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AWARDS

2021 Finalist, New York Festival TV and Film Awards – *Unearthed*, Discovery Science

2014 Winner Grierson Award – *The Iraq War: Regime Change*, BBC2

2004 BAFTA nominated – *MacIntyre's Millions*, Channel 5

1999 Winner Golden Gate Silver Spire and nominated for RTS Best Documentary Series – *The Fifty Years War: Israel and the Arabs*, BBC2

1994 Winner BMA Best Medical Programme – *Hypotheticals: Kill or Cure*, BBC2

SERIES PRODUCER (selected credits)

Ancient Arabia

Uncovering, for the first time, the secrets of Saudi Arabia's astonishing archaeological sites and treasures.

Eighteen x 60 minutes

OR Media (broadcasters TBC)

TX: mid-2026 (TBC)

Unearthed

CGI-based series that investigates new evidence revealing the myths and mysteries behind ancient civilisations and the iconic megastructures they built.

Ten x sixty minutes

Windfall Films for Discovery Science

TX: early 2020

Driving Wild

Former Formula 1 mechanic Marc 'Elvis' Priestley immerses himself in six extraordinary motorsport cultures around the world, combining his F1 know-how with grassroots mechanics to face high-octane driving challenges.

Six x sixty minutes

Dragonfly for Discovery Networks International

TX: March 2016

Mubarak's Egypt: The Struggle for Succession

Two films on how the US government pushed Hosni Mubarak to reform Egypt – and as revolution erupted, helped kick him out of power.

Two x sixty minutes

OR Media for al-Arabiya and BBC World

TX: June 2014

Ultimate Cops

Ob doc series following the toughest cops in Europe – the elite crime-busting units of the Polish, Romanian and Russian police forces.

Six x sixty minutes

Atom Productions for Discovery CEEMEA

TX: Autumn 2012

Murder in Beirut

Three shows on the killing of Lebanese leader Rafik Hariri – a murder that led to the establishment of a UN Tribunal in The Hague.

Three x sixty minutes

OR Media for BBC World and others

TX: mid-2010

Ways to Save the Planet (series science producer)

How geo-engineering can help beat global warming.

Nine x sixty minutes

Impossible Pictures for Discovery US

TX: August 2008

Born Survivor: Bear Grylls

Action man Bear has to survive and escape from some of the harshest environments in the world.

Eight/Thirteen x sixty minutes

Diverse Bristol for Channel 4 and Discovery US

TX: March 2007

Inside the Mafia

The blood-curdling history of the Mafia in Sicily and the United States.

Four x sixty minutes

Wall to Wall for Channel Five and Nat Geo

TX: July 2005

MacIntyre's Millions

Undercover reporter Donal MacIntyre poses as a gangster to infiltrate three international criminal gangs.

Three x sixty minutes

Shine for Channel Five

TX: December 2003

PRODUCER DIRECTOR (selected credits)

Mandate to Murder

In 1947 a sixteen-year-old Jewish boy was kidnapped from the streets of Jerusalem by British undercover police and never seen again. The subsequent cover-up fatally undermined British rule in Palestine.

One x sixty minutes

Towton Productions for PBS and Kan 11 (Israel) TX: October 2024

Unearthed: Lost World of the Desert Kings

Cutting edge CGI and on-site investigations reveal a desert city in Iraq that was once the capital of Islam's greatest empire.

One x sixty minutes

Windfall Films for Discovery Science TX: July 2021

Drain the Oceans: Gold Rush

Dozens of nineteenth-century ships lie buried under the streets of San Francisco and lakes of Yukon Territory, Canada. Their secrets tell the story of the California and Klondike gold rushes.

One x sixty minutes

Mallinson Sadler for Nat Geo, Channel Five and Shaw TX: July 2019

Chris Hansen's Killer Instinct

Two programmes in a six-part series looking at murders that shocked America, presented by veteran US reporter Chris Hansen.

Two x sixty minutes

ITN Productions for Investigation Discovery TX: September 2015

The Iraq War: Regime Change

Programme one in a three-part series marking the tenth anniversary of the Iraq War, including interviews with Dick Cheney, Colin Powell and Tony Blair, plus five members of Saddam Hussein's inner circle.

One x sixty minutes

Brook Lapping Productions for BBC2 and Nat Geo TX: May 2013

Iran's Rebel Voices

The birth of Iran's reform movement and its brutal suppression during the summer of 2009.

One x sixty minutes

OR Media for al-Arabiya TX: December 2010

Secret History: The War That Made the Nazis

How Germany's experience of the First World War led to the rise of Hitler.

One x sixty minutes

RDF for Channel 4 TX: December 2002

Secrets of the Dead: Sounds from the Stone Age

How Stone Age people designed monuments like Stonehenge with sound in mind.

One x sixty minutes

Third Eye Media for Channel 4

TX: November 2001

The Rise and Rise of Animal Rights

A film on the success of the Animal Liberation Front – and why we're all guilty of providing an intellectual climate in which its ideas flourish.

One x sixty minutes

RDF Bristol for Channel 4

TX: January 2001

Ape-Man: Body

One film for this major six-part series on human evolution, tracing the search for the legendary 'missing link' in Africa and Asia.

One x sixty minutes

BBC2/The Learning Channel

TX: March 2000

The Fifty Years War: Israel and the Arabs

Two films in a six-part series on the Middle East since 1948, including interviews with George Bush Senior, Ariel Sharon, King Hussein and the leaders of the PLO.

Two x sixty minutes

Brook Lapping Productions for BBC2 and WGBH

TX: April 1998

EDIT PRODUCER (selected credits)

Unearthed: Egypt's Strangest Pyramid

Cutting-edge CGI and on-site investigations reveal the secrets of the Pyramid of Lahun, which seems to float on water in the middle of the desert.

One x sixty minutes

Windfall Films for Discovery Science

TX: January 2021

Unearthed: Hunt for King Midas's Golden City

Cutting edge CGI and on-site investigations asks the question: did the legendary King Midas really exist?

One x sixty minutes

Windfall Films for Discovery Science

TX: Dec 2020

Unearthed: Inside Egypt's Black Pyramid

Cutting-edge CGI and on-site investigations reveal the secrets of Pharaoh Amenemhet III, the ancient Egyptian ruler with two pyramids.

One x sixty minutes

Windfall Films for Discovery Science

TX: May 2020

Dead Sea Scrolls: The Doomsday Prophecy

Mysterious prophecies foretell the cataclysmic events of 73AD, when a Roman legion crushed Jewish rebellion at the Dead Sea fortress of Masada.

One x ninety minutes

Windfall Films for Discovery Science

TX: April 2020

Handsome Devils

Two films in a ten-part drama doc series about men who prey on vulnerable women.

Two x sixty minutes

Britespark for Discovery ID and Shaw, Canada

TX: Autumn 2014

Richard Hammond's Journey to the Centre of the Planet

Richard Hammond uses the latest CGI to journey to the centre of the earth.

Two x sixty minutes for BBC1

TX mid-2011

Children of Britain

Documentary looking at the lives of children in modern-day Britain.

One x sixty minutes

Mentorn for ITV1

TX: June 2011

References available on request