

# Jack Heels – Grip Assistant

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### Profile:

I am an assistant grip based in Salford and York. I'm currently working on filling out a logbook in order to work towards an NVQ level 2 grip qualification. I have recently began stepping up as B Camera grip on some of the productions and I am keen to gain more experience in that role as well as working as an assistant. I graduated with a degree in Film and TV Production in 2019 and during my time there was nominated for an RTS Student North West award. I view myself as an excellent team player with a friendly, approachable attitude and a determination to work hard and push myself in all aspects of life.

## Work Experience:

Grip Assistant for ITV's "Coronation Street" Daily Work 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 – 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022 Key Duties:

- Laying track for dolly shots
- Setting up various rigs for cameras including sticks and sliders
- Ensuring equipment is set up safely and in a timely manner

Grip Assistant for David Leigh for the Coral "Your Horse" Commercial  $17^{th}-22^{nd}\,\mbox{January}\,2022$ 

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  - Laying track for dolly shots
  - Setting up various rigs for cameras including sticks and sliders
  - Ensuring equipment is set up safely and in a timely manner
  - Cleaning and maintaining equipment after it had been used outside in the elements

B Camera grip for Jim Neale for the ITV production "DI Ray" Dailies Work 17<sup>th</sup> October, 30<sup>th</sup> October, 6<sup>th</sup> November Key Duties:

- Setting up camera rigs exactly where the operator needs it using.
- Tracking a GFM-8 Crane base whilst the key grip operates the crane.
- Tracking the dolly for simplistic dolly shots.

B Camera Grip for Stuart Gibson for ITV's Production "The Confessions of Franny Langton" Dailies work 13<sup>th</sup> August

- Setting up camera rigs exactly where the operator needs it using
- Guiding the camera operator whilst they are using a handheld camera

Grip Assistant/C Camera grip for Stuart Gibson, Jim Neale and Damien Roberts for the BBC production "Sherwood"

July 2021 - October 2021

# Key duties:

- Laying track for dolly shots.
- Guiding a Camera Operator whilst they are using a Steadicam.
- Assisting grips with operating Moviebird 44 and GFM 8 Cranes.
- Setting up various rigs for cameras exactly where the operator needs it.
- Ensuring equipment is set up safely and in a timely manner.
- Cleaning and maintaining grip equipment

Grip Assistant/B Camera Grip for Jamie Brittain for Acorn TV's production "Agatha Raisin" series 4 March 2021 – June 2021

- Laying track for dolly shots.
- Guiding a Camera Operator whilst they are using a Steadicam.
- Setting up various rigs for cameras exactly where the operator needs it.
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Grip Assistant for Tony Sankey for the film production "The Eternal Daughter" Dailies work 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2020

Trainee Grip for Dan Inman for the BBC production of "Silent Witness" season 24 September 2020 – December 2020

Grip Assistant for Phil Whitaker for the BBC productions of "The Syndicate" season 4 Dailies work 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of October 2020

Trainee Grip for Dan Inman as part of ITV's production of 'The Bay' series 2 August 2019 – December 2019

Other work experience I have includes working as Bar Staff at both the Agar Arms Public House (2014-Present) and Edge Hill SU (April 2017- November 2017) which has taught me valuable people skills, to be friendly, polite and work well as part of a team. I have also worked as a team leader at Greenfingers Landscapes Ltd (January 2020 – September 2020).

Having grown up on a farm I am also well accustomed to manual labour and have learnt some basic building skills

### Skills and Interests:

- I have completed the Coronavirus basic awareness production training by Screenskills
- In my spare time I play rugby league. In 2018 I was voted most dedicated player for my university rugby team.
- I was elected as my university rugby team's social secretary for the 2018/2019 academic year.
- In 2018 I climbed Mount Kilimanjaro to raise money for the charity Dig Deep.
- In 2016 I spent a month in South Africa working on a game reserve and at a primate rescue sanctuary.
- In 2016 I gained a PADI open water diving qualification.
- I have a full driving licence.
- I have some of knowledge about animal husbandry due to living on a farm, some of the sheep we reared were used by Timbertops Equestrian Centre for the BBC production The Living and the Dead.

# Education:

- Huntington School, York (2007 2012) GCSEs in Maths, English, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, History, Religious Studies, Business and Communication, Resistant Materials, Music, ICT and French.
- York College, York (2013-2015) A levels in Film Studies, Modern History and Ancient History and an AS level in Politics.
- Edge Hill University, Ormskirk (2016-2019) 2:1 BA (Hons) in Film and Television Production.

### References:

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