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ANIMATOR SCULPTOR FILMMAKER

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Film and Animation Work

Oct-Present-Aardman, Animator on Wallace & Gromit
Apr-Jun 23-Aardman, Animator on Very Small Creatures 2
June 22-April 23-Aardman, Animator on Chicken Run 2
April 21-April 22-Kiri & Lou Ltd, Animator on Kiri & Lou
Feb 21- Blink Ink, Animator on Doordash advert
Nov 20- Jan 21- Aardman, Animator on Robin Robin
Jul 20-Jan 21- Artist, Wales Millenium Centre
Jul-Aug 20- Nexus, Puppetmaking on Chipotle advert
Jun-Aug 20-Blink Ink, Puppets & Animation on Love Death & Robots Episode "All Through the House"
May 20-Present- Ffilm Cymru Wales, Writer & Director
Jan-Feb 20 -Blink Ink, Puppetmaking for 'Trolli' advert
Sep -Nov 19- Aardman,Animator on 'Shaun the Sheep S6'
Jun-Jul 19- Blink Ink, Puppetmaking for 'Purplebricks'
Apr-Jun 19- Jilin Animation institute, China, Animation Foreign Expert & Puppetmaker
Feb - Mar 19-Blink Ink, Puppets & Animation for 'Trolli'
April - Nov 18- Animortal Studio, Production Assistant & Feature Development. Animator on E4 sting
March-Jun 18 & 19- *Encounters Festival* Preselection
Sep 17-April 18-Cardiff Animation Festival. Preselection & guest liaison
Nov 17 (3wks)- IOD productions, Assistant Animator on "Isle of Dogs"
July-Oct 17 - Aardman, Junior Animator on "Early Man"
Jan 15-July 17 - Trampires Ltd, Runner, Junior Animator, Assistant Animator & Animator on "Chuck Steel: Night of the Trampires"
Jul 16 (Weekend)- Yaminations, Animator
Jan 15 (Weekend)- A+C studios, Animator for 'Brickbowl'
Dec 14 (3 wks)- Aardman, Puppets & animation- "*Jasia*".
June 14 (2 wks) - Rastamouse S3, work experience
March 14 (3 wks) - Aardman, work experience as animation assistant for "Shaun the Sheep Movie"
Oct 13 (1wk) - Aardman. Art dept work exp for "Swatch"
Nov 2010 - April 20 12 - Anytime Films. 11 various dates as production assistant, boom sound recordist.
May-June 11 - Hay Festival. 11 days as live studio camera operator.

May-June 10 - Sky Arts. Liberty Bell productions production runner on "The Book show at Hay"
Feb 09 - Taglia telly. Indus Productions for BBC Wales, on location contributor and animator "From Wales to Timbuktu"-2x30-minute documentaries for BBC 2
Teaching, Guest Lecturing & Workshops

May 23 - UWE Bristol, Masterclass & portfolio reviews
Feb 23 - BFI Animation Camp masterclass for 16-18yr olds
Mar 21- Norwich Uni of the Arts, guest speaker
Feb 21 - BFI animation camp online puppetmaking talk
Aug 20 - Cardiff Animation Fest, online workshop
April 20-Present - Teaching on Skillshare & Udemy
Jan 20 - UWE Bristol -Panel speaker & 121 student feedback for BA & MA students
Feb 19 - Panel speaker, BFI academy industry day
Dec 18 - Introducing the British animation and Aardman screenings at Tbilisi International Film Fest
Nov 18 - Hong Kong Animation Atlas, talk
Oct 18 - Bring Your Own Animation, talk
Jun 18 - Into Film, animation workshops in two Swansea Primary Schools & the National Eisteddfod
Oct 2017 & 2018- NFTS & Aardman, Guest lecturing to 3 month certificate in character animation students
Dec 16 - Merthyr College, Guest lecturer
Feb 16 - UWE Bristol, Guest lecturer
July 14 - Calling the Shots. Channel 4 Talent Day teaching stop-motion to young people.
Feb 14 - Calling the Shots. BFI Animation residential camp. Teaching on week long workshop

Volunteering

- Oasis. Helping refugees in Cardiff
- RE:ACT. Humanitarian disaster responder
- VSO ICS. Volunteering in India Jan-March 2018
- Cardiff Animation Nights. Organizing animation screenings, workshops and events
- 3D Crowd UK- Cardiff PPE Coordinator during Covid-19

Skills

- Fluent in English & Welsh
- Enhanced DBS checked

Education

University of the West of England 11-14

-Studying BA (Hons) Animation

Hong Kong Baptist University Jan - May 13

-Studying Visual Arts on an exchange program

Training & Short Courses

Creative Media Skills at Pinewood - Feb 19

-1 Week Prop Making Essentials training

National Film & Television School -Nov 18

-1 Week Scriptwriting for Film & Television

National Film & Television School Sep -Dec 14

-3 month Certificate in Character Animation at Aardman