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I am a freelance television camera operator with over 30 years' experience, formerly staff at BBC Television Centre in London and now working through my own company, Smug Sheep Media. I specialise in multi-camera, studio pedestal operation and I have worked across the full range of programme genres, including many high profile and live studio audience shows and News Operations. I also have extensive experience of Outside Broadcast work.

## **Summary of experience and key skills:**

- **multi-camera studio work** – camera shot discussions/negotiations with the studio director, other crew, and cast/artistes to achieve the optimum result for the production
- **pedestal camera operation** – adept at developing on shot moves, matching shots, creating dramatic perspectives, carrying out fast paced work, and timing shots to bar counts for music numbers
- **virtual reality studio work**- fitting live action (Jeremy Vine) into AR / CGI sets for General Election coverage and Sport shows (Fanzone / Wimbledon Studio)
- **live shows, with an audience** – calm under pressure; public liaison
- **outside broadcast work** – slow motion cameras; remote camera operation; cameras on scaffold towers; public liaison
- **camera supervisory experience** – planning shots with the director; decision making; diplomacy; crew organisation; health and safety; knowledge of working conditions
- **camera crane work** – swinging, tracking and racking Technocranes, CameraMate cranes, Nike, Mole and, Heron cranes
- **Radamec robotic camera system** – some experience
- **training** – have trained camera assistants and work experience candidates

	<i>Date</i>	<i>Director</i>	<i>Production</i>
<b><u>Camera Supervisor Credits</u></b>			
Hard Talk	2018	Various	BBC News Productions
Production Manager Conference	2012	Duncan Hess	BBC (in house)
Match Of The Day	2009-2011	Phil Bigwood	BBC Sport
Match Of The Day 2	2009-2011	Phil Sibson	BBC Sport
Football Focus	2009-2011	Ian Finch	BBC Sport
Eggheads	2009	Suzanne Pearce	12 Yard
Xchange	2008	Helen Scott	BBC Childrens
Late Edition Live	2008	Sue Robinson	BBC Entertainment
Midweek Lottery	2006	John L Spencer	BBC Entertainment
Dead Ringers	2005	Pati Marr	BBC Entertainment

## **Studio Sport**

Premier League Today	2018	Graeme Spink	IMG/PLP
PLP Sports News	2018	Dan Rogers	IMG/PLP
Fanzone	2018	Helen Campbell	IMG/PLP
Kick Off	2018	Claire Michel	IMG/PLP
Soccer Saturday	2012-2018	various	Sky
Spanish Football	2011-2018	various	Sky
Goals On Sunday	2012-2018	various	Sky
Sunday Supplement	2012-2018	various	Sky

### **Outside Broadcasts**

Wimbledon	2017	various	Nep Visions
Rio Olympics – Tennis	2016	Various	BBC/OBS
PGA EuroPro Golf	2014	Hannah Sanger-Gowers	Matchroom Sport
Wimbledon	2014	various	Nep Visions
Wimbledon	2013	various	SIS
Championship Boxing	2013	various	Televideo
At The Races, Ascot	2013	various	SIS
British Superbikes	2013	Richard Coventry	Televideo
Olympic Tennis at Wimbledon	2012	Guy Tassell	SIS/OBS
Wimbledon	1998-2008	various	BBC Sport
Olympic Torch Relay Concert	2004	Richard Valentine	BBC Events
Olivier Awards	2003	Richard Valentine	BBC Events
Royal Ascot	2000-2001	Malcolm Kemp	BBC Sport
Service of Remembrance	2000	David Picthall	BBC Events
Golf - Open Championship	2000	Alastair Scott	BBC Sport
Golf - Cisco World Matchplay	2000	Barbara Slater	BBC Sport
BBC Proms - Youth Day	2000	Humphrey Burton	BBC Events
Gold - Volvo PGA Championship	1999	Alastair Scott	BBC Sport
Rugby Union	1999	Ken Burton	BBC Sport
Eurovision Song Contest	1998	Geoff Posner	BBC Events

### **News and Factual**

BBC News Channel	2018	various	BBC News Productions
BBC News - The Papers	2018	various	BBC News Productions
Victoria Derbyshire Show	2018	various	BBC News Productions
Newsnight	2018	various	BBC News Productions
The Pledge	2017	James Hagger	Sky
General Election 2017	2017	Chris Cook	BBC Studioworks
Hard Talk	2017	various	BBC News Productions
Euro Referendum	2016	Chris Cook	BBC Studioworks
General Election 2015	2015	Chris Cook	BBC News
Vote 2014 & Euro Elections	2014	Chris Cook	BBC News
Channel 5 News	2011	various	Channel 5
General Election 2010	2010	Claire Bellis	BBC News
Crimewatch Roadshow	2010	James Morgan	BBC Factual
General Election 2005	2005	Rob Hopkin	BBC News
Question Time	2001	David Coleman	Mentorn
Watchdog	2001	Peter Morpurgo	BBC Factual

### **Drama**

Eastenders <i>including BAFTA winning episode 'Billie's Death' (2010)</i>	1987-2017	Clive Arnold/various	BBC Studios & PP
River City	2015	Stuart Davids	BBC Scotland
Eastenders 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Live	2015	Karl Neilson	BBC Studios & PP
Live Eastenders ( <i>Olympic Torch Relay Episode</i> )	2012	Clive Arnold	BBC Studios & PP

### **Game Shows**

Pointless	2009-2018	Various	Endemol
Breakaway	2011	Richard Valentine	Gogglebox Entertainment
A Question of Sport	2000-2011	Derek Hallworth	BBC Entertainment
Odd One In	2010	Steve Smith	Zeppotron
Eggheads	2006-2009	Suzanne Pearce	12 Yard

The Peoples Quiz	2007	Richard Valentine	Splash Media
In It to Win It	2007	Geraldine Dowd	12 Yard
Golden Balls	2007	Julian Smith	Initial
The National Lottery Jet Set	2001-2006	John L Spencer	BBC Entertainment
Never Mind the Buzzcocks	2002-2005	Paul Wheeler	Talkback Thames

### **Entertainment and Comedy**

Britain's Best Dish, The Chefs Show & Tell	2011	Tim Van Someren	ITV
Loose Women	2011	Chris Howe	Avalon
Lorraine	2011-2012	Jo Johns	ITV
OK! TV	2011-2012	Ralph Spark	ITV
The Alan Titchmarsh Show	2011	various	Channel 5
The Michael Ball Show	2009-2010	John L Spencer	Spun Gold TV
The College of Comedy	2010	Sue McMahon	Spun Gold TV
Miranda	2010	Ben Fuller	BBC Entertainment
As Seen On TV	2009	Juliet May	BBC Entertainment
I've Never Seen Star Wars	2009	Stuart McDonald	Shine
Last Choir Standing	2009	Pati Marr	BBC Entertainment
Armstrong and Miller	2008	Julian Smith	BBC Entertainment
Dead Ringers	2008	Dominic Brigstock	Hat Trick Productions
Late Edition Live	2003-2007	Pati Marr	BBC Entertainment
Mock the Week	2006-2008	Pati Marr	BBC Entertainment
The Paul O'Grady Show	2007	Geraldine Dowd	Angst
Baddiel and Skinner Unplanned	2006-2007	John L Spencer	Olga TV
The Two Ronnies Sketchbook	2005	John F D Northover	Avalon
Parkinson	2004	Stuart McDonald	BBC Entertainment
As Time Goes By	2003	Stuart McDonald	BBC Entertainment
Jim Davidson's Generation Game	2002	Sidney Lotterby	BBC Entertainment
Absolutely Fabulous	1996-2001	various	BBC Entertainment
Top of the Pops	2001	Bob Spiers	BBC Entertainment
	1987-2003	Chris Cowey	BBC Entertainment

### **Childrens**

Blue Peter	1987-2010	James Morgan	BBC Childrens
Xchange	2007	various	BBC Childrens
Live and Kicking	1997-2000	Angela Sharp	BBC Childrens
CBBC / CBeebies presentation	1998-2010	various	BBC Childrens

### **Award Ceremonies/Corporate**

RTS Journalist Awards	2017		Creative Technology
Coller Capital Conference	2016		Creative Technology
Anti – Corruption Summit	2016		Creative Technology
RTS Programme Awards	2016		Creative Technology
RTS Journalist Awards	2016		Creative Technology

### **Courses and Secondments**

High Definition; IT Skills booster; Working at height; Lifting and manual handling; Health and safety; First Aid; BBC Studio Resources Manager attachment; BBC Camera Organiser/Scheduler attachment.

### **Education**

NVQ Camera Operation Level 3  
BSc (Hons) Photographic Science

### **Other**

Full UK Driving Licence