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Personal Profile

I am an award winning filmmaker and graduate of Film Production from The University of Winchester. I am eager and committed to continue my learning and development to help ensure I am able to enter the Film & Television industry with confidence. While listed above as an AD, I look forward to gaining a further understanding of all the different facets of a production and the different processes behind both scripted and unscripted projects across multiple departments. I have showcased my work at various film festivals and student-led events. I am incredibly passionate about all of my work and the collaborators I've had the privilege of working alongside thus far. I am able to work well independently and within a team environment in order to complete any necessary tasks and meet set deadlines. I'm passionate about creativity and storytelling and ambitious in my goal for a prosperous career in the industry. I have a drive to excel and continuously evolve my capabilities, striving for filmmaking excellence. I'm extremely passionate about the arts in Wales and hope to one day make my own lasting contribution to the movement.



Industry Experience - Unpaid

- Newport Mind - Producer / Technician / Editor - Wellbeing Ambassador Podcast Sep 2022 - Present
- University of Winchester - Camera Operator - Live student music performance 2024
- Misfits Network PTY LTD - Assistant Producer / Editor / Social Media Content Creator Feb 2023 - May 2023
- UoW - Producer / Camera Operator - Two day partnership project with Performing Arts students 2023



Non-Industry Experience

- Newport Mind - Wellbeing Ambassador & Peer Support Mentor (Unpaid Volunteer) Oct 2019 - Present
- Government HR Shared Service Centre - Process Assistant Aug 2020 - Dec 2020
- The Crown Inn - Bar Assistant May 2019 - Sep 2019



Short Films - Unpaid

- '**Children of the Valley**' - Writer / Director / Executive Producer (**Coming-of-age, Drama**) 2024
- '**Peace of Mind**' - Producer (**Documentary**) 2024
- '**Before I Die**' - Writer / Director / Producer (**Collaborative Epistolary Film**) 2024
- '**One Last Dance**' - Assistant Producer (**Drama**) 2024
- '**Cost of Closure**' - Second Assistant Director (**Drama**) 2024
- '**Over**' - Second Assistant Director (**Romance, Drama**) 2024
- '**Where Did We Park?**' - Writer / Director / Producer (**Comedy, Drama**) 2023
- '**The Voice of Football**' - Producer (**Portrait Documentary starring Martin Tyler**) 2022

Skills

- Attention to detail
- Teamwork & Collaboration
- Resilience, Adaptability & Problem Solving
- Meeting set goals & deadlines to a brief
- Communication & Networking
- Leadership & Taking Initiative under pressure
- Knowledge of media production and communication
- Casting & Directing actors
- Proficient in Word, Excel & Outlook
- Advanced knowledge in the use of digital camera equipment such as: Black Magic URSA Mini Pro, Sony FS5, Canon C100, Sony A6400
- Advanced knowledge in the use of sound recording equipment such as: RØDE Caster Pro, RØDE PodMic, Sennheiser EW100 Wireless Mic, Sennheiser MKH416, MixPre-6
- Advanced knowledge in the use of editing software such as: Adobe CC Premiere Pro, Audition, After Effects, Lightroom
- Experienced in Mental Health First Aid



Education

- The University of Winchester - Bachelor Of Arts With Honours in Film Production with **1st Class Honours** 2021 - 2024
- Coleg Gwent Crosskeys Campus - A-levels (BCC) 2018 - 2021
- Newbridge Comprehensive School - 11 A* - C's GCSE 2013 - 2018



Awards, Nominations & Qualifications

- International Film Festival Manhattan - Official selection for '**Children of the Valley**' Oct 2024
- The Graddies Film Festival - Nominated for 'Best Film' for '**Children of the Valley**' Oct 2024
- Albert - Applied Skills for a Sustainable Media Industry module Jul 2024
- Making Waves Short Film Competition - Future BAFTA Winners Audience Award for comedy short '**Where Did We Park?**' Mar 2023

