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## **Film and television projects**

### **PRODUCER/DIRECTOR**

**:: Boycotts and Broken Dreams: The Story Of The 1986 Commonwealth Games ::**

*Factual documentary | 2014 | 60mins | BBC Scotland*

### **PRODUCER**

**:: Rewind 1990s ::**

*4 x 30min archive television series about the 1990s for BBC Scotland's new digital television channel, incorporating news, entertainment, comedy, drama and music.*

**:: Scotland's Game ::**

*Social history of Scottish football documentary series | 2016 | 4 x 60mins | BBC Scotland*

**Winner:** *RTS Scotland Award Best Sport Programme, Celtic Media Award Best Factual Series.*

<https://vimeo.com/239813780>

**:: Football Abuse: The Ugly Side of The Beautiful Game ::**

*Current Affairs Investigative documentary | 2017 | 60mins | BBC Scotland*

**Winner:** *RTS Scotland Award 2018: Best Current Affairs Programme*

<https://vimeo.com/243528449>

**:: 2014: Scotland's Historic Year ::**

*Current Affairs documentary | 2014 | 60mins | BBC Scotland*

**:: Spores ::**

*Short drama film | 2015 | 15mins | The Copydesk/Little Viking*

**:: Gorta ::**

*Short supernatural drama film | 2013 | 15mins | The Copydesk/Hellbent Films*

<https://vimeo.com/68437135>

### **ASSISTANT PRODUCER**

**:: Rangers: The Men Who Sold The Jerseys ::**

*Current Affairs documentary | 2012 | 60mins | BBC Scotland*

**Winner:** *Scottish Bafta - Best Current Affairs, AFP Best Current Affairs*

**:: Sins of Our Fathers ::**

*Current Affairs Investigative Documentary | 2013 | 60mins | BBC Scotland*

**Winner:** *Scottish Bafta - Best Current Affairs, AFP Best Current Affairs, RTS Best Current Affairs, RTS Scotland Best News Story*

**:: Special Olympics: Scottish Stories ::**

*Factual documentary | 2 x 30mins | BBC Scotland*

*Three-week production in Shanghai following five Scottish Special athletes at the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games*

WRITER

**:: Shadow ::**

*Short drama film | 2011 | BBC Scotland*

<https://vimeo.com/229105217>

**:: Gorta ::**

*Short supernatural drama film | 2013 | 15mins | The Copydesk/Hellbent Films*

<https://vimeo.com/68437135>

OTHER PRODUCTIONS

Various music videos produced and directed for Scottish mod band *Button Up*, *Toy Tin Soldier* and Portland-based singer/songwriter *NIAMH*.

EMPLOYMENT

**Producer** — *BBC Scotland*

*01/11/1999 to Present*

*Television, radio and online production in BBC Current Affairs, BBC Sport Scotland and BBC Entertainment.*

PERSONAL STATEMENT

In 2015 I produced on the multi-award winning four-part television series *Scotland's Game*, about the social history of Scottish football from 1986-2016. This involved intensive archive research, managing a large production budget, script writing, producing and directing interviews/sequence material on location and edit-producing the finished programme through to broadcast. Then in 2017, I produced *Football Abuse: The Ugly Side of The Beautiful Game*, a 60-minute documentary investigating historical child sexual abuse in Scottish football, which won the RTS Scotland Award for Best Current Affairs. In 2019, I produced the archive series *Rewind* for BBC Scotland's new digital television channel, incorporating news, comedy, drama and entertainment from the 1990s.

In 2014, I produced and directed *Boycotts and Broken Dreams - The Story of the 1986 Commonwealth Games*, an acclaimed 60-minute television documentary for BBC Scotland about the financial and political calamity that engulfed the 1986 Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh.

In 2012, I worked as an assistant producer on the BAFTA Scotland award-winning documentary *Rangers: The Men Who Sold The Jerseys*, a one-hour investigation on the financial collapse of Rangers Football Club. One year later, I worked in the same role on *Sins of Our Fathers*, a one-hour documentary exposing historical sexual abuse in the Catholic Church.

Since 2006, I have worked extensively with the BBC Sport Scotland department as a producer and journalist and now work as a producer with BBC Scotland's entertainment department. I also have extensive experience as a broadcaster, and I write, produce and direct short films, video profiles and music videos.

Career highlights include the short drama film *Shadow* for the BBC in 2011 and the independent drama short *Spores* in 2015, which was written and directed by Frances and Richard Poet and starred Maureen

Beattie and Lorraine McIntosh. I am currently developing the sci-fi feature drama *White Eyes* with the Poets through the support of the Scottish Film Talent Network.

I have written graphic novels, and, in 2011, I won the *Best Writer* and *Best Graphic Novel* awards at the Scottish Independent Comic Book Awards for *Burke & Hare*, illustrated by Will Pickering.