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About me:

Let's create great Television! The only way to stand out is to produce high-quality content with beautiful images. My philosophy is "content first", but the visual aesthetic of storytelling is also vital.

I have travelled the world creating mostly entertainment reality television shows. My recent credits include Masterchef Germany & Good Luck Guys for Banijay Germany. I've series story produced 'Survivor South Africa', and series directed several competition formats like the 'Great Bake-Off', 'Come Dine With Me' and "First Dates" for BBC Studios South Africa.

I'm an agile PD and wiz in edit. I can self-shoot but prefer to work with a DOP. That way I can focus on story. I travel well, have good hygiene, and love to wake up at 5am to get the sunrise shot! I also enjoy good food and a glass of wine.

I've got a UK and South African passport, have residency rights for the EU. I don't clock watch and work until the job is done. Consider me available. Let's do coffee.

My Credit Roll / Latest Projects

Yes We Camp S6 & 7 [Banijay Germany / Kabeleins]

PD / Story Producer [April 2024– September 2025]

- We follow a diverse mix of experienced, and newbie campers, across Germany and the Continent in their camper vans. From the North Sea to the hills of Bavaria, and even a nudist retreat in between, our motto is, "we don't laugh at you, we laugh with you!"

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLEKdRiXtO3V4XsV8L-GiA0Qgcy09Yn-yh>

Masterchef Germany S4 [Brainpool / Banijay / Sport 1)

PD / Story Producer [January 2025 – March 2025]

- This newest season was filmed in Istanbul, Turkey (TV8 / Acun Medya Studios)

We produced 41 "daily" 2-hour episodes in 36 days.

<https://www.youtube.com/@MasterChefGermany>

Good Luck Guys S2 [Good Times Productions / Banijay / Joyn]

Location / Story Director [Thailand: March 2024]

- A Banijay stripped-daily reality format pairing celebs against each other against a tropical backdrop. It's survivor meets "date my Ex".

Mein Lokal Dein Lokal S18 [Good Times Productions / Banijay / Kabeleins]

PD / Location Director [Köln: September 2023 – February 2024]

- Employed as an episode shooting director / PD on Good Times Productions flagship show Mein Lokal, Dein Lokal. 5 days, 5 restaurants, 3 camera crews, ALL in German!

The Amazing Race USA [First Frame / World Race Productions / CBS]

Location Manager [Köln - Juni 2023]

- I worked as a “Pit-Stop” Location Manager during the filming of this latest season for World Race Productions & First Frame Munich.

Love at First Lie [Lime Pictures / Viacom MTV Networks]

Gallery Director [September 2021]

- Fixed rig camera director for this 12-day dating reality show. Filmed on location in Malta.

<https://www.mtv.com/shows/love-at-first-lie>

Come Dine With Me South Africa Seasons 2 to 6 [BBC Studios / Rapid Blue]

Series Director & Location/Edit Director [April 2012 to April 2021]

- I PD'ed and series directed 5 back-to-back seasons of this award winning format. From casting to directing, through to editing and writing of Dave Lamb's scripts, I took ownership of my episodes throughout the production pipe.

www.bbcsouthafrica.com

Survivor South Africa Season 8 [Afrikaans / MNET]

Location Series Producer / Head of Content [October 2020 to December 2020]

- Manage a team of 7-field directors to tell the stories and reality beats of this 39-day reality game show format. Filmed on location on the Wild Coast of South Africa.

<https://m-net.dstv.com/show/survivor-south-africa/survivor-sa-season-8-faq-s/news>

The Bachelorette South Africa Season 1 [Rapid Blue / MNET]

Lead Casting Director [August 2020]

<https://m-net.dstv.com/show/the-bachelorette-south-africa>

First Dates South Africa Season 1 [BBC Studios / Rapid Blue / Warner Brothers]

Series Director / Title Sequence Editor [April 2019 – October 2019]

- Taking the blind out of dating! Series direct the first season of this award-winning format for the South African BBC Lifestyle market.

www.bbcsouthafrica.com

Ayn Al Shaheen Films [Based in Doha, Qatar: Nov 2012 – Dec 2019]

- **Freelance fly-in director** for the past 8-years. I directed various reality shows, as well as developed and field directed a large scale 5-year construction documentary about the redevelopment of Doha's Downtown.

www.asfqatar.com

I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here Australia Season 3 [ITV Studios Australia / Triosphere]

Post Producer [Jan 2017 – March 2017]

- Filmed in Hoedspruit, South Africa. I was hired by the Aussies to make magic in post. 6 weeks, 32 episodes, 24-hour turn around time between episodes, 14 Avids!

The Great South African Bake Off [BBC Worldwide/ Rapid Blue]

HOD Content / Location Technical Director [July 2015 – September 2015]

- The reality show you will like yourself for watching! Responsible for the technical and editorial execution of South Africa's debut season. 10 x 48 minute episodes for BBC Lifestyle South Africa.

South African Pop Idols seasons 7 – 12 [Fremantle / SIC]

Story Producer / location director [2011 - 2016]

- I produced and directed the back stories for the audition phase of this worldwide phenomenon for 6 back-to-back seasons.

<http://idolssa.dstv.com/>

Dragons' Den South Africa (aka. Shark Tank) [Sony / Rapid Blue]

HOD Content / Edit-Post Director [July 2014 – September 2014]

- Manage all creative and editorial elements of this ground-breaking entrepreneurship television show from art direction & studio planning to technical execution and post production.

<http://mzansimagic.dstv.com/category/shows/dragons-den-sa/>

Battleground Rhinowars [Animal Planet / Aquavision / Fox USA]

Director [June 2012]

- Co-direct this 3 part 'pilot' series of this wildlife reality show shot on location in Hoedspruit and the Kruger National Park. TX: Discovery / Animal Planet / 7 March 2013

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0CVa5uYF7Uk&list=PLI2ly8h_bVfFJBZOLTA0_Qa-GXhMzAgcv&index=1

MTV Africa Music Awards "Road to the Mamas" [Lucky Bean Productions]

Producer / Director [Nov 2008 – Dec 2008]

- A 12 day, 5 country pan-African behind the scenes documentary about the first ever MTV Africa Music Awards. * **SAFTA Golden Horn Award for Best Editor 2010**

MTV TRL South Africa [MTV Africa / Lucky Bean Productions]

Director [April 2008 – April 2009]

- We filmed the live TOP 40 Radio Show, and made it into a TV show!

The Apprentice SA [Fremantle / Grey White Productions]

Content Director / Task Producer [April 2005 – June 2005]

- Follow daily storylines. Conceptualise and produce weekly business tasks.

Big Brother SA & Africa - S1 & 2 [Endemol / MNET]

Gallery Technical Director (2001/2002/2007) & Live Show PS [2007]

Gallery Story Producer [2003]

- 37 camera's, live 24/7. 12 housemates, 109 days!

References:

Torsten Lang – EP Yes We Camp (Banijay / Good-Times)

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