

Stephen A Nicholas

Production Designer

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Stephen is a Welsh Production Designer whose career spans more than three decades across award-winning feature films, BAFTA-winning high-end television drama, and international studio productions. Having progressed from Supervising Art Director on globally recognised productions including *Doctor Who*, *Torchwood* and *Sherlock* to Production Designer on award-winning feature films and HETV drama, he brings both large-scale technical expertise and creative leadership to every project. Renowned for creating immersive, visually compelling worlds, his work encompasses fantasy, science fiction, period drama, contemporary storytelling, comedy and documentary. Dedicated to nurturing future talent, he also mentors apprentices and emerging creatives, helping to shape the next generation of art department professionals.

Selected Film / Specials and HETV Drama Credits

'TOTTENHAM RULES' currently in prep

Feature Film 2026

Company: Tottenham Rules Productions

Title:

Director:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Akin Kongi

Paapa Essiendu

'ZOOPT' 2025

1 X 15-minute Drama Series Pilot

Company: 5 Acts Productions ITV

Title:

Director:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Darragh Mortell

Jim Caesar, Carly-Sophia Davies, Darren Evans, Sam C Wilson

'BOARDERS 3'

6 X 45-minute Drama Series

Company: Studio Lambert

Title:

Directors:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Yero Timi-Biu, Satya Bhabha

Josh Tedeku, Jodie Campbell, Myles Kamwendo, Sekou Diaby, Aruna Jalloh

'BOARDERS 2'

6 X 45-minute Drama Series

Company: Studio Lambert

Title:

Directors:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Joelle Mae David, Sam Masud

Josh Tedeku, Jodie Campbell, Myles Kamwendo, Sekou Diaby, Aruna Jalloh

Broadcast Awards Nomination for Best Comedy Programme 2025 & 2026

Catalyst Awards Nomination for Best TV Show 2026

RTS West of England Award WINNER for Best Scripted Content 2025

RTS Programme Awards Nomination for Best Comedy Series 2025

'CRONGTON'

10 X 25-minute Drama Series

Company: New Pictures

Title:

Director:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Ethosheia Hylton

Samson Agboola, Nielle Springer, Noa Cox, Lisa Allen, Kelle Bryan

BAFTA Television Award WINNER for Best Children's Scripted Programme 2026

Broadcast Awards Nomination for Best Children's Programme 2026

ROSE D'OR Award Nomination for Best Children and Youth Series 2025

Venice TV Award WINNER for Best Children and Youth Series 2025

National Film Awards Nomination for Best TV Drama Series 2025

'BOARDERS 1'

6 X 45-minute Drama Series

Company: Studio Lambert

Title:

Directors:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Ethosheia Hylton, Sam Masud

Josh Tedeku, Jodie Campbell, Myles Kamwendo, Sekou Diaby, Aruna Jalloh

C21 International Drama Awards Nomination for Best Comedy Drama Series 2024

Edinburgh TV Festival Awards Nomination for Best Comedy Series 2024

Venice TV Awards Nomination for Best Comedy Series 2024

'PLEBS - SOLDIERS OF ROME'

1 X 90-minute Feature / TV Film Special

Company: Rise Films

Title:

Director:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Sam Leifer

Ryan Sampson, Tom Rosenthal, Jon Pointing, Tom Basden, Joe Thomas

Broadcast Tech Innovation Award Nomination for Excellence in Audio Post-Production 2023

RTS Television Award Nomination for Best Writer 2023

'GALWAD'

1 X 90-minute Feature / TV Film Special

Company: Mad As Birds Films

Title:

Director:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Eric Styles

Nitin Ganatra, Alexandria Riley, Matthew Aubrey

SXSW Innovation Award Nomination for Best Immersive Production 2023

ROSE D'OR Award Nomination for Best Multi-Platform series 2023

'A MILLION DAYS'

1 X 90-minute Feature Film

Company: Peardrop Productions

Title:

Director:

Featuring:

Production Designer

Mitch Jenkins

Hermione Corfield, Simon Merrells, Kemi-Bo Jacobs

Melies d'argent Award Nomination for Best Science Fiction Film 2023

Discovery Screen Award Nomination 2024

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Selected Film / Specials and HETV Drama Credits cont....

‘THE TRICK’

1 X 90-minute BBC Feature / TV Film 2021
Company: Vox Pictures
BAFTA Cymru Award Nomination for Best Feature / TV Film 2022
RTS Cymru Award Nomination for Best Drama 2022

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Pip Broughton
Jerome Flynn, Jason Watkins, Victoria Hamilton, Adrian Edmondson

‘FFLAM’

6 X 30-minute Thriller Drama Series 2020
Company: Vox Tan

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Judith Dine
Richard Harrington, Gwyneth Keyworth, Mali Ann Rees, Pinar Ogun

‘KEEPING FAITH’ Series III

6 X 60-minute Thriller Drama Series 2020
Company: Vox Pictures
BAFTA Cymru Award Nomination for Best Television Drama 2021

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Pip Broughton / Judith Dine
Eve Myles, Bradley Freegard, Mark Lewis Jones, Hannah Daniel

‘CYSWLLT / LIFELINES’

3 X 30-minute Lockdown Drama Series 2020
Company: Vox Pictures
Celtic Media Award Nomination for Best Short Drama category 2021

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Pip Broughton
Mark Lewis Jones, Hannah Daniel, Catrin Stewart, Aneirin Hughes

‘THE TUCKERS’

6 X 30-minute Comedy / Drama Series 2019
Company: BBC Studios
BAFTA Cymru Award Nomination for Best Entertainment Programme

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Ian Fitzgibbon
Steve Speirs, Alexandria Riley, Lynn Hunter, Robert Pugh
Ben McGregor, Joshua McCord

‘CONCRETE PLANS’

Contemporary Thriller Feature Film 2019
Company: Perfectmotion/Fractured Films
Grand Jury Prize for Best Director Feature Film UK at the Seattle Film Festival
Best Ensemble in a Feature Film UK at the Seattle Film Festival
Grand Jury Prize for Best Feature Film UK at the Seattle Film Festival

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Will Jewell
Steve Speirs, William Thomas, Amber Rose Revah, Kevin Guthrie,

Selected Documentary / Factual / Promo Credits

‘BURIED’ broadcast 2026 (post)

3 x 60-minute Documentary series 2026
Company: Wall to Wall

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Mags Gavan
Michael Sheen, Dan Ashby, Lucy Taylor

‘WOMAN’S SIX NATIONS PROMO’

1 x 30 second Promo 2025
Company: BBC Cymru/Wales

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Marc Real
Hannah Jones, Keira Bevan, Alex Callender

‘RADIO WALES PROMO’

1 x 30 second Promo 2025
Company: BBC Cymru/Wales

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Marc Real
Connor Allen

‘THE MURDER OF JILL DANDO’

60-minute Documentary special 2018
Company: BBC Studios
BAFTA Cymru Nomination for Best Single Documentary

Title:
Director:
Featuring:

Production Designer
Marcus Plowright
Nick Ross, Jenny Bond, Moira Stuart, Michael Buerk

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Selected Supervising Art Director Credits

‘DOCTOR WHO’ Series I – VI & Specials

78 x 45 minutes and 10 x 1-hour specials

UK, Dubai, Utah, Spain, USA 2005-2012

Company: BBC Cymru/Wales

Title:

Designers:

Directors:

Featuring:

Supervising Art Director

Edward Thomas, Tristan Peatfield, Michael Pickwoad

Keith Boak, Joe Ahearne, Euros Lyn, Dan Zef, Brian Grant, James

Hawes, Graham Harper, Jame Strong, Colin Teague, Hettie Macdonald,

Andrew Gunn, Douglas Mackinnon, Alice Troughton, Adam Smith,

Jonny Campbell, Ashley Way, Nick Hurran, Jeremy Webb, Peter Hoar,

Toby Haynes, Julian Simpson, Richard Clark, Richard Senior

Christopher Eccleston, David Tennant, Matt Smith, Billy Piper,

Catherine Tate, Freema Agyeman, Karen Gillan

BAFTA Cymru Award WINNER for Best Design ("The Waters of Mars")

BAFTA Cymru Nomination for Best Design ("The Girl in the Fireplace")

BAFTA Cymru Nomination for Best Design ("Voyage of the Damned")

RTS Nomination for Best Production Design ("The Pandorica Opens")

BAFTA Cymru Nomination for Best Design ("Christmas Special")

BAFTA Cymru Award WINNER for Best Drama Series

BAFTA Award WINNER for Best Drama Series

‘SHERLOCK’ Pilot

3 X 1-hour Drama special 2008

Company: Hartwood Films / BBC Cymru/Wales

Title:

Designer:

Director:

Featuring:

Supervising Art Director

Edward Thomas

Coky Giedroyc

Benedict Cumberbatch, Martin Freeman, Una Stubbs

‘SARAH JANE ADVENTURES’ Special

45 minutes Drama special 2010

Company: BBC Cymru/Wales

Title:

Designer:

Director:

Featuring:

Chief Supervising Art Director

Edward Thomas

Colin Teague

Elizabeth Sladen, David Tennant

‘TORCHWOOD’ Series I – III

26 x 50 minutes + 5 x 1-hour specials

2006-2011

Company: BBC Cymru/Wales

Title:

Designer:

Directors:

Featuring:

Chief Supervising Art Director

Edward Thomas

Andy Goddard, Euros Lynn, James Strong, Alice Troughton

John Barrowman, Eve Myles, Kai Owen, Gareth David-Lloyd

BAFTA Cymru Award WINNER for Best Design ("Everything Changes")

BAFTA Cymru Award Nomination for Best Design ("Adrift")

‘THE MAGIC DOOR’

Feature Film 2004

Company: Bear Island Productions

Title:

Designer:

Director:

Featuring:

Supervising Art Director

Edward Thomas

Paul Matthews

Jenny Agutter, Patsy Kensit, Anthony Head

‘BLOOD OF BEASTS’

Feature Film 2003

Company: Krimsom Knight Productions

Title:

Designer:

Director:

Featuring:

Supervising Art Director

Burie Van-zul

David Lister

Jane March, Justin Whalin, William Gregory Lee

‘HOODLUM AND SON’

Feature Film 2002

Company: Tanmarsh Communications

Title:

Designer:

Director:

Featuring:

Supervising Art Director

Burie Van-zul

Ashley Way

Mia Sara, Ted King, Ron Perlman

Countries Worked

Africa, Bulgaria, Croatia, Dubai, Isle of Man, Ireland, Romania, South Africa, Spain, UK, United Arab Emirates, USA

Studios Worked

Nu Boyana Film Studios – Bulgaria, Buftea Studios – Romania, Bay Studios – Swansea, Great Point Studios – Cardiff, Enfys Studios – Cardiff, Roath Lock Studios – Cardiff, Upper Boat Studios – Cardiff, BBC Cymru/Wales Studios – Cardiff, Elstree Studios – London, BBC Television Centre Studios – London, Broadcast House Studios – Johannesburg, Troubadour Meridian Water Studios – London, The Bottleyard Studios – Bristol.

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Nationality

Welsh / British

Health and Safety Courses

Risk management of productions course	Expires February 2029
Tackling bullying & harassment at work course	Expires February 2029
Anti Bribery and corruption course	Expires February 2029
All3Media company handbook course	Expires February 2029
Data security course	Expires February 2029
Workstation Ergonomics Awareness Course	Expires February 2029

References

References on request