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Since joining the film industry in 1995, I have spent over two decades working as a Gaffer, collaborating with Directors, Producers, and Cinematographers from New Zealand and around the globe.

As a co-owner of Flashlight Film Services, I manage a fleet of three lighting trucks and a customised jumbo van, ensuring top-quality equipment for every shoot. I'm passionate about working with Cinematographers, Directors and Production to craft visual narratives

through the artistry of light. I'm recognised for my teamwork, composure under pressure, and commitment to delivering quality lighting in a safe and timely manner. I value clear communication and a positive attitude to bring the whole on and off set experience to its best.

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Selected Gaffer Credits



Films

2023

Tinā Tu' Fa'Atasi Films
Director Miki Magasiva..... Cinematographer Andrew McGeorge

2022

SEEN..... Independent
Director Logan Marshall..... Cinematographer Ziga Zupancic

2021

Evil Dead Rise, 2nd Unit..... Pacific Renaissance
Director Charlie Haskell Cinematographer Ziga Zupancic

2019

By The Balls Rogue Productions
Director Chris Dudman..... Cinematographer David Paul

2019

Gurl Patangaroa Entertainment Limited
Director Mika Haka Cinematographer Darryl Ward

2017

The Breaker Upperers Miss Piki Films Ltd
Directors Jackie van Beek & Madeleine Sami Cinematographer Ginny Loane

2016

Maui's Hook Kura Productions
Director Paora Joseph Cinematographer Bevan Crothers

2016

Monster of Mangatiti Screentime NZ
Director Ric Pellizzeri..... Cinematographer Dave Cameron

2015

Hunt for the Wilder People - Pick Ups..... Majestical Pictures Ltd
Director Taika Waititi Cinematographer Lachlan Milne



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TV Series

2024

Homebound 3.0 Season 2 Kevin & Co
Directors Johnny Barker, Hweiling Ow and Michelle Ang..... Cinematographer Tim Flower

Red Rocks..... Libertine Pictures
Director David Stubs Cinematographer Simon Tutty

Double Parked Season 2 Kevin & Co
Director Madeleine Sami Cinematographer Paul Mockridge

2023

Vince Kevin & Co
Director David De Latour Cinematographer Lance Wordsworth

Raised By Refugees Season 2 Kevin & Co
Directors Pax Assadi, Kate McGill and Bree Peters Cinematographer Lance Wordsworth

Double Parked Kevin & Co
Director Madeleine Sami Cinematographer Paul Mockridge

Black Coast Vanishings, 4 Episodes Augusto
Director Alyx Duncan Cinematographer Adam Luxton

2022

Far North Golden Retriever family Ltd & White
Balance Pictures
Director David White Cinematographer Adam Luxton

Kura Season 3 Reel Factory
Director Vince McMillin Cinematographer Tim Flower

2021

SIS The Show Season 1 SIS The Show Ltd
Directors Hanelle Harris & Jeremiah Tauamiti Cinematographer Andrew McGeorge

2020

Cowboy Bebop Season 1, Additional 2nd Unit Gaffer,.. Intergalactic Productions
Block 2
Director Michael Katleman..... Cinematographer Dave Perkal

2020

Creamerie Series 1..... Kevin & Co, TVNZ, Flat3 Productions
Director Roseanne Liang..... Cinematographer Marty Smith

2019

Stephen Colbert - Late Show Kevin & Co
Directors Paige Kendig & Jake Plunkett Cinematographers Lance Wordsworth

2019

I Am Season 2 Screentime NZ
Director Rupert MacKenzie Cinematographer Scott Lee & Warren Green

2019

Kura..... TVNZ & EXIT Films
Director Vince McMillan Cinematographer Tim Flower

2018

Sensing Murder Screentime NZ
Director Alexander Behse Cinematographer Scott Lee

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TV Series

2016

Grand Designs New Zealand Season 2 MediaWorks
Director Shay Logan..... Cinematographer Duncan Cole

2015

Shannara Chronicles Season 1, 2nd Unit MTV NZ
Director Brad Turner..... Cinematographer Renaud Maire

2015

Descent from Disaster Series 2 Screentime NZ
Director Rupert MacKenzie Cinematographer Scott Lee

2015

The Bachelorette Imagination Television
Director Joe Siddiqui..... Cinematographer Paul Moss

TV Commercials

2023

Adidas Rugby World Cup Jersey Augusto
Director Brendan Canty Cinematographer Fergus Cahill

2022

Women's Rugby World Cup Discovery
Director Stacey Kearns Cinematographer Gus Leota

Air New Zealand Asset Refresh Reel Factory
Director Andre Deere..... Cinematographer Ryan Heron

2021

Dubai Expo Workshop E
Director Greg Wood Cinematographer Darryl Ward

2021

Fire & Emergency New Zealand Finch
Director Wade Shotter..... Cinematographer Ziga Zupancic

2020

Jaeger – Le Coultre
“Project Time” Benedict Cumberbatch Flying Fish NZ Ltd
Director Jason Bock..... Cinematographer Ziga Zupancic

2020

AIG Japan with the All Blacks Augusto
Director Shinri Abe Cinematographer Ryo Ogawa

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TV Commercials

2020

Jarden Fish & Clips
Director Jeff Wood Cinematographer Ziga Zupancic

2020

Rexona - All Blacks..... Flying Fish NZ Ltd
Director James Solomon..... Cinematographer Ziga Zupancic

2019

Air NZ Project T – Safety Video JetBlack
Director Josh Frizzel Cinematographer Darryl Ward

2019

Les Mills International..... Assembly
Director Jonny Kofoed Cinematographer Duncan Cole

2018

Air NZ Project S – Safety Video Exposure International Ltd
Director Kevin Denholm Cinematographer Darryl Ward

2018

Les Mills International..... Virtual Campaign Alt Group
Director Dean Poole Cinematographer Duncan Cole

2018

Air NZ 787 Dreamliner..... Exposure International
Director Kevin Denholm Cinematographers Darryl Ward &
Renaud Maire

2017

Slingshot..... Eight New Zealand Ltd
Director Miki Magasiva..... Cinematographer Aaron Morton

2017

Air New Zealand Safety Video: A Fantastic Journey.... Assembly Ltd
Directors Damon Duncan & Jonny Kofoed Cinematographer Jules O'Loughlin



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Short Films

2023

AMAH..... A Grain of Rice Productions
Director Michelle Ang Cinematographer Tim Flower

One Outs Independent
Director Isaac Bell Cinematographer Clayton Carpinter

2021

A Canary in a Cradle Bamber Films
Director Oscar Enberg Cinematographer Adam Luxton

2016

Treat Her Right Good Times Company Ltd
Director Loren Taylor..... Cinematographer Ginny Loane

2016

Undercurrent..... Short Film Exit Films Ltd
Director Patrick Feleti Cinematographer Ross Giardina

Music Clips

2021

Ladyhawke “My Love”..... Bamber Films
Director Madeleine Sami Cinematographer Darryl Ward

2020

Bennee “Kool”..... Universal Music Group, Bring, Augusto
Director Alan Bibby Cinematographer Adam Luxton

2018

Rudimental Walk Alone Pretty Bird Fish & Clips
Director Ian Schwartz..... Cinematographer Steve Annis

2017

LAD16 “Royal Blue” Flux
Director Ryan McNeill Cinematographer Simon Godsiff

