

# Josh Forwood

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## Overview

Experienced Drone Pilot, 2nd Camera / Camera Assistant & Field Mixer

## Skills

### Camera:

- PhantomFlex4K • Sony F55/FS7 •
- RED • Arri Amira/Alexa • Canon 5D •
- GH5/S1H • A7S • Gimbals •
- Bradley Cams • Other Remote Cams •

### PC/Mac:

- Premiere Pro • Photoshop • Avid •
- After Effects • Final Cut Pro •
- Prelude • ShotgunPro/Hedge •

### Post Production:

- Editing • Edit Assisting •
- Effects • 360 Video stitching •
- LTO Authoring • Deliverables •
- DIT • 4K Data Management •

### Licences / Visas:

- RPC(S) drone pilot qualified (UK) •
- FAA drone qualified (USA) [Pending renewal] •
- BSAC Scuba Diver (Open water) •
- Full UK driving licence •

### Drones:

I'm a qualified drone pilot with experience flying commercially all over the world. I own my own kit (DJI Inspire 2 X5s & DJI Mavic 2 Pro) ready to fly & film.

### 360 Virtual Reality:

I have captured and edited a number of 360 degree virtual reality films for both Discovery's River Monsters as well as for National Geographic and PBS

## Employment

**2nd Camera / Long Lens / Drone - Humble Bee**  
November 2020 - December 2020

- **Title TBC - Popular online streaming service**

Filming fur seals, brown hyena and jackals on long lens and with drone

**2nd Camera / Long Lens / Drone - True to Nature**  
October 2020 - November 2020

- **Title TBC - Popular online streaming service**

Filming wild dogs, hyena on the CN20 and with drones in Zimbabwe

**Drone / Camera Assist / Sound - Wildflame**  
September 2020 - October 2020

- **TBC - Undisclosed Terrestrial Channel**

Operating drone inside a volcano and around sulphur pools, plus camera assisting and sound with multiple contributors.

**Drone / Camera Assist - BBC NHU**  
September 2020

- **Title TBC - TBA**

Operating drone and camera assisting on cutting edge new flagship TV series shooting 8K plate shots

**Drone / Camera Assist / Sound - BBC Science**  
February 2020 - March 2020

- **Title TBC - BBC Studios**

Operating drone, sound and additional camera whilst filming penguins, seals, whales, and a bio-acoustic scientist in Antarctica and South Georgia

**Camera Assistant / Drone - Plimsoll Films**  
September 2019 - November 2019

- **Chasing Oceans Giants [8x42] - Discovery+**

Operating drone and second camera filming Manta Rays in the maldives and Orca in northern Norway.

**Rig Camera Operator / Drone - Blink Films UK**  
August 2019 - Feb 2020

- **Meet The Chimps [6x60] - NatGeo / Disney+**

Rigging, maintaining and operating 13 remotely operated rig cameras (Bradley Cam) filming chimps in semi-wild style enclosures in the USA over the course of 7 months. Also operating drone.

## Employment Continued...

### Second Camera / Drone - Wild Blue Media

May 2019 - June 2019

- **Viking Warrior Women [1 x 45] - NatGeo**  
Operating second camera and drone in Sweden, Denmark, and Norway on a one off special.

### Second Camera / Drone - Arrow Media

November 2018 - December 2018

- **American Vikings [3 x 60] - Discovery Science**  
7.5 weeks filming around USA, Canada, Greenland & Denmark on camera & drone, searching for evidence of Vikings' journey into North America.

### Drone Operator / Sound Recordist / 360 Camera / Additional Camera - Windfall Films

May 2018 - March 2019

- **Polar Extremes - PBS Nova**

12 weeks camping and filming in remote locations including parts of the Arctic, Antarctica, Europe, USA, Greenland, Canada, Chile, and Argentina. Drones, sound, 360 cameras and additional cameras.

### Camera Assistant - Windfall Films

January 2018 - April 2018

- **Lost Treasures of Egypt - NatGeo / C4**

A 12 week shoot in various locations around Egypt, from Aswan & Cairo to Luxor & the Eastern Desert as DIT, sound recordist and additional cameras.

### Edit Assistant / Drone Pilot / Sound - BBC NHU

May 2017 - December 2017

- **The One Show [Series 11] - BBC1**

Edit assistant, drone operator and camera for NHU wildlife films for BBC's The One Show

- **The One Show Expedition - BBC1**

Drone operator, long lens camera, sound & DIT on a 3 week expedition on the Atlantic Ocean

### Sound Recordist / DIT - Windfall Films

March 2017 - May 2017

- **Rocky Mountain Railroad - Discovery Channel**

A 8.5 week shoot in various locations across Canada and the Rocky Mountains as sound recordist, DIT and camera assistant.

### Production Technical Coordinator - Icon Films

March 2013 - November 2016

- **The One Show [Series 10] - BBC1**

Edit assistant and DIT for over 50 episodes, edited 2 episodes, filmed all aerial video, shot a mixture of first & second camera, sound recordist, & electronics/prop/camera tech fabricator

- **River Monsters [Series 6-8 + 9] - ITV / Discovery**

Three full seasons sound mixing, DIT, camera assisting & edit assisting for 90 different cuts of over 30 episodes. I returned for 2 further episodes of as drone pilot and DIT in remote locations in Malaysia and Nepal.

- **Ben Franklins Bones - PBS**

Second Camera and Camera Assistant

### 360 Degree VR Camera Operator - Icon Films

Feb 2016

- **River Monsters VR - Web Series**

Choreographed series of VR videos, designing 360 set and overseeing construction, operating 360 camera and stitching / editing video in post production

- **Africa's Giant Killers VR - Web Series**

Stitched and edited a set of 360 VR videos featuring lions and elephants

## Short Jobs

**2nd Camera, Drone & Sound - Silverback**

September 2019 - **Earthshot: How to Save Our Planet - Silverback**

Filming a science / eco show in the UK

**Sound & Drone Operator**

Feb-May 2019 - **New Flagship BBC1 Doc Series**

Sound recordist and drone operator on new prime time BBC1 factual series

**Bradley Cam Technician - BBC Scotland**

April 2019 + August 2019 - **Bats - BBC**

Prepped and installed remotely operated Bradley-Cam and IR lighting for 4 month remote filming of bat roost. Returned for de-rigging 4 months later.

**Camera Assistant - PI Film Network**

May 2019 - **We are the Champions - Netflix**

Camera assisting a Red Helium filming the Gloucester cheese rolling on a big production with 5 Red's, a Phantom, drone & cable cam all being streamed to a video village.

**Drone Operator - Renegade Pictures**

May 2017 - **Don't Tell the Bride - Channel 4**

Drone operator filming a trio of rally cars racing around a track

**Drone Operator - Bike Channel UK**

May 2017 - **Polar Advert**

Drone operator filming Sky cyclist racing team for an advert of a new polar bike computer

## Education

**University of West of England, Bristol**

Media Practice BA(Hons) 2011