

# DEBORAH MOLLISON



## **SELECTED CREDITS**

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.

Most recently 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

### **Sipped (2017)**

Short Film  
Directed by Freddie Connor  
FineLight Films

### **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

### **Dillusc (1999)**

Short Film  
Directed by Dearbhla Walsh  
Produced by Jason Doyle

### **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 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

### **Bait (1999)**

Short Film  
Directed by Tom Shankland  
Film Four

### **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

**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

**The Irish Empire (2000)**

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

**Lost on Everest (1999)**

Directed by Peter Firstbrook  
BBC

**The Mystery of Seahendge (1999)**

Directed by Graham Johnston  
Time Team

**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 Mystery of Mine Howe (2000)**

Directed by Graham Johnston, Simon Raikes  
Time Team

**Secrets of Ancients (1999)**

BBC

**Rolfs Amazing World of Animals (1999)**

BBC

**The Return of the Unicorn (1999)**

Directed by Michael McKinnon  
McKinnon Films

**Designs on Your (1999)**

Directed by Anne Lakin  
TV6



**Earth Story (1998)**

BBC

**Mindreaders (1997)**

Directed by Jeremy Taylor  
Illuminations

**High stakes at Highclere (1996)**

Directed by Graham Johnston  
Carlton UK Productions

**Jaws in the Med (1995)**

Directed by Jeremy Taylor  
Cicada Films

**Capital Lives (1993)**

Carlton Television

**Painted Horses**

Directed by Frances Berrigan  
Cicada Films

**The Bay of the Giants**

Directed by Mark Gentili  
Catspaw Productions

**The Whistling Boy**

Directed by Geoff Moore  
BBC Wales

**Treasures at the South Pole**

Directed by Barry Fox – NBC

**Orkney (1998)**

Directed by Simon Raike  
Time Team

**Secrets of Lost Empires (1997)**

BBC

**The Witch's Daughter (1996)**

Directed by Alan Macmillan  
Hallmark Entertainment

**Sleeping with Mickey (1994)**

Directed by Lowri Gwilym  
BBC Wales

**Stand up the Real Glynn Vernon (1988)**

Directed by Yvette Vanson  
Vanson Productions

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

Directed by Graham Johnston  
Leaderfoot Films

**Strangers in the Night**

BBC Wales

**The Gift of the Nile**

Directed by Sue Francis  
Primetime Television

**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

