DEBORAH MOLLISON





SELECTED CREDITS

DEAD GOOD (2019) SIPPED (Deborah Mollison won the 'Award of Merit for Individual Achievement in Music') (2017) HEATHER'S PAINTING (2016) LUNA PARK (2015) FOR REAL (2009)

BIOGRAPHY

Deborah Mollison is an award-winning songwriter and film composer who is best known for her score to BAFTA nominated 'East is East', one of the most commercially successful independent British movies of all time.

She began composing at the age of seven when it was discovered that she was gifted with an acute sense of perfect pitch. At the age of 13, Deborah was accepted to study composition, pianoforte and flute at the Royal Academy of Music, and continued on there until the age of 21. She won the Else Cross prize for Pianoforte and gained her LRAM, ARAM and BMus. Deborah then went on to complete her Master's degree, studying with Elisabeth Lutyens, a pioneering female serial composer who's film scores gave Deborah an interest and insight into the art of film composition.

Deborah became bitten by the film scoring bug and continued her education across the Atlantic, studying Film Scoring at the University of California in Los Angeles. While in the US, Deborah scored the US feature 'The Boys of Sunset Ridge', the Carlton drama series 'The Thing About Vince' with Timothy Spall, and 'No Tears' featuring Brenda Fricker, which won the award for Best Mini-Series at the Monte-Carlo Television Festival in 2002. It was also around this time that Deborah completed her PHD in music which focused specifically on the cognitive thought patterning involved when musical composition is created.

As a songwriter, Deborah has worked with an impressive roster of writers including Nick Kershaw, Marti Pellow and Brian Kennedy. She has also arranged album music for artists such as Montserrat Caballé and Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark. In addition, Deborah won 'Song UK' for her first ever rock song.

Deborah has worked extensively for the BBC and Channel 4 on documentary series including 'Wild Weather', 'Better Designs' and 'Secrets of the Ancients'. Since then, Deborah has revisited her comedy writing to complete two series of 'Uncle Max' and the action comedy, 'Tied to a Chair'. She has also composed music for a variety of adverts including Virgin, Levis, Signal and Vodafone, and recently composed a bespoke wedding march for the marriage of a Saudi Arabian princess.

Deborah scored the short film 'Sipped' directed by Freddie Connor for which she won the 'Award of Merit for Individual Achievement in Music'. Prior to this Deborah composed for the short films 'Luna Park' directed by Freddie Connor, and 'Heather's painting', which won the best score in a short award in the Portsmouth International Film Festival 2016. In addition to being a skilled and versatile composer, Deborah is equally versed in orchestration, arranging and conducting. She regularly conducts her own work and has enjoyed conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the BBC Concert Orchestra and the Irish Film Orchestra.

FILM CREDITS

Emigré (2023)

Series

Created by Freddie Connor

Dead Good (2019)

Documentary
Directed by Rehana Rose

Ponder Productions

Luna Park (2015)

Short Film

Directed by Tom Wilton

FineLight Films

Horace K48 0.5 (2013)

Short Film

Directed by Christopher Hutchins

Ashenglow Entertainment

Godforsaken (2010)

Directed by Jamil Dehlavi

Dehlavi Films

For Real (2009)

Directed by Sona Jain Emerging Pictures

Missed (2007)

Short Film

Directed by Guy Ducker

London Film Conspiracy

Infinite Justice (2006)

Directed by Jamil Dehlavi

Dehlavi Films

Souli (2004)

Directed by Alexandra Abela

Blue Eye Films

The Art of the Critic (2003)

Short Film

Directed by Dom Shaw

Anonymous Films Ltd.

Flipped (2001)

Short Film

Directed by Phil Traill

Eccentric Productions

The Dentists Daughter (2000)

Short Film

Directed by Jacqueline O'Neill

Zanzibar Productions

Flopsee and Buttercup (2019)

Short Film

Directed by Freddie Connor

FineLight Films

Sipped (2017)

Short Film

Directed by Freddie Connor

FineLight Films

Heather's Painting (2016)

Short Film

Directed by Freddie Connor

FineLight Films

Echo Road (2014)

Short Film

Directed by Edmund Swabey

Defcon Films

Tied to a Chair (2011)

Directed by Michael Bergmann Ostrow & Company

On Stony Ground (2009)

Directed by Rehana Rose Ponder Productions

Running for River (2007)

Short Film

Directed by Angus Jackson

Directional Studios

Too Much Too Young (2007)

Directed by Trevor Steven Smith

Pensmith Films

Wooden Soul (2006)

Short Film

Directed by Rehana Rose

Ponder Productions

The Heat of the Story (2004)

Short Film

Directed by Rehana Rose

Ponder Productions

Post (2002)

Short Film

Directed by Phil Traill

Shine

The Boys of Sunset Ridge (2001)

Directed by Doug McKeon

Go Film



East Is East (1999)

Directed by Damien O'Donnell Film Four

Simon Magnus (1999)

Directed by Ben Hopkins Film Four

Marquis de Sade (1996)

Directed by Gwyneth Gibby AFRA Film Enterprises

Dillusc (1999)

Short Film Directed by Dearbhla Walsh Produced by Jason Doyle

Bait (1999)

Short Film Directed by Tom Shankland Film Four

On the Edge (1998)

Short Film Directed by Newton. I. Aduaka Granite FilmWorks Production

Vampires (1995)

Short Film Directed by Hasan Shah Shah Productions

TELEVISION CREDITS

The Real Serengeti (2010)

National Geographic

The Heart of a Lioness (2005)

Animal Planet

Coral Islands

Directed by Michael McKinnon McKinnon Films

Human Limits (2004)

BBC

Wild Weather (2002)

BBC

The Voyage of the Nautilus (2001)

Directed by Trond Eliassen National Geographic

The Thing about Vince (2000)

Directed by Christopher King Carlton Television

Better by Design (2000)

Directors - Dan Clifton, Alex Hearle TV6

Brand New Bra (2000)

Directed by Anne Laking TV6

Uncle Max (2008)

Directed by Julian Kemp, Simon Hynd Little Bird

Dan Cruickshanks Egypt (2005)

BBC

Self Portraits (2003)

Channel 4

Landscape Mysteries (2003)

The Open University

No Tears (2002)

Comet Films

Ancient Tides (2001)

Directed by Michael McKinnon McKinnon Films

What the Romans Did For Us (2000)

BBC

Are You Superhuman (2000)

BBC

The Irish Empire (2000)

Directed by Alan Gilsenan, Dearbhla Walsh BBC, RTE and SBS Australia

Lost on Everest (1999)

Directed by Peter Firstbrook



The Mystery of Seahendge (1999)

Directed by Graham Johnston Time Team

Rolfs Amazing World of Animals (1999)

BBC

Secrets of Ancients (1999)

BBC

Earth Story (1998)

BBC

Secrets of Lost Empires (1997)

BBC

The Witch's Daughter (1996)

Directed by Alan Macmillan Hallmark Entertainment

Jaws in the Med (1995)

Directed by Jeremy Taylor Cicada Films

Strangers in the Night

BBC Wales

The Gift of the Nile

Directed by Sue Francis Primetime Television

Treasures at the South Pole

Directed by Barry Fox - NBC

The Bay of the Giants

Directed by Mark Gentili Catspaw Productions

The Whistling Boy

Directed by Geoff Moore BBC Wales

The Return of the Unicorn (1999)

Directed by Michael McKinnon McKinnon Films

Designs on Your (1999)

Directed by Anne Lakin TV6

Orkney (1998)

Directed by Simon Raike Time Team

Mindreaders (1997)

Directed by Jeremy Taylor Illuminations

High stakes at Highclere (1996)

Directed by Graham Johnston Carlton UK Productions

Sleeping with Mickey (1994)

Directed by Lowri Gwilym BBC Wales

Capital Lives (1993)

Carlton Television

Stand up the Real Glynn Vernon (1988)

Directed by Yvette Vanson Vanson Productions

Painted Horses

Directed by Frances Berrigan Cicada Films

To the Ends of the Earth: Return to the Valley of the Kings

Directed by Graham Johnston Leaderfoot Films

COMMERCIAL CREDITS

Vodafone - "Train" 2006

Directed by Nick Gill, BBH

Signal - "Brushing Family" 2005

BBH

Levis - "Midsummer" 2005 Virgin One 2000

Directed by Nick Gill, BBH

