

Stefan Otto – DOP/Cameraman



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Really creative and cinematic camera operator. Great with contributors too, and a delightful team-member to have with you on location.
James Mair, Director/Producer /Edit Producer

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About me...

Highly experienced cameraman with proven track record of delivering creatively shot broadcast programmes over the past 15 years. Comfortable working in any sized team shooting on any format, always happy to embrace new technology and to explore new ways to make any content interesting to look at on screen.

I started working in the industry in 1993 as a runner then lighting console operator at one of the biggest TV Studios in London (Fountain Television), before leaving to join one of the smallest in the UK (Channel Television) to train as a cameraman and VT editor. I went freelance in 2001 back on "the mainland" and still love the fun, challenges and unpredictability the job brings as much now as I did when I started out.



I've worked with Stef across many factual shows including Countryfile, Gardeners' World and a number of BBC Learning projects. All us PD's have 'our favourites' and Stef is one of mine. A superb camera guy in a wide variety of shooting situations and styles. He also places great emphasis on knowing the story and shooting for a good edit. His polecam work is also exceptional. He's an all round good egg... Whoever the presenter or contributors, Stef will quickly establish a good rapport with them to help you get the best out of those on screen.

Andrew Painten, Producer/Director

I've had the chance to work on some fantastic projects during my career, covering anything from light entertainment, documentaries, major sporting events, corporates to news delivering to national and global audiences. I come equipped with full EFP HD kit, and 6 years ago invested in a polecam jib for that extra production value - see short promo below. Polecam can either be provided as a cost effective add-on to a shoot, or I can be hired standalone as an owner/operator. I also specialise in boat-to-boat filming and helicopter aerials, mainly from shooting professional sailing events.

Director Of Photography	Countryfile	BBC 1	BBC	JUL 09 - TO PRESENT
Lighting Cameraperson	Springwatch in Japan: It's Cherry Blossom Time	BBC 1	BBC Bristol	MAR 17 - MAR 17
Director Of Photography	Cruising with Jane McDonald	Channel 5	Channel 5	JUN 16 - JUN 17
Camera Operator	Antiques Roadshow	BBC 1	BBC	JUN 17 - TO PRESENT
Lighting Cameraperson	The One Show - Science and History Inserts	BBC 1	BBC	NOV 16 - NOV 16
Polecam Operator	DIY SOS - The Big Build	BBC 1	BBC	JUN 16 - JUN 16
Camera Operator	Henley Rowing Regatta Live OB	BT Sport	Sunset & Vine	JUN 16 - JUL 16
Camera Operator	Coast	BBC 1	BBC	AUG 11 - JUN 14
Director Of Photography	Navin Kundra "Tear it Up" Music video	Online	VTV	JUL 16 - JUL 16
Polecam Operator	The Houses That Made Jane Austen (working title)	BBC 2	BBC	JUL 16 - JUL 16
Lighting Cameraperson	Children In Need	BBC 1	BBC	AUG 16 - AUG 16
Camera Operator	Goodwood Revival	ITV4	Aurora	SEP 16 - SEP 16
Director Of Photography	Big British Wildlife Revival	BBC 1	Outline Productions Ltd	OCT 12 - JUN 13
Camera Operator	Love your garden with Alan Titchmarsh	ITV1	Spun Gold	MAR 15 - JUL 15
Director Of Photography	National Lottery Stars	BBC 1	BBC Bristol	SEP 16 - SEP 16
Polecam Operator	The One Show	BBC 1	BBC Entertainment	JUN 16 - JUN 16
Director Of Photography	Alcatraz "Mean it" Music video	Online	VTV	FEB 16 - FEB 16
Producer/Director	Intel		Intel	JAN 12 - TO PRESENT
Polecam Operator	Gardeners' World	BBC 2	BBC	MAR 15 - TO PRESENT
Camera Operator	Capability Found	Channel 4	Spun Gold	JUN 15 - JUN 15
Lighting Cameraperson	Watchdog	BBC 1	BBC Factual London	MAR 12 - TO PRESENT
Polecam Operator	Chelsea Flower Show	BBC 2	BBC	MAY 14 - TO

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Lighting Cameraperson	RICHARD WILSON ON THE ROAD	ITV1	Curve Media Ltd	APR 14 - JUN 14
Camera Operator	A League of Their Own	Sky1	CPL Productions	MAR 12 - MAR 12
Camera Operator	Flog It!	BBC 1	BBC	OCT 16 - OCT 16
Camera Operator	Hampton Court Flower Show	BBC 1	BBC	JUL 14 - JUL 14
Lighting Cameraperson	Points of View	BBC 1	BBC	MAY 11 - JAN 15
Lighting Cameraperson	Vodafone Commercial		Wing	APR 13 - APR 13
Lighting Cameraperson	Inside Out	BBC 1	BBC	SEP 12 - OCT 17
Lighting Cameraperson	The Martin Lewis Money (Road) Show	ITV1	Shiver	NOV 13 - NOV 13
Camera Operator	Olympic Broadcasting		Sky TV NZ	JUN 12 - JUL 12
Lighting Cameraperson	BBC Learning Zone		BBC Learning	JAN 13 - TO PRESENT
Camera Operator	Racing Rivals	Channel 4	4D Productions	APR 09 - JUL 09
Director	Cambridge 800		Events Unlimited	MAY 09 - JUL 09
Lighting Cameraperson	The Sky at Night	BBC 2	BBC	OCT 09 - OCT 10

I enjoy shooting factual entertainment programmes and also particularly keen to be given new opportunities to expand further into music promos, OB work and drama

www.vimeo.com/ottoproductions/polecampromo

Other examples of work can be seen at www.vimeo.com/ottoproductions/stefottoshowreel
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Further credits/online resumes/booking...

<https://www.thetalentmanager.co.uk/talent/51634/stef-otto>
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<http://www.imdb.me/stefotto>

I've worked with Stef for over a decade now. Hard working, diligent, creative and good to work with. His polecam work is very good and precise. I would recommend him wholeheartedly and look forward to our continued relationship.
Paul Davidson Producer / Director

Professional experience...

Jan 2001
Present

Freelance DOP/Cameraman

I'm located near Andover in Hampshire near good road links to anywhere, and I frequently travel anywhere - both nationally and internationally!

Nov 1998
Dec 2000

Meridian Broadcast Ltd, VTEditor/Cameraman

Jan 1995
Oct 1998

Channel Television, Technician

Oct 1993
Dec 1994

Fountain Television, Studio Assistant/lightingelectrician