

MATT RICHARDS

Multi-skilled television Producer/Director



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Statement

Highly motivated and multi-skilled producer and director, with extensive experience across current affairs, factual entertainment, documentary and news programming. Excellent self-shooter and editor.

Experience

Sep 2015 - ongoing

BBC INSIDE OUT

Producer

Delivering high quality current affairs films including features from overseas on the Syrian refugee crisis.

July 2015 – Sep 2015

BBC THE PEOPLE REMEMBER

Producer/Director

Producing several ambitious and glossy films as a self-shooting director, including arranging for a 92 year old female pilot to fly a Tiger Moth, and getting a 94 year old Lancaster veteran back in a restored Lancaster.

May 2015 – July 2015

BBC THE ONE SHOW

Producer

Shooting producer/director making high quality factual and current affairs films for The One Show. Stories included fast-turnaround foreign assignments, consumer campaigns and drone aerial filming.

March 2015 – May 2015

BBC FACTUAL

Development Producer

Working with development teams in Bristol and Cardiff.

Jan 2015 – March 2015

BBC BREAK-IN BRITAIN: THE CRACKDOWN

Producer/Director

Shooting director, leading a filming team and working with the police to examine the effects of burglary.

Feb 2014 – Dec 2014

BBC HELICOPTER HEROES DOWN UNDER

Producer

Leading a team of PDs, APs and researchers, filming the second series of this ambitious programme, profiling the work of British medics working across Australia. Included coordinating filming in remote areas, safety management and access negotiations. Developed new ways to enhance the look and content of the programme. Worked in Sydney for 9 months.

Summer 2013

BBC CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY RESCUE

Camera Director

This RTS award-winning programme was an intense project following the work of a specialist paediatric ambulance service in Yorkshire. Involved filming in sensitive situations in hospitals and on international retrievals.

2009 – 2014

BBC HELICOPTER HEROES

Assistant Producer

Working as cameraman/producer/director and editor on seven series of the programme, following the work of an air ambulance. Also filmed and produced features for **COUNTRYFILE**, **INSIDE OUT** and **COUNTRYSIDE 999**.

October 2012	BBC KEEPING BRITAIN ALIVE <i>Producer Director</i> Filmed and produced specialist air ambulance sequences for this ambitious series profiling the work of the NHS in a single day.
2012 – 2013	BBC HELICOPTER HEROES DOWN UNDER <i>Assistant Producer</i> An ambitious ten-part series following the work of British medics working in Australia. Included remote working, producing and safety management.
2002 – 2009	BBC LOOK NORTH <i>News Reporter / Video Journalist</i> Working as an on-screen reporter, cameraman and editor on one of the BBC's most successful regional news programmes. Became a trainer and mentor for other staff. Took the lead at many national VJ conferences.
2005 - 2006	BBC INSIDE OUT <i>Producer</i> Self-shooting and editing several films overseas in demanding locations, including the Sahara desert and remote Sri Lankan forests.
2001- 2002	BBC YORKSHIRE <i>Broadcast Journalist</i>

Education

1998 - 2001	UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS <i>First-class honours degree in Broadcast Journalism</i>
1996 - 1998	THE SHEFFIELD COLLEGE <i>A Levels in Maths, Geography and Media Studies</i> Maths (B), Geography (B), Media Studies (B)
1996 - 1998	MEADOWHEAD SCHOOL, SHEFFIELD <i>10 GCSEs</i> <i>Maths (A), English Language (A), English Literature (A), Dual Award Science (A* A*), Geography (A), IT (A), Media Studies (A), Drama (A*), German (C).</i>

Skills

HD camera and edit skills. Highly experienced self-shooter working on Canon C300 & XF305, Sony PMW-500, PMW-300 and other HD / 4K cameras. Experience with mini camera rigs, drones and complex air-air filming. Thorough knowledge of Final Cut Pro and similar edit systems.

Helicopter crew training. Qualified HEMS crewmember after completing assessment in navigation, crew resource management, advanced first aid and underwater escape. Flown on 1000+ medical missions worldwide.

Management. Excellent leadership and communication skills. Completed BBC training in team management, with on the job experience.

Hostile environments training. Qualification renewed September 2015.

Outdoor Instructor. Qualified and experienced outdoor pursuits instructor in rock climbing, mountain walking and orienteering. Trainer and assessor for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. Powerboat and diving qualifications.

Full UK driving licence including minibuses and light goods vehicles.

Event and risk management. Volunteer event director and chairman of the Apex Challenge adventure charity, providing outdoor adventure competitions for around 800 teenagers each year.