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Professional CG/VFX Supervisor and Director of Photography with extensive experience in managing and directing creative teams of 30+ CG artists (2D and 3D) for film, television and interactive entertainment.

- Expert level knowledge of CG and real world lighting allowing greater utilization of techniques to achieve desired looks for a variety of storylines and art styles.
- Designed, created and managed the photographic effects department for one of London's premiere visual effects production houses.
- Highly skilled in miniature, blue screen, motion control, high speed photography, and still photography.
- Excellent leadership, communication and team building skills.
- CG Supervisor for two AAA video games in the Harry Potter franchise by Electronic Arts (Highest grossing film to game franchise in history).
- Worked on the visual effects teams for two Academy Award winning films and two other films Oscar nominated by the Academy of Motion Pictures.
- Worked on the visual effects team which won the Best Visual Effects Television Emmy 1995.
- Lead VFX artist for the ground breaking children's PC MMO Lego Universe.
- Software expertise includes: Maya, Photoshop CS, Turtle, Mental Ray, Fork Particle.

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

NetDevil/LEGO Playwell Studios	2007-2011
<i>Lead VFX Artist, Art Director</i>	
Electronic Arts UK Studio	2004-2007
<i>CG Supervisor, Lead VFX Artist</i>	
Cinesite UK	2000-2004
<i>VFX Supervisor, Visual Effects Dir. Photography, Photographic Effects Supervisor</i>	
Dreamquest Images / The Secret Lab	1987-1999
<i>VFX Supervisor, 3D Match Mover/Animator, Visual Effects Dir. Photography, Cameraman</i>	
Freelance	1993-1998
<i>VFX Dir of Photography, VFX Plate Supervisor, VFX Cameraman</i>	

FILM AND TELEVISION EXPERIENCE

*Academy Award winning film

**Oscar nominated by Academy of Motion Pictures

***Best Visual Effects Television Emmy 1995

Cinesite UK

Tomb Raider 2 Cradle of Life	Digital FX Supervisor
Troy	Visual Effects Dir.Photog
Thunderbirds	Visual Effects Dir.Photog
Die Another Day	Model Unit VFX Supervisor
League of Extraordinary Gentlemen	Visual Effects Dir. Photography
Tomb Raider	Photographic Effects Supervisor

Dreamquest Images / The Secret Lab

Mission to Mars	2 nd Unit VFX Supervisor
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Dreamquest Images / The Secret Lab (Cont.)

Inspector Gadget
Armageddon**
Instinct
Flubber
Earth 2***
The Crow
Little Big League
Hero
Total Recall*
The Abyss*

3D Match Mover / Animator
Visual Effects Dir. Photography
Photographic Effects Supervisor
Visual Effects Dir. Photography
Visual Effects Dir. Photography
Visual Effects Dir. Photography
Visual Effects Plate Supervisor
Visual Effects Cameraman
Visual Effects Cameraman
Visual Effects Cameraman

Freelance

Mars Attacks
Before and After
Vegas Vacation
Baby's Day Out
Batman Returns**
Alien 3
The Hard Way

Warner Bros
20th Century Fox
Warner Bros
Hughes Entertainment
Warner Bros
20th Century Fox
Universal Pictures

VFX Director of Photography
Visual Effects Plate Supervisor
Visual Effects Dir. Photography
VFX Cameraman
VFX Cameraman
VFX Cameraman
VFX Plate Supervisor

Television Commercials

Coors Light Beer / Mountain People
Golden Grahams
Chef Boyardee
PIP Printing
Disney World / Tower of Terror
Delta Airlines / Worlds
La Mondiale

VFX Supervisor
VFX Supervisor
VFX Supervisor
Director of Photography
VFX Supervisor
VFX Supervisor
Director of Photography

INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT EXPERIENCE

Netdevil Studios / LEGO Playwell Studios

Lego Universe PC MMO
VPro Golf PC MMO

Lead VFX Artist
Art Director

Electronic Arts

Harry Potter & The Order of the Phoenix PS3, XBOX360
Harry Potter & The Goblet of Fire PS2, XBOX
Harry Potter & The Prisoner of Azkaban PS2, XBOX

CG Supervisor
CG Supervisor
Lead VFX Artist

EDUCATION / TRAINING

- ♦BA Fine Arts
University of California, Los Angeles (1986)
- ♦Showscan Film Corporation
Technician / Prod. Asst.

MEMBERSHIP

- ♦Member Visual Effects Society (VES)