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KRISTIAN DENCH - 1ST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

CREDITS INCLUDE:

WAR OF THE WORLDS

3 x 1hr Period Sci-Fi Drama Mini Series

Director Craig Viveiros
Producer Betsan Morris Evans
Exec. Producers Damian Timmer, Tracey Seaward, Preethi Mavahalli
Production Co. Mammoth Screen / BBC

PRESS

6 x 1hr Contemporary Drama

Director Tom Vaughan
Producer Paul Gilbert
Exec. Producers Mike Bartlett, Rebecca Eaton, Bethan Jones, Faith Penhale
Production Co. BBC, Deep Indigo Productions, Lookout Point, PBS Materpiece

THE MINIATURIST

3 x 1hr Period Drama

Director Guillem Morales
Producer Gethin Scourfield
Exec. Producers Elizabeth Kilgarriff, Kate Sinclair
Production Co. The Forge Entertainment / BBC1
Featuring Anna Taylor-Joy, Alex Hassell, Romola Garai, Hayley Squires, Paapa Essiedu

KING CHARLES III

90' Future History Drama
(TV Adaptation of Mike Bartlett's Play)

Director Rupert Goold
Producer Simon Maloney
Exec. Producers Greg Brenman, Roanna Benn
Production Co. Drama Republic / BBC Two

BROKEN

3 x 1hr Drama Series
Episodes 1, 2 & 3

Director Ashley Pearce
Producers Donna Molloy, Colin McKeown
Exec. Producers Jimmy McGovern, Sean Bean, Lucy Richer
Production Co. LA Productions Ltd / BBC One
Featuring Sean Bean, Anna Friel

ENDEAVOUR 4

90' Period Crime Drama

Director Börkur Sigthorsson
Producer Helen Ziegler
Exec. Producers Damien Timmer, Tom Mullens, Russell Lewis, Rebecca Eaton
Production Co. Mammoth Screen Ltd / ITV

GUILT

2 x 1hr Crime Thriller Series
Episodes 9 & 10

Director Larry Shaw
Producer Suzanne Reid
Exec. Producer Gary Goodman, Darren Swimmer, Todd Slavkin
Production Co. Iniquity Productions / Lionsgate / ABC Entertainment

RILLINGTON PLACE

3 x 1hr Period Crime Drama
Location Scotland

Director Craig Viveiros
Producer Sharon Bloom
Exec. Producer Phillippa Giles
Production Co. Bandit Television / BBC1
Featuring Tim Roth, Samantha Morton

GRANTCHESTER 2

2 x 1hr Period Drama Series

Director Ed Bennett
Producer Emma Kingsman Lloyd
Exec. Producers Diederick Santer, Alison Barnett
Production Co. Lovely Day / Kudos
Featuring James Norton, Robson Green, Neil Morrissey

AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

3 x 1hr Period Drama

Director Craig Viveiros, Producer Abi Bach
Exec. Producers Karen Thrussell, Damien Timmer
Production Co. Mammoth Screen / Acorn Productions / BBC1
Featuring Charles Dance, Aiden Turner, Anna Maxwell Martin

Cont.

DR FOSTER

3 x 1hr Contemporary Drama

Director Tom Vaughan
 Producer Grainne Marmion
 Exec. Producers Mike Bartlett, Greg Brenman, Roanna Benn,
 Jude Liknaitzky, Matthew Read
 Production Co. Drama Republic / BBC1
 Featuring Suranne Jones, Bertie Carvell, Robert Pugh

National Television Awards Best New Drama & Broadcast Best Drama Series
BAFTA Nominated Best Drama Mini Series

DA VINCI'S DEMONS 3

6 x 1hr Adventure Fantasy Drama Series

Directors Peter Hoar, Mark Everest
 Producers Joshua Throne, Tom Riley, Peter Hoar
 Exec. Producers David S. Goyer, Matthew Bouch, John Shiban,
 Jane Tranter, Julie Gardner
 Production Co. BBC Worldwide Productions
 Featuring Tom Riley, Laura Haddock, Elliot Cowan,
 Lara Pulver, David Schofield

ATLANTIS 2

3 x 1hr Fantasy Adventure Series

Director Justin Molotnikov
 Producer Gareth Williams
 Exec. Producers Johnny Capps, Julian Murphy, Howard Overman
 Production Co. Urban Myth Films / BBC America

THE CRIMSON FIELD

2 x 1hr Period Drama

Director Thaddeus O'Sullivan
 Producer Annie Tricklebank
 Exec. Producers Anne Pivcevic, Sarah Phelps
 Production Co. BBC
 Featuring Hermione Norris, Oona Chaplin, Suranne Jones

SILENT WITNESS XVII

2 x 1hr Crime Drama Series

Director Craig Viveiros
 Producer Sharon Bloom
 Exec. Producer Phillippa Giles
 Production Co. BBC
 Featuring Emilia Fox, Gary Lewis, Martin Compston

VERA IV

2hr Detective Drama Series

Director Thaddeus O'Sullivan
 Producer Margaret Mitchell
 Exec. Producers Kate Bartlett, Elaine Collins
 Production Co. ITV
 Featuring Brenda Blethyn, Paul Ritter, David Leon

THE GUILTY

3 x 1hr Crime Thriller Series

Director Ed Bazalgette
 Producer Elaine Cameron, Exec. Producer Beryl Vertue
 Production Co. Hartswood / ITV
 Featuring Tasmin Grieg, Katherine Kelly, Darren Boyd

VERA III

1 x 2hr Detective Drama Series

Director Thaddeus O'Sullivan
 Producer Margaret Mitchell
 Exec. Producers Kate Bartlett, Elaine Collins
 Production Co. ITV
 Featuring Brenda Blethyn, Paul Ritter, David Leon

SILENT WITNESS XVI

2 x 1hr Crime Drama Series

Director Thaddeus O'Sullivan
 Producer Sharon Bloom, Exec. Producer Phillippa Giles
 Production Co. BBC
 Featuring Emilia Fox, William Gaminara, David Murray,
 Christina Bottomley, Christopher Fulford

MIDSOMER MURDERS XV

1 x 120' Mystery Drama Series

Director Renny Rye
 Producer Jo Wright
 Production Co. Bentley Productions / ITV
 Featuring Neil Dudgeon, Jason Hughes, Fiona Dolman

JULIUS CAESAR

Film for Television

Director Gregory Doran
 Producer John Wyver
 Production Co. Illuminations / BBC 4 / RSC
 Featuring Jeffery Kissoon, Patterson Joseph, Cyril Nri

MIDSOMER MURDERS XIV 3 x 120' Mystery Drama Series	Directors Producer Production Co. Featuring	Renny Rye, Nick Laughland Brian True-May, Exec. Producer Delia Fine Bentley Productions / ITV Neil Dudgeon, Jason Hughes, Fiona Dolman, Holly Aird, Robert Pugh, Joanna David
WAKING THE DEAD IX 2 x 1hr Crime Mystery Drama Series	Director Producer Exec. Producers Production Co. Featuring	Ed Bennett Colin Wratten Susan Hogg, Anne Pivcevic, Patrick Spence BBC Trevor Eve, Sue Johnston, Tara Fitzgerald, Alice Krige
INSPECTOR LEWIS IV 1 x 90' Crime Mystery Drama Series	Director Producer Exec. Producers Production Co. Featuring	Dan Reed Chris Burt Michele Buck, Damien Timmer ITV Studios Kevin Whately, Laurence Fox, Tim West, Nicholas Farrell, Alan Davies, Rebecca Front
WAKING THE DEAD VIII 2 x 1hr Crime Mystery Drama Series	Director Producer Exec. Producers Production Co. Featuring:	Dan Reed Colin Wratten Susan Hogg, Anne Pivcevic, Patrick Spence BBC Trevor Eve, Sue Johnston, Tara Fitzgerald, Will Johnson, Michele Dockery, Rory Kinnear
WAKING THE DEAD VII 4 x 1hr Crime Mystery Drama Series	Directors Exec. Producers Production Co. Featuring:	Robert Bierman, Sam Miller, Producer Colin Wratten Susan Hogg, Anne Pivcevic, Patrick Spence BBC Trevor Eve, Sue Johnston, Tara Fitzgerald, Will Johnson, Rupert Graves, Nicholas Farrell
PARTY ANIMALS 2 x 1hr Drama Series	Director Producer Production Co. Featuring:	Niall MacCormick Eleanor Greene, Exec. Prod. Simon Heath World Productions / BBC Andrea Riseborough, Matt Smith, Andrew Buchan, Shelley Conn, Patrick Baladi

Nominated Broadcasting Press Guild Award Best Drama Series

BERRY'S WAY 1 x 1hr Comedy Drama Film for Television	Director Producer Production Co. Featuring:	Metin Huseyn Sue Howells Tiger Aspect / BBC Lenny Henry
WAKING THE DEAD VI 2 x 1hr Crime Mystery Drama Series	Director Producer Production Co. Featuring:	Robert Bierman Colin Wratten BBC Trevor Eve, Sue Johnston, Tara Fitzgerald, Wil Johnson, Peter Capaldi
BAD GIRLS VII 4 x 1hr Crime Drama Series	Directors Producer Production Co.	Barnaby Southcombe, Laurence Moody Sharon Houlihan Shed Productions / ITV
FOOTBALLERS WIVES V 3 x 1hr, 1 x 90' Drama Series	Directors Producer Exec. Producers Production Co.	Jim Loach, Martin Hutchings Cameron Roach Eileen Gallagher, Brian Park, Ann McManus, Maureen Chadwick Shed Productions / ITV
BAD GIRLS VII 1 x 90' Crime Drama Series	Director Producer Production Co.	Jim Loach Rachel Snell Shed Productions / ITV
BOMBSHELL 4 x 1hr, 1 x 90' Military Drama	Directors Producers Production Co. Featuring:	Jim Loach, Martin Hutchings Brian Park, Ben Stephenson Shed Productions / ITV Lucy Cohu, Zoe Lucker, Jeremy Sheffield
THE QUEEN'S NOSE VII 6 x 1hr Children's Comedy Drama Series	Director Producers Production Co.	David Skynner Clive Parsons, Davina Belling Film & General / BBC

WICKHAM ROAD

1 x 85' Feature Film

Director / Prod. Oliver Nash
Production Co. Northiam Films Ltd.**Nominated Raindance Festival Best UK Independent Feature****THE BILL**

Contemporary TV Drama Series

Directors Declan O'Dwyer, Reza Moradi,
Simon Massey, Indra Bhose, Richard Signy,
Bob Bierman, Henry Klejdys
Producers James Hall, Sylvie Boden, Andrea Sapsford,
Kevin Rundle, Brigit Goodman, Lis Steele,
Tim Key, Chris Richards
Production Co. Talkback Thames / ITV**National TV Awards Most Popular Drama****BAD GIRLS V**

6 x 1hr Crime Drama Series

Directors AJ Quinn, Lawrence Moody
Producer David Creen
Production Co. Shed Productions / ITV**FOOTBALLERS WIVES II**

2 x 1hr Drama Series

Director Craig Lines
Producer Claire Phillips
Production Co. Shed Productions / ITV**THE QUEEN'S NOSE VI**

6 x 1hr Children's SFX Drama Series

Director David Skynner
Producers Clive Parsons, Davina Belling
Production Co. Film & General / BBC**BAD GIRLS IV**

6 x 1hr Crime Drama Series

Directors Brett Fallis, David Holroyd, Jim O'Hanlon
Producer Claire Phillips
Production Co. Shed Productions / ITV**THE QUEEN NOSE V**

6 x 1hr Children's SFX Drama Series

Director Carol Wiseman
Producers Clive Parsons, Davina Belling
Production Co. Film & General / BBC**DREAM TEAM IV**

26 x 1hr Drama Series

Locations: Ireland, Dublin & London

Directors Craig Lines, Ann Owen, Henry Foster, Neil Adams
Producer John Salthouse
Production Co. Hewland International / Sky**THE FEAR**

9 x ½hr Horror Drama Series

Directors Luke Watson, Blake Bedford
Producer Anne Mensah
Production Co. Noel Gay Productions / BBC
Featuring: Ray Winstone Anna Friel, Nick Moran, Sean Pertwee,
Sadie Frost, Jason Flemyng**COUNTY KILBURN**

Comedy Drama Feature

Director Elliot Hegarty, Magnus Macintyre
Producer Nick Heyworth
Production Co. Radical Media / Watermark Films**HOLBY CITY**

4 x 1hr Medical Drama

Director David Innes Edwards
Producers Simon Harper, Jane Wallbank
Production Co. BBC**COMMERCIALS: NUROFEN** (Dir. Mike Bigelow, Prod. Matthew Campion), **COASTGUARD RNLI** (Dir. Frank Prendergrast, Prod. John Ross), **EURO 2000** (Dir. Jonathan Gerschfield, Prod. John Ross), **ANTI-BULLYING CAMPAIGN** (Dir. Frank Prendergrast, Prod. John Ross Prod. Co. COI Communications), **KELLOGS RICE CRISPY** (Dir. Marion Cavalli, Prod. Co. AKA Pizzaz)**SHORT FILMS: A CASK OF AMONTILLADO** (Dir. Mario Cavalli), **SOUL PATROL** (Dir.:Jeremy Wooding), **THE TRUTH ABOUT STANLEY** (Dir. Lucy Tcherniak, Prod. Tom Clark), **ENDEAVOUR** (Dir.:Geoffrey Sax)**DAILIES: ENDEAVOUR** (Dir. Geoff Sax), **POIROT "Elephants can Remember"** Dir. John Strickland, **SILK II**, **HUSTLE I**, **SILENT WITNESS**, **OUTNUMBERED II**, **DREAM TEAM II & III**

"Kristian Dench is a 1st Assistant with everything. Over six episodes of Da Vinci's Demons Season 3, he demonstrated not only exceptional core skills in scheduling and running the floor but made significant contributions to production and talent management. He is a calm, dynamic presence on set, creating a disciplined and creative environment that is structured yet flexible. He combines great professionalism with considerable charm and is always responsive and informed; the complete package".

Producer Matthew Bouch

"Kristian is a Kristian never a Chris. He's dedicated, focused and clear in his instructions, organised and good at scheduling. But most of all he has great people skills and a sense of humour. On the floor he has a gentle and persuasive command. He is very courteous of the crew and cast and both respond with trust and efficiency. We have an artist who is on every day and in every scene. He totally protects her and her space allowing her to get through really tough days without any loss to her performance. He moves the day through and liaises very precisely with camera and director to make sure coverage is got and the days are completed. Most importantly as well is that he understands the requirement to include and communicate with production at all moments of the shooting day. Generally very good egg (and that's nothing to do with his head)!" **Producer Grainne Marmion** Cont.

“Just finished my second job with Kristian and look forward to the next one. Extremely efficient in a most unobtrusive way. Creates only positive mood on the set (not a shouter) and the feeling that everything is possible. No anxiety communicated. He has firm grasp of the script and is sensitive to visual possibilities. Scheduling genius, and a really nice guy.”

Director Thaddeus O’Sullivan

“Delighted to have Kristian back with the VERA team again. He has a positive, professional attitude and is a delight to work with. He has always had full commitment to the production and the director and creates a happy, calm atmosphere on set. One of our favourites.” **Producer Margaret Mitchell**

“Kristian is one of the best 1st AD’s I have worked with. He is eminently practical in his approach to scheduling, but it is his ambition for the piece and his own personal creativity that makes him stand out. Cool headed, hugely likeable and much liked, Kristian is an intelligent, modern 1st AD and I would recommend him to any director.”

Producer Elaine Cameron

“A good communicator, calm and assured on set and maintains a very positive atmosphere for both cast and crew. In prep I was impressed by his eye for detail. And his willingness to ensure that the schedule supports the story in the every way lays a fine set of foundations for a successful project. I really enjoyed working with Kristian and look forward to working together again.” **Director Ed Bazalgette**

“I enjoyed working with Kristian; it was a very positive experience. He’s very organised, committed and had a good rapport with the crew & artists. I would certainly recommend him and would definitely choose to work with him again.”

Line Producer Helga Dowie

“I’m more grateful than I can properly say for everything that you have contributed...It’s been completely brilliant working with you - and I have a deep appreciation and respect for how you prepared and then drove the whole process forward against an almost absurdly ambitious schedule. It’s testimony to your achievement that we finished just 10 minutes early with everything we wanted in the can and material of exceptional quality. Thank you. It’s also been a lot of fun.”

Producer John Wyver

“Kristian is a joy to work with, a calm, charming and resourceful First and an intelligent ally who retains a strong instinct for a director’s priorities whilst whipping along the schedule with good-humoured dynamism”

Director Dan Reed.

“I have worked with Kristian on many projects. He works well with both cast and crew and manages to keep the floor focused at all times. I have never felt I am being rushed on the production floor as Kristian’s detailed work in preparing schedules means the right amount of time has been allocated during the shooting day. His communication skills, to both heads of department, and production ensure budgets are not compromised. He is diligent, energetic, hard working to the core. I would wholeheartedly recommend him for any project you may be considering him for.”

Director Simon Massey

“Kristian is one of my favourite 1sts. He is highly organised, efficient, stays calm in those stressful moments on set and, above all, is bright and good company, I would recommend him to anyone.”

Director Renny Rye

“Kristian is an experienced 1st Asst. Director with a sensible, practical attitude to scheduling and a firm but friendly and relaxed manner with a cast and crew. I first worked with Kristian on series VI of BBC Waking The Dead and was impressed by his calm and no nonsense approach to number of challenging and complicated situations. When I was setting up subsequent series of the production, Kristian was one of first choices of 1st AD to return to the show. On a personal level I’ve always got on well with Kristian, I’ve enjoyed the occasions we’ve worked together and hope we will again in the future.”

Line Producer Chris Ballantyne

NATIONALITY:

British

LANGUAGES:

Spanish (working knowledge), French (basic)

COUNTRIES WORKED IN:

France, Ireland