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Director of Photography

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Overcoming chronic illness and ulcerative colitis, Mark has carved a niche as an innovative cinematographer whose visual storytelling power has earned accolades across film, TV, and interactive media. His award-winning work spans feature films such as *Lightships*, *Election Night*, *Armageddon Gospels*, and *There's No Such Thing as Zombies*, with standout nominations for Best Cinematography on the music promo *Judge Me* and the experimental short *Intruder*. Most recently, he brought his signature style to the groundbreaking FMV game *Equinox*, directed by Craig Griffith and featuring cult actor and writer Rupert Booth, set within the imaginative realms of Booth's Protoverse universe. In addition to his dynamic creative practice, Mark is a doctoral researcher and associate lecturer at Goldsmiths, University of London. His cutting-edge research explores the health and mental well-being of film and TV professionals in the UK, shedding light on the psychological challenges and resilience factors within the creative industries. Whether behind the camera or in the lecture hall, Mark's work is a testament to the transformative power of storytelling and creative innovation.

SELECTED FESTIVAL LAURELS

- 2025 Unrestricted View FF (BIFA Qualifying)
- 2025 Black Sunday FF
- 2025 Romford Horror FF
- 2025 Nevermore FF
- 2025 Cardiff Mini FF
- 2024 Soho Horror FF
- 2024 Birmingham FF
- 2024 Be Afraid Horror Fest
- 2024 Unrestricted View FF
- 2024 SpookFest
- 2024 Terror in the Bay FF
- 2024 Sunday Shorts FF (Semi Finalist)
- 2024 FilmQuest
- 2024 Horror Haus FF
- 2024 Offline FF
- 2024 GrimmFest
- 2024 Spooky Empire
- 2024 Norwich FF (BIFA Qualifying)
- 2024 Dead and SudBuried
- 2024 Dead Northern FF
- 2024 Frightfest London
- 2024 Popcorn Frights 2024
- 2024 Final Frame
- 2023 Festival De Cannes (Double Selection)
- 2022 Esoteric IFF
- 2022 MidWest WeirdFest (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 IFF of Wales
- 2021 Festival Angaelica (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 Sydney Science Fiction FF
- 2021 Peephole FF (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 Brooklyn Sci-fi FF
- 2021 Festival of Cinema NYC
- 2021 Something Wicked FF (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 Chichester IFF (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 New York Lift-Off FF
- 2021 FilmFest Altenburg
- 2021 Screen ATX (Best Cinematography Nomination) (Best Film Nomination)
- 2021 East Europe IFF (Best Film Nomination)
- 2021 LA Sci-fi FF (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 Brighton Rocks IFF (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 Queen Palm IFF (Best Cinematography Winner) (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 Crypticon Kansas City Shockfest (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 Romford FF (Best Film Winner)
- 2021 EuropeNow FF
- 2020 London Int. Motion Picture Awards
- 2020 High Peak IFF
- 2019 Film Fest International (Best Cinematography Nomination)
- 2019 Toronto Int'l Spring of Horror & Fantasy FF
- 2018 International Film Festival of Wales (Best Cinematography Nomination)
- 2018 Brighton Rocks FF
- 2017 AM Egypt FF
- 2016 Bram Stoker IFF
- 2016 Unrestricted View FF
- 2015 Festival De Cannes

FEATURE FILM CREDITS

Title	Company	Director	Genre
Election Night (2020)	Shooting Tiger Pictures	Neil Monaghan	Horror
<i>"Election Night is a horror-thriller. As a divided country struggles the far-right gains power, one group of friends watching the night unfold on TV suffer as rioters invade their home and show what the new world order really means."</i>			
Lightships (2019)	GHRL Ltd	John Harrigan	Sci-fi
<i>"An evocative new work by visionary filmmaker John Harrigan and Foolish People brings to life a story of awakening to a greater reality ... and unlocking inner truth." Shot on Red Helium 8K with Kowa Anamorphic Lenses for 32:9 cinema widescreen.</i>			
No Such Thing as Zombies (2017)	Broken Toilet Productions	Eddie Bammeke	Horror Comedy
<i>"In a world where the media's unsure how to report about the zombie outbreak without angering the sponsors, Carlotta invites her ex Paul back into her house, ignoring the fact that he's actually a zombie - much to the dismay of her husband Colin, who had killed Paul in the first place ..."</i>			
Armageddon Gospels (2016)	Foolish People	John Harrigan	Surreal Supernatural
<i>"Refugee gods, transposed to flesh and blood, wash ashore to rouse the myths of ancient England, half-drowned in a forgotten past. They disperse through shifting realities to awaken the giant Albion and find the Holy Grail in a ritual to save England from the rot of darkness and hatred that's strangling its soul."</i>			

FMV GAME CREDITS

Title	Company	Director	Genre
Equinox (2026)	Reality Twister Ltd	Craig Griffith	Sci-fi
<i>A full motion video game based on the Protoverse universe stories and created by cult writer and actor, Rupert Booth.</i>			

SELECTED SHORT FILM CREDITS

Title	Company	Director	Genre
Safe (2023)	Micro Short Films	David Yorke	Horror
<i>A Micro Short Film made as part of the BAFTA Connect Community.</i>			
Tinsel Town (2022)	Tinsel Town Film	Kelly Langtim	Drama
<i>A beautiful Christmas film following the lives of family members as they prepare for the chaos of coming together as a family.</i>			
Gabby (2019)	(TBC)	Derek Hagen	Horror
<i>Following the morning of the bride's wedding, watching her getting ready for the big day, how wrong could it all go?</i>			
Life After Death (2019)	Screen Jam Productions	Andrew Anderson	Drama
<i>Soft, beautifully shot film exploring the unexpected loss of a partner and dealing with their funeral preparations.</i>			
Judgement Call (2018)	Stunts4Reel	Peter Pederro	Sci-fi
<i>A short fan film based on the Dredd comic book franchise shot in a punchy, gritty style involving the stunt teams & cast from Final Score and The Courier.</i>			
Winter Trees (2018)	Mutuality Films	Laura Wolfe	Drama
<i>This short film is an emotional piece and Mark shot it with a bleak colour palette in mid-winter to reflect the mood of the narrative.</i>			
Going to Seed (2017)	Doglet Films	Jane Dodd	Drama
Espresso to Die For (2017)	Broken Toilet Productions	Eddie Bammeke	Horror Comedy
<i>Espresso to Die For is a comedically charged murder fest starring Lynn Lowry (The Crazies, Shivers), although it is shot dark with high contrast to fit with the horror narrative it retains all the wonderful comedic timing from the cast.</i>			
Protoverse (2016-2017)	Protoverse Webseries	Rupert Booth	Sci-fi Comedy
<i>Mark worked on filming the episodes 'An Honest Living', 'Lies that Bind' and 'Out of Season'. A brilliant comedy sci-fi drama by Rupert Booth (Doctor Who, Contradiction) with thematic overtones from the TV series 'Lexx'. It is presently in the process of becoming a much larger production.</i>			
Mystical Legends (2011-2016)	Divine Media	Carrie Kirkpatrick	Historical Drama
<i>Over a number of years Mark was asked to work on the reconstruction segments and beauty shots for a web & promo series of episodes by the author, TV presenter, director and producer Carrie Kirkpatrick.</i>			
Follow Me (2016)	Occasional Films	Neil Monaghan	Romantic Comedy
<i>An ambitious fourth short film from award winning writer & director, Neil Monaghan. Mark was the cinematographer for its entirety, shooting on the Sony F5 with a variety of lenses and filters to produce a delicate soft look.</i>			
Poster Boy (2015)	Occasional Films	Neil Monaghan	Horror
<i>A punchy horror film that has an almost sepià-like tone. It has gone on to win multiple awards internationally and sold in several territories</i>			

all over the world.

Everyone's a Critic (2015)	Occasional Films	Neil Monaghan	Horror Comedy
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Job 261 (2014)	Sond Productions	Arvind Sond	Sci-fi
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This film is a heavily CGI-laden production shot on location in a disused Pfizer research lab, Kent. Shot in 4K for post-production.

Intruder (2014)	Sond Productions	Arvind Sond	Horror
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An experimental short film shot in 4K on a Sony F55.

Binky (2014)	Binky Productions	Alex Thorne	Supernatural
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Shot in late summer with a selection of lenses and soft filters it is a beautifully soft film. It incorporated timelapses and was a pleasure to work on. Officially selected for Cannes Film Festival 2015.

Credo (2013)	Credo the Series	Will Wright	Supernatural
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SELECTED MUSIC VIDEO CREDITS

Title	Company	Director	Genre
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Judge Me (2018)	Scissoran Studios	Ashleigh Harley	Pop
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*Wonderfully visual with contrasting black and white sections with colourful vibrant sections. It has been very successful on the festival circuit having won many international awards, as well as earning Mark a **Best Cinematography Nomination**.*

Hit or Miss (2017)	March.	David Mansell	Pop
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Poverty (2012)	Screaming Soul	Will Wright	Urban Contemporary
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A visually gritty music video with a guest appearance from Ed Skrien (Deadpool, Game of Thrones).

Ghost in the Shell (2011)	Screaming Soul	Will Wright	Urban Contemporary
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Still one of Mark's favorite creative projects to date, it is visually punchy and complementary to the depth to the narrative within the song.

SEO Pimp (2011)	HP Group	Will Wright	Comedy Rap
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Petrified (2011)	Scarlet Lowe	Will Wright	Pop
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At the time Scarlet Lowe were made up from two of the three former members of 'Miss Frank', an X-Factor band mentored by Louis Walsh.

News Stand (2011)	New Town Kings	Will Wright	Ska/Reggae
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One for the Team (2009)	Alita's Curse	Giannis Georgiou	Rock
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Frozen (2007)	Crimson Tears	Arvind Sond	Symphonic Metal
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Mark shot this project on an original Panasonic Varicam for variable frame rates using Canon lenses and black pro-mist filters for a beautiful soft finish.

SELECTED COMMERCIAL CREDITS

Title	Company	Director
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GLA Mayor Candidate Campaign (2019)	Women's Equality Party	Mary Drysdale
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Promotional commercial videos supporting WEP's Mayoral Candidate for the 2020 GLA Elections.

Women's Equality Party Recruitment (2018)	Women's Equality Party	Cath Smith
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Public recruitment commercial for Women's Equality Party.

WEP: #HomeUse Campaign (2018)	Women's Equality Party	Katie O'Mahoney
<i>Mark was involved in filming and documenting women's experiences of UK abortion procedures as well as experts in the field to help with WEP's HomeUse Campaign to change the law, leading to a successful change in both England and Wales later that year.</i>		
WEP: #MakeYourMark Campaign (2018)	Women's Equality Party	Nell Burnham
Keys to the Universe (2017)	Keys to the Universe	Robert Hunter
Clive Nolan: King's Ransom (2017)	King's Ransom the Musical	Neil Monaghan
<i>Mark was cinematographer for two short commercial films for Clive Nolan's musical productions.</i>		
Energie Evolution (2017)	Energie Group	Neil Monaghan
<i>High-energy impact commercial for Energie's 2017 conference & its opener.</i>		
Energie CrowdCube Campaign (2016)	Energie Group	Neil Monaghan
<i>This commercial was for a successful business funding campaign.</i>		
Energie Fitness & Fit4Less Clubs (2013-2016)	Energie Group	Neil Monaghan
Energie Fitness Clubs for Women (2014-2016)	Energie Group	Neil Monaghan
Energie Presents... (2013)	Energie Group	Neil Monaghan
<i>High-energy impact commercial for Energie's 2013 conference & its opener.</i>		
My Water is Pure (2014)	Water is Pure Filters	Neil Monaghan
Illimani Water Filter (2014)	Illimani Taps	Neil Monaghan
The Clinic: Dental Facial (2013)	The Clinic	Neil Monaghan
Cooper BMW (2012)	Cooper Group	Will Wright
Cooper BMW Mini (2012)	Cooper Group	Will Wright
<i>N.B. Years can indicate either the release year or the production year if there was a significant gap between Mark's involvement and release.</i>		

BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

While studying engineering at university in the late 1990s, Mark became involved with UCL Film Society (former pres. **Christopher Nolan**), which led to a lifelong passion in filmmaking. After university he attended prestigious **Met Film School, Ealing Studios** for its one-year practical film-making course. While there, he was in part taught by **Paul Wheeler BSC** who introduced him to working within professional camera departments and by the end of 2006, was working fully professionally in camera/lighting. In recent years Mark has become increasingly involved with women's rights campaigns and is a big supporter of women in film.

OTHER INFORMATION

- Associate Lecturer, Goldsmiths.
- BAFTA Connect Member 2022-Present
- BAFTA Crew Participant 2018-2022
- BECTU Camera Branch H&S Officer 2020-2021
- BECTU Camera Branch Feature Film Rep 2018-2020
- Red Epic-W 8K Owner/Operator
- Experienced gimbal operator
- Experienced editor & colourist
- Accomplished VFX/SFX Unit Cinematographer
- Proficient with many high-end cinema cameras
- C&G Electrical Qualifications
- Film School: Met Film School, Ealing Studios
- Degree: Psychology MSc
- Degree: Computer Science BSc (Hons)