# Helen Mandt Chew – Offline Film Editor

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Emmy and RTS Award winning editor with over 30 years experience in Broadcast Network Television.

An editor who has worked on a wide genre of projects, delivering high quality programmes.

I am an intuitive story teller, whether editing a documentary film or television series, I create compelling stories through the emotions, the highs and lows of the contributors and I also use the power of images to produce a riveting viewing.

I have an empathy with the the viewer, always looking at the film from their perspective.

And I work on the principle of "Never underestimate the intelligence of your audience, and never overestimate their knowledge."

# **AWARDS and NOMINATIONS**

RTS Award Winner and EMMY Award nominated for Editing Son Of God (series 3) 50 min BBC1 RTS Award Winner The Real John Lennon 90 min Channel 4 RTS Award Winner St Paul 60 min BBC1 EMMY Award Winner Life's Little Luxuries Uncovered 60 min Discovery Channel EMMY Award Winner Moses 50 min BBC2 & Discovery Channel RTS Award Winner Britain's Underworld 60 min National Geographic

BA (Hons) Film and Television - Manchester University (1980 -1983)

#### BBC Staff Film and Avid Editor (1983 - 2000) ITV Staff Avid Editor (2000 - 2009) Freelance Avid Offline /FCP Editor- (2009 to present)

# **Credits**

Bargain Loving Brits in the Sun Series 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 TX Jan 2022 60 mins

Channel 5



**RTS Nominated** Fly on the wall Ob Doc Brits swapping the damp and grey of the UK for a new cheap-as-chips life in the sun. This new Benidorm based observational documentary series charts the lives of Brits who have done exactly that. Caravan parks across the sunny Spanish coastal town are bursting at the seams with British ex-pats blinging up their statics, tarting up their tourers and tucking into tapas on the cheap. Local business owners slog 24/7 to make a profit in a town where two pints of lager cost just one euro.

<u>7UP & Me</u>

60 mins

ITV



To celebrate 63 UP, the latest instalment in TV's longest running documentary series, this 60-minute special features a range of famous faces watching the Up series and revealing its impact on them and the uniquely personal engagement they have with it as they compare the lives they've seen on screen every seven years to their own at each key stage from childhood and adolescence to early adulthood and middle age.



<u>Kelvin's Big Farming Adventure</u>

TX Jan 2022 30 mins

BBC 1



After playing a farmer in the soap opera Emmerdale for many years, actor Kelvin Fletcher has decided to become one in real life. Despite having no agricultural experience he and his family have quit city life and moved to a 120-acre farm but these rookies face a rocky road.

Britain's Underworld

RTS Winner

60 mins

Nat Geo Crime Channel



# ON NETFLIX

Manchester has seen a deadly battle played out on its streets, earning it the nickname 'Gunchester' in the eighties. This show features members of the mysterious Quality Street Gang who, for the first time, talk about how they once ruled the city's underworld and we reveal through drama reconstruction that one of the most lethal wars in gang history started with a row over a girl! Also find how the police fought a desperate battle to keep lawful control on Manchester's streets.

### Stacey Dooley Face to Face with Armagddon

Stacey Dooley Face to Face with Armageddon Should we all be making plans for the end of the world? In America, a movement of people called preppers are doing all they can to make sure they survive global disaster. Stacey spends time with three prepper communities who are gearing up for uncertain futures, with concerns ranging from civil unrest and nuclear war to climate change and natural disasters. Some have bought bunkers to escape to, others have isolated themselves from society. Stacey explores the reasons why they are going to such lengths to protect themselves. And she asks - should I be following their lead?

60 mins

# Panorama Exposed: Northern Dreams, Failed Schemes 40 mins BBC 1



When the government launched the Northern Powerhouse, the plan was to attract investment and improve infrastructure. But four years on, some of the big projects have failed. These high-profile property developments were marketed with great fanfare, and some were promoted and backed by local investors have lost millions and confidence in the north has been badly damaged. So what went wrong?

Panorama The Dark Side of Horse Racing

40 mins

BBC 1

BBC 3



Horse racing is one of the most popular and profitable sports, a £5 billion industry in the UK and Ireland followed by millions. Panorama reporter Darragh MacIntyre investigates what can happen to racehorses when their careers end. Panorama discovers that off the track, many horses suffer career-ending injuries, and rather than being rehabilitated or retrained for life outside the sport, race horses that have been owned and trained by some of the biggest

names in the industry have been put down, some meeting grisly deaths.

# Fiddles, Cheats and Scams Special

60 mins

ITV1



Fly-on-the-wall From the breathtakingly brazen benefit fraudsters to cunning and elaborate insurance

scams, Fiddles, Cheats and Scams reports on the lies and double dealing which

#### My Baggy Body

**RTS** Nominated

60 mins

Channel 4



Fly-on-the-wall *Ob Doc following the lives of three people, left with baggy* bodies' after massive weight loss, they reveal how they have lived with humongous amounts of excess skin and how they plan to say goodbye to their baggy skin and life after the op.

#### Dispatches How Safe Is Your Car?

60 min Channel 4



With new evidence indicating that some cars might not perform as well in crashes as their safety rating suggests, Dispatches investigates whether we can trust manufacturers and testers with car safety Following the car emissions scandal last year when some manufacturers admitted they manipulated the results of exhaust tests, reporter Morland Sanders investigates if we can trust manufacturers and testers with car safety. With new evidence that some cars might not perform as well in

real world crashes as their safety rating suggests, Dispatches asks: could

Million Dollar American Princesses

60 min

more be done to protect drivers and passengers?

Smithsonian Channel



Through vivid re-enactments, dramatic on-location filming, historical documents, interviews with notable family members, contributors and experts, Million Dollar American Princesses brings to life the stories of these extraordinary women, including the romance, the heartbreak, the secrets, the scandals, and their enduring legacy.

"I wanted you to know that "Million Dollar American Princesses Season 2" almost doubled it's numbers over last year's premiere when it went out on Sunday. It also more than doubled our prime time average. All in all, a great launch for a terrific show. Please share our congratulations

and thanks with all your team. We really appreciate their enormous creativity and hard work." Email from Charles Poe Exec Producer Smithsonian Channel

### Benidorm ER. series 1,3 and 4

**RTS Nominated** 60 mins

Channel 5



Fly-on-the-wall series following patients through A&E. These series of ob doc sees the cameras being given full access to the Clinica Benidorm, one of Spain's top hospitals. The stories follow different holiday makers who have found themselves sick, injured or needing emergeny operations (lots of blood and guts filmed !!) forced to swap the sun-bed for a hospital bed.

# **Britain's Secret Charity Cheats**

45 mins

BBC 1



Fly-on-the-wall Series in which Kevin Duala sets out to expose charity scammers.

Each 45-minute episode focuses on different cases where scammers have exploited the public in the name of charity and the impact they have had on people connected to the case. It also profiles genuine charities working in related areas and offers tips on how to spot fake charities and fraudsters, and where to report them.

# Saving the Forgotten Jews

#### Nominated Sandford St Martin Award 30 mins BBC1



# Available on YouTube

A revealing BBC documentary shows how an elaborate Mossad hoax, a British businessman and a seasoned diplomat came together to rescue 20,000 Ethiopian Jews in what has been described as "one of the greatest humanitarian acts of the 20th century

# <u>Rip Off Britain</u>

45 min

30 min

60 min

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BBC 1

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The Rip Off Britain team is ready to tackle the issues that most matter to you from bills and bad customer service, to holidays and food. A consumer affairs programme revealing the lengths some companies will go to get your custom, offering advice and exposing scams and fraudsters.

### Never Again, Fear and Faith in Paris



This powerful documentary explores the decision of 8,000 Jews to leave France in 2014/2015, concerned about terror attacks and rising anti-Semitism in the country. We hear from the families most affected and explore the reasons behind

We hear from the families most affected and explore the reasons behind the rise in anti-Semitism. With insight from those who live in the notorious Paris suburbs, often accused of being a breeding ground for anti-Semitism, and from Lassana Bathily, a Muslim from the suburbs who saved Jewish lives during the kosher supermarket attack in 2015.

BBC 1

Yes Chef



We've seen professional chefs go head-to-head, now it's time to see if they can cook up a storm... together!

In this brand new multi camera series hosted by Sheree Murphy, 16 chefs - all with Michelin stars to their name - mentor amateur home cooks to do battle in the kitchen.

For the amateurs, it's a chance to work alongside the best in the business. For the professionals, it's an opportunity to train their partner and lead them to victory in an industry where ego is king.

### Caravanning with Shane Richie



The former Pontins bluecoat heads to north devon to stay in a static caravan on a park owned by of one of the biggest holiday park chains in the UK. The park boasts its own entertainment centre, swimming pool, nature reserve and even its own private beach. He is later joined by one of his oldest friends who, just like him, is a former holiday park entertainer. Peter joins Shane on a visit to a theme park with a difference, and the duo attend a D-Day re-enactment at a local beach, complete with vintage jeeps and aircraft.

Channel 5

Car Crash TV



Brand new fast paced, high energy documentary series featuring footage of amusing mishaps and dangerous driving. Clip show featuring bad driving and road mishaps captured by dashboard cameras around the world. Careering through a bumper crop of foolhardy speeders, a crash scene investigation, 4x4 fails, the blame game, plucky pedestrians, 2 wheels or 4 wheels?, hit or miss?, out in the sticks, car pinball, and stay in your lane!

Channel 5

BBC1

### Top Class CBBC



Susan Calman quizzes kids to find out which school will be crowned the smartest in the UK. All primary schools across the UK were invited to enter Top Class, with a team of 4 pupils. All competitors are in year 6 (primary 7 in Scotland and Northern Ireland).

The subjects includes Maths, English, Science, History, Geography and News. There is also Test the Teacher where the class' teacher answers pop-culture questions and Pet Subjects, where the class chooses a subject to be questioned on. Pet Subjects chosen include The Dumping Ground and

# The Roy Files CBBC



# Beauty School Cop Outs

15 X 20 min

CBBC

The Roy Files, a live action and animated series where actors converse and interact with a cartoon character giving fans an exclusive insight into the life of Roy O'Brien - Ireland's only cartoon boy living in the real world. The pace, humour and heart will mirror that of Roy and each episode feature core themes that are relatable to the audience like teachers, bullies, and being yourself. At the end of every chapter in the scrapbook, Roy will offer his conclusions to the events he's just relived; though being an 11 year old cartoon boy, he is prone to slightly getting the wrong end of the stick!

60 mins MTV

BEAUTY SCHOOL

In this MTV reality series, eight wannabes are given a once in a lifetime opportunity... to work in the beauty industry - getting paid for what they spend hours each day doing anyway - fannying around with hair extensions and hot wax. The students live together, learn together and work together in salons, spas and gyms all over Manchester, where real-life customers are the guinea pigs. One thing's for sure, they know how to play hard - but will they be prepared to work hard too?

# **Observational Documentary & Factuals (titles only)**

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Luxury Foods, Good or Bad?	EMMY Winner	60 mins	Discovery Son Of
Son of God	EMMY Winner	3x50 min	BBC1
The Real John Lennon	RTS Winner	90 mins	Channel 4
St Paul Witness to Auschwitz Canterbury Cathedral Tales. Public vs Police Panorama Britain's Worst Weather (seri Music Live. Sc-Fi Science Mohammed Ali (His life story Reds in Europe (series) Tonight (various subjects) Mohammed Ali (His life story Naked Science: Time Machine Unlocking the treasures of Fu World's Longest Water Divers	es) ) e J Hao	60 mins 30 mins 60 mins 30 mins 60 mins 45 mins 60 mins 60 mins 30 mins 30 mins 60 mins 60 mins 60 mins 60 mins 60 mins 60 mins 60 mins 60 mins	BBC 1 BBC1 BBC2 ITV1 BBC1 ITV1 BBC1_ Discovery BBC1 ITV1 ITV1 BBC1 National Geographic National Geographic Discovery Channel
Factual Entertainment			
Ade in Britain (series 1& 2)	RTS Nominated	60 mins	ITV1
Fierce Earth (series)		30 mins	BBC Childrens
Delia Through the Decades (S	Series)	60 mins	BBC2
The Property List		60 mins	Channel 5
Billy Connolly Journey to the			ITV1
Physics of the Impossible, Dr	міспіо каки	45 mins	Discovery
TV's 50 Greatest Stars So You Think You Want (serie	c)	120 mins 30 mins	ITV1 Channel 4
Britain's Favourite View	5)	60 mins	ITV1
Sins of the Flesh		50 mins	BBC1
Exodus Earth!		60 mins	Science Channel
Fiddles, Cheats and Scams Sp	pecial	60 mins	ITV1
Stars on the Street		60 mins	ITV1
Rough Guide to the World, Is	rael	60 mins	BBC2
Coronation Street Secrets		60 mins	ITV 1
Jeremy Kyle, Backstage Spec		60 mins	ITV 1
Bare Necessities (series)		45 mins	BBC1
Question of Sport (series)	rice)	30 mins	BBC1
Rough Guide to the World (se Reportage (series)	eries)	40 mins 40 mins	BBC2 BBC2
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The Travel Show (series editor)	30 mins	BBC2
BBC Children's		
Fierce Earth (series) CBBC	30 mins	BBC Childrens
Chucklevision (Series Editor for 3 years)	30 mins	BBC Childrens
Why Don't You	30 mins	BBC Childrens
No Limits	60 mins	BBC Childrens
8.15 From Manchester	90 mins	BBC Childrens
Eggs and Baker	30 mins	BBC Childrens
Move it	30 mins	BBC Childrens
UP2U	60 mins	BBC Childrens
Telling Tales	30 mins	BBC Childrens

### (References available on request)

"Helen's work was as creative and accomplished as we have come to expect from her, and that was all the more impressive given the late change in scheduling. From the moment it became clear that news events threatened to run away with us, and two weeks were cut from the schedule, she settled in for some very long hours without complaint. Throughout the process she maintained the highest standards of editing, and made a major contribution to the success of the film."

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