with unique vision. Aspiring to deliver shots and scenes which elicit strong emotional responses.



photo: Kevin J Thompson

FEATURES

<i>Production</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Director</i>	<i>Role</i>
DREADED LIGHT (2022)	Two Fit Poles	Mark MacNicol	DOP
JEKYLL & HYDE (2023)	Selkie Productions	Hope Dickson Leach	Gaffer
MEET YOU IN SCOTLAND (2022)	Hallmark/Heehaw	David Lumsden	Gaffer
MY OLD SCHOOL (2022)	Hopscotch	Jono Mcleod	Gaffer
IT'S NOT OVER (2022)	Stream Digital	Alessandro Riccardi	Gaffer
THE SMALL HAND (2019)	Two Rivers Media	Justin Molotnikov	Gaffer
LIMBO (2020)	Limbo Productions	Ben Sharrock	Best Boy
MALEVOLENT (2018)	HUSH Films	Olaf De Fleur	Best Boy
STARFISH (2017)	Starfish Productions	Bill Clark	Best Boy

TV/DRAMA

<i>Production</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Director</i>	<i>Role</i>
LAGGING S3 (2023)	BBC Children's	Kirsty Hines-McKay	DOP*
TWO FOR ONE (2021)	Comedy Unit	Noddy Davidson	DOP
SCOT SQUAD (2017 - 2022)	Comedy Unit	Noddy Davidson	Gaffer
ONLY AN EXCUSE (2018 - 2020)	Comedy Unit	Noddy Davidson	Gaffer
STATE OF IT (2019)	Comedy Unit	Noddy Davidson	Gaffer
KATIE MORAG (2013)	Struay Pictures	Don Coutts	Gaffer
CRIME (2021)	Buccaneer	James Strong	Best Boy
FRIED (2015)	Two Brothers	Luke Snellin	Best Boy

*2nd unit & main unit dailies

SHORT

<i>Production</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Director</i>	<i>Role</i>
SUBURBAN HOUSEWIFE (2018)	Independent	Sean McDonald	Director
HOTHEAD (2023)	Formed	Tobacco Jaguar	DOP
AWITP (2023)	Independent	Jessica Hof	DOP
TIPPY TOES (2023)	Independent	Louis Paxton	DOP
BURDS (2023)	Kick the Door	Fraser Scott	DOP
SLOANSY (2023)	PD Creative	Cameron Bissett	DOP
FINDHORN 31.08.18 (2022)	Independent	Jessica Hof	DOP
FART CAR (2021)	Kick the Door	Fraser Scott	DOP
12th MAN (2020)	Independent	Caitlin Black	DOP
SOLAS (2019)	Independent	Lana Pheutan	DOP
DINOSAUR (2021)	Two Brothers	Jonathan Schey	Gaffer
DUCK (2023)	Forest of Black	Rachel Maclean	Gaffer
THE SHIFT (2020)	MTP	Laura Carreira	Gaffer
JEALOUS ALAN (2019)	MTP	Martin Clark	Gaffer

COMMERCIAL/PROMO

<i>Production</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Director</i>	<i>Role</i>
KUTE Take it Off (2023)	Oddness	Alistair Fletcher	DOP
MEELO Patience (2023)	Node TV	Katie Scott	DOP
EIF 'Edinburgh is a Story' (2022)	Forest of Black	Oscar Sansom	DOP
ABERLOUR Poverty Relief (2022)	STV Creative	Neil Gilmartin	DOP
GENTLE SINNERS Landfill (2022)	Forest of Black	Keiran Howe	DOP
McTEARS AUCTIONEERS (2022)	STV Creative	Neil Gilmartin	DOP
CHALLENGE POV WEEK (2022)	Poverty Alliance	Hannah Currie	DOP
SMART ENERGY A Little Bit (2021)	STV Creative	Neil Gilmartin	DOP
EXILES - Victoria McNulty (2020)	Some Buzz	David Hayman Jr	DOP
SCOTGOV Winter Vaccine (2022)	Forest of Black	Ainsley Bowman	Gaffer
WRA Respect (2022)	Heehaw	Michael Welsh	Gaffer
POLICE SCO That Guy 2 (2022)	Forest of Black	Michael Sherrington	Gaffer

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