

MARK RUSSELL

COMPOSER

Mark's most recent projects include **The Worst Witch** co-produced by the BBC, ZDF and Netflix, two series of Disney's **The Evermoor Chronicles**, **Castles In The Sky**, a BBC film starring Eddie Izzard and Laura Fraser, the recent season of the BBC mini-series **Rocket's Island**, series 6 & 7 of the BBC's **Inspector George Gently**, and series 10 to 13 of the long running hit genealogy documentary **Who Do You Think You Are**. Prior to this Mark created a wonderfully inventive and dynamic score for the high concept conspiracy thriller feature, **Event 15** from Ipso Facto Films, as well as Kindle Entertainment's very popular, **The Life and Adventures of Nick Nickleby** for the BBC. Mark composed a beautifully touching score for the BBC's **Best Of Men**, (for which he was nominated for an **RTS Award for Best Music 2012**), which told the incredible story of the founding of the Paralympics - starring Eddie Marsan, Rob Brydon and Niamh Cusack. Mark's score for the hugely successful Kindle Entertainment series **Leonardo**, gained him a nomination for best TV music at 2012's **Ivor Novello Awards** and won him the award for **Best Music at the Kidscreen New York 2012 Awards**.

Mark's first drama work included his BAFTA nominated score to the hugely popular ITV series '**Cold Feet**'. His music for the Fine Line Movie '**Saving Grace**' (a US Top Ten Hit) brought him attention on both sides of the Atlantic, and his soundtracks for two big budget Movies, '**Summer Things**' (starring Charlotte Rampling) and '**L'ex Femme de Ma Vie**' (including a title song with Jane Birkin) introduced him into the rarified world of French Film. He's an extremely experienced dramatic composer equally at home with the Orchestra or with cutting edge electronics and samples. He works from his purpose built studio in Oxford.

Mark was a boy chorister at St Paul's Cathedral and went on to read music at York University. As a session keyboard player he toured the world with *Tanita Tikaram*, *Julia Fordham* and the Chinese flautist, *Guo Yue*. After composing for many film and TV Commercials, Mark went on to score documentaries and dramas, including '**Spiderman**' for Radio 1 in collaboration with Queen guitarist *Brian May*.

Mark scored 3 series of **Kingdom** for Parallel Pictures/ITV, starring Stephen Fry as a Norfolk solicitor. Further projects include **Reunited** for BBC1 and **Love At First Sight**, a short film starring John Hurt and Phyllida Law. Mark most recently completed scoring **March Of The Dinosaurs**, an epic CGI feature from Wide-Eyed Entertainment, the makers of **Walking With Dinosaurs**, and **Leonardo** for Kindle Entertainment/CBBC.

For the summer of 2007, Mark relocated to Los Angeles to work with Rupert Gregson-Williams on Jerry Seinfeld's Dreamworks animation, '**Bee Movie**'. He then went onto score Andrew Lang's award-winning feature, **Sons Of Cuba**.

Aside from composing, Mark has written an acclaimed book '*Film Music*' (published by Rotovision), and for 17 years co-presented BBC Radio 3's cult eclectic weekly music show '*Mixing It*'. The show reflected his wide musical interests; everything from Medieval to the latest electronic/jazz/rock sounds.

FEATURE FILM

EVENT 15

Ipso Facto Films
Director: Matthew Thompson
Producers: Christine Alderson, Thomas Sterchi, Lars Wiebe
Starring: Jennifer Morrison , James Frain,

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

Spellbound Films
Director: Michael Davies
Producer: Sandra Gorel
Starring: John Hurt, Phyllida Law

*****Winner Best Short Film: Soho Rushes Festival 2011***
Winner Best Short Film: RTS Awards 2011**

SONS OF CUBA

Trinamite Productions / Windfall Films
Director: Andrew Lang
Producers: Andrew Lang, Laura Giles, Francine Heywood

WHAT'S VIRGIN MEAN?

Spellbound Films / Michael Davies Films
Director: Michael Davies
Producer: Sandra Gorel

BEE MOVIE

(Composer - Additional Music)

Dreamworks / Paramount Pictures
Director: Steve Hickner, Simon J Smith
Producer: Jerry Seinfeld, Christina Steinberg
Starring: Jerry Seinfeld, Renee Zellweger

L'EX-FEMME DE MA VIE

Warner Bros France/Ice 3
Director: Josiane Balasko
Producer: Josiane Balasko, Louis Becker
Starring: Thierry Lhermitte, Karin Viard, Josiane Balasko

SAVING GRACE

Fine Line
Director: Nigel Cole
Producer: Mark Crowdy
Starring: Brenda Blethyn, Craig Ferguson, Martin Clunes

****Sundance Film Festival Winner 2000****

EMBRASSEZ QUI VOUS VOUDREZ (SUMMER THINGS)

UGC/Dan Films
Director: Michel Blanc
Producer: Yves Marmion, Julie Baynes
Starring: Charlotte Rampling, Michel Blanc, Carole Bouquet, Karin Viard

TELEVISION DRAMA

THE WORST WITCH

BBC / ZDF / Netflix
Director: Brian Grant
Producer: Lucy Martin

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| THE EVERMOOR CHRONICLES | Disney Directors: Chris Cottam, Jordan Hogg, Rebecca Rycroft, Graeme Harper, Steve Hughes, Paul Cotter, Patrick Harkins, Sarah Walker Producer: Tim Compton |
| CASTLES IN THE SKY | Black Camel Pictures / Hero Productions / BBC Directors: Gillies Mackinnon Producer: Simon Wheeler Starring: Eddie Izzard, Laura Frazer, Julian Rhind-Tutt, David Hayman |
| ROCKET'S ISLAND | Isle Of Man Films / Lime Pictures / BBC Directors: Dirk Campbell Producer: Lucy Martin |
| INSPECTOR GEORGE GENTLY Series 6 and 7 | BBC / Company Pictures Director: Ben Bolt, Tim Whitby Producer: Matthew Bird, Peter Norris Starring: Martin Shaw |
| BEST OF MEN | Whitby Davison Prods / BBC Directors: Tim Whitby Producer: Harriet Davison Starring: Eddie Marsan, Rob Brydon, Niamh Cusack |
| LEONARDO Series I & II | Kindle Entertainment / CBBC Directors: Beryl Richards, Luke Watson Producer: Bernard Kricheski Executive Producers: Anne Brogan, Melanie Stokes, Sue Nott Starring: Alistair McGowan **Ivor Novello Award Nomination: Best TV Music** **Kidscreen New York 2012: Best Music** |
| THE LIFE AND ADVENTURES OF NICK NICKLEBY | Kindle Entertainment / BBC Directors: David Innes Edwards Producer: Susan Breen Starring: Andrew Simpson, Adrian Dunbar |
| MARCH OF THE DINOSAURS | Wide-Eyed Entertainment Director: Matthew Thompson Executive Producer: Jasper James |
| REUNITED | BBC Director: Simon Delaney Producers: Rosemary McGowan, Mike Bullen |
| CORONATION STREET: OUT OF AFRICA | ITV Director: Duncan Foster Producer: Gavin Blyth Executive Producer: Kieran Roberts |
| BAD MOTHER'S HANDBOOK | Ruby Films Director: Robin Sheppard Producer: Alison Own, Harry Oulton Starring: Catherine Tate, Anna Read |

BONKERS

Line Pictures / ITV
Director: Juliet May, Jim Doyle, Ron Evans
Producer: Hugh Warren
Starring: Liza Tarbuck

KINGDOM

Series 1, 2 & 3

Parallel Productions / ITV
Director: Robin Sheppard, Metin Husseyin, Sandy Johnson
Producer: Georgina Lowe, Simon Wheeler
Starring: Stephen Fry, Hermione Norris, Tony Slattery,
Celia Imrie

ANGEL CAKE

Celador Productions
Director: Simon Delaney
Producer: Stephen Garwood
Starring: Sarah Lancashire, Rita Tushingham

ALL ABOUT GEORGE

Granada
Director: Euros Lyn, Jeremy Webb
Producer: Lucy Bedford
Starring Rik Mayall

CHERISHED

BBC
Director: Robin Sheppard
Producer: Polly Hill
Starring: Timothy Spall, Sarah Lancashire

MURDER CITY

Series 1 & 2

Granada
10 x 90
Directors: Richard Spence, Ian Knox, Sam Miller
Producers: Francis Hopkinson, Mark Hudson
Starring: Amanda Donahoe, Kris Marshall

DONOVAN

Series 1 & 2

Granada
5 x 90
Directors: Simon Delaney, Keiran Donnelly
Producer: Spencer Campbell
Starring: Tom Conti, Samantha Bond

ROSE & MALONEY

Series 1

Company Pictures
6 x 60
Directors: Ferdinand Fairfax, Roger Gartland,
Andrew Grieve
Producer: Catherine Wearing
Starring: Sarah Lancashire, Phil Davis

BETWEEN THE SHEETS

Yorkshire TV
6 x 60
Directors: Robin Sheppard, Jane Prowse
Producers: Yvonne Francas, Kay Mellor
Starring: Brenda Blethyn, Alun Armstrong, Julie Graham

THE RETURN

Sally Head Productions/ITV
1 x 90
Director: Dermot Boyd
Producer: Keith Thompson
Starring: Julie Walter

EUSTACE BROS

Series 2

BBC

6 x 60

Directors: David Innes-Edwards, Rob Evans

Producer: Polly Hill

Starring: Neil Morrissey, Ralf Little

COLD FEET

5 Series

Granada/ITV

27 x 60 & 5 x 90

Directors: Declan Lowney, Mark Mylod, Nigel Cole,

Tom Hooper, Tom Vaughan, Pete Travis, Simon

Delaney, John Jones, Tim Whitby, Ciaran Donnelly

Tim Sullivan

Producers: Christine Langan, Spencer Campbell

Andy Harries

Starring: Helen Baxendale, James Nesbitt, Faye Ripley

****2001 BAFTA Nomination******PLAYING THE FIELD**

3 series

Tiger Aspect/BBC

20 x 60

Directors: Dermot Boyd, David Innes-Edwards,

Alrick Riley

Producers: Kathleen Hutchison, Liz Steele,

Greg Brenman

LUCKY JIM

Working Title TV, ITV, WGBH Boston/Universal TV

Director: Robin Sheppard

Producer: Sanne Craddick

Starring: Stephen Tomkinson, Keely Hawes, Robert

Hardy, Dennis Lawson

FAT FRIENDS

Series 2

Tiger Aspect/Yorkshire TV

7 x 60

Directors: Dan Zeff, Audrey Cook, Tanya Diez

Producers: Yvonne Francas, Kay Mellor

Starring: Alison Steadman

PASSION KILLERS

Granada TV/ITV

Director: David Evans

Producer: Christine Langan

Starring: Ben Miller

WONDERFUL YOU

Hartwood/ITV

7 x 60

Director: Matt Lipsey

Producers: Beryl Vertue, Elaine Cameron

Starring: Greg Wise

THE PRINCE OF ATLANTIS

BBC Children's TV/Ravensburger TV/Canal Plus

Computer animation series 26 x 30

Producer: Theresa Plummer-Andrews

IS IT LEGAL

Hartwood TV/ITV

Producer: Beryl Vertue

Starring Imelda Staunton

MEN BEHAVING BADLY

Hartwood TV

Producer: Beryl Vertue

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| THE PETER PRINCIPLE | Hat Trick TV/BBC Written by Mark Burton, John O'Farrell Starring: Jim Broadbent |
| THE BILL | 1997 - 2002 - Theme Music & Stings Producer: Richard Haniford |
| STYLE CHALLENGE | BBC1 |

DOCUMENTARIES

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| WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE (series 10 - 13) | Wall To Wall/BBC Director: Tom McCarthy, Leo Burley, Elizabeth Dobson, Sarah Feltes, Mary Cranitch Producer: Jonathan Hewes, Alex Graham, Colette Flight |
| OFFICERS & GENTLEMEN | Hartwood TV/BBC Director: Michael Davies Producer: Beryl Vertue |
| THE RED BARON | Hartwood TV/BBC Director: Michael Davies Producer: Beryl Vertue |
| GOING TO CHELSEA | Hartwood TV/BBC Director: Michael Davies Producer: Beryl Vertue |
| IN LOVE WITH ELIZABETH | Hartwood TV/BBC Director: Michael Davies Producer: Beryl Vertue |
| WILD DOGS | BBC Bristol - Wildlife Showcase |
| QED - CHALLENGING CHILDREN | BBC |
| DISPATCHES: THE MARCHIONESS TRAGEDY | Channel 4 |
| A HORSE'S WORLD | Wall To Wall TV/Channel 4 |
| MUSIC FOR THE MILLENIUM | Channel 4 Producer: Mike Lerner |
| SECRET BUILDINGS | Channel 4 Producer: Mike Lerner |
| FRAGILE EARTH - EXXON VALDEZ | Channel 4 |

RADIO DRAMA

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| BATMAN | 65 part Audio Film also on BBC CD/Cassette |
| SUPERMAN | 65 part Audio Film also on BBC CD/Cassette |
| SPIDERMAN | 50 part Audio Film also on BBC CD/Cassette (composed with Brian May) |
| INDEPENDENCE DAY | 60 min drama for Radio 1 ('The Mark Goodier Show') Written and directed by Dirk Maggs |