# **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**

#### **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

#### Dillusc (1999)

Short Film Directed by Dearbhla Walsh Produced by Jason Doyle

#### 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

# **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

#### 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

#### 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)

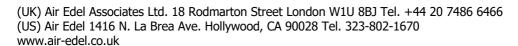
Directed by Graham Johnston, Simon Raikes Time Team

#### 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

# **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

#### **Treasures at the South Pole**

Directed by Barry Fox – NBC

#### **Orkney (1998)**

Directed by Simon Raike Time Team

#### **Secrets of Lost Empires (1997)**

RRC

#### 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

