
RUPERT GRIMSHAW

PROFILE

Okay so here comes the sales pitch. First of all I'm a really nice bloke, like *really* nice. I grew up in Bolton, made the short hop to South Manchester ten years ago and have felt at home ever since.

I love music, primarily 'sad dad rock' like The National and I play guitar in a band. I have a mild obsession with cricket and have just started playing golf (terribly). I'm also a huge audiophile; *BBC 5 Live*, *6 Music* and a range of *The Athletic* podcasts take up most of my free time when I'm not listening to music.

EXPERIENCE

DIRECTOR, EIGHT ENGINES — 2021 - PRESENT

During my time at Eight Engines I have directed video campaigns for a range of organisations such as *Transport for Greater Manchester*, *The Boys' Brigade* and *The Trafford Centre*. At the heart of all of these projects has been the need to work collaboratively with the client in order to find a story or message and then lead a film crew in order to produce an engaging series of videos. I have also been responsible for scriptwriting and copywriting for a variety of projects.

My experience has also extended into helping run the business. As the company is just a team of six I have become involved in operational and marketing roles such as: creating our marketing assets and social media posts, managing the relationship with our SEO team, writing content for our website and attending networking events. I have also taken the lead on writing tenders; this year my bid for Eight Engines to be a framework supplier with Transport for Greater Manchester was accepted with a 95% score - something I'm personally very proud of.

LUXURY TRAVEL CONCIERGE, FIRST CLASS HOLIDAYS — 2017 - 2021

I began working at First Class Holidays as a Reservation Specialist and was eventually given my own Concierge department in which I managed the sales and after-sales process of bookings for High Net Worth Individuals. This role demanded close attention to detail as I frequently built in-depth itineraries that lasted up to two months.

CUSTOMER CONTACT ADVISOR, BRITISH AIRWAYS — 2015 - 2017

As a contact advisor for British Airways' Executive Club I became trained in air travel booking systems and developed a patient, empathetic phone manner when dealing with the airline's most frequent travellers. I developed a thick skin too.

FREELANCE FILM/TV LOCATION ASSISTANT — 2012 - 2015

Working in the location department for various feature films and high-end TV dramas I acted as a liaison between the film crew and local residents/business owners while also managing the logistics of the filming for each location we shot in.

During this time I was lucky to work for the likes of the *BBC*, *ITV*, *Disney* and *Red Productions*.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL, ANCIENT HISTORY 2010 - 2012

RUNSHAW COLLEGE - 4 A-LEVELS:

HISTORY - A

MATHS - B

ENGLISH LANGUAGE - B

MUSIC TECHNOLOGY - B

SKILLS

- Skilled location sound recordist with experience using a Zoom F8n mixer while also boom operating.
- Experienced with much of Adobe's creative suite: Premiere Pro, Audition, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign.
- 3 year First Aid Certificate - 05/2023
- Full clean driver's license.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST