

# Nick Follows

Avid Editor

### **Profile**

Nick is a superbly well-established and accomplished editor having worked in the industry for numerous years. He has a brilliant track record in documentary having worked on various award-winning films for the highly regarded strands 'Cutting Edge' and 'Storyville'. He also has a background in drama-documentary and drama including work for Kudos, amongst others. Over the years, he has built up a great client base who have enjoyed a long relationship with him – not only is he a highly talented editor, he is also great to work with – technically confident, fast and imaginative. Clients have praised him for his support in the edit, he clicks well with people and has a great sense of humour which is invaluable in what can often be a stressful environment where tight deadlines must be met!

## Long Form Credits

#### "Panorama: What's on Your Supermarket Shelves? The Dark Side of the Tomato Trade"

**"Blood on the Shelves: The Secrets of Xinjiang's Tomato Industry"** 1 x 30min for Panorama and 1 x 60min for BBC World Service. Presenter-led documentaries that uncover the truth behind the tomato purees we use in pizzas, pasta sauces, and more. Tracing the journey of tomatoes from China to Italy and finally to the UK, investigating whether products linked to forced Uyghur labour in Xinjiang, China, could be making their way onto the shelves of some of the UK's largest supermarkets.

Director: Storm Theunissen. Exec Producers: Mike Rudin and Adam Grimley BBC

\*2025 Amnesty Media Awards. Shortlisted in the Broadcast Investigation Category\*

"The Hunt for the Missing Crypto Queen" 1 x 30min and 1 x 60min extended version. Current Affairs documentary which builds on the smash hit podcast of the same title, investigating the disappearance of Dr Ruja Ignatova, the fraudster who went on the run and is on the FBI's most wanted list. Exec Producer: Michael Simkin. Producer/Director: Storm Theunissen

BBC One (Panorama) and BBC World Service

"The Lost World of The Hanging Gardens" 1 x 60min. This documentary uncovers the secrets of Mosul in Iraq, once called Nineveh, the capital of the Assyrian Empire. After the destruction by the Islamic State, teams of archaeologists are piecing back together the treasures of Nineveh and attempting to answer the question: Was this the site of the legendary Hanging Gardens of Babylon?

Exec Producer: Richard Bradley

Lime Pictures for PBS ZDF and France 5

"Inside the Iranian Uprising" 1 x 60min. Current affairs documentary gives an extraordinary and shocking insight on the recent uprising that shook Iran following the death of 22-year-old Mahsa Amini in police custody. Using eyewitness accounts and gripping footage filmed by the protestors, the doc sheds new light on a regime under unprecedented pressure.

Exec Producers: Sarah Waldron, Fiona Stourton & Andrew Ruhemann Passion Pictures for BBC Two \*2024 Broadcast Award nomination for Best Current Affairs Programme\*

**"Royal Bastards: The Rise of the Tudors"** 1 x 60min. Episode 2 of 3. Drama documentary telling the story of Margaret Beaufort - the mother of the Tudor dynasty. *Exec Producer: David Glover* 72 Films for Sky History

"Reframed: Marilyn Monroe" 4-part biographical documentary series narrated by Jessica Chastain which re-examines Monroe's story to uncover themes of feminism, sexuality and power that continue to drive the cultural conversation today.

Exec Producer: Sam Starbuck Raw for CNN/BBC

*"Haunted: The Lady in the Lake"* 1 x 60min. Brand new documentary series that details the most terrifying paranormal cases in Britain and America. It combines personal testimony with archive and dramatic reconstruction exploring cases that have captured the public imagination for many years of hauntings, poltergeists and exorcisms. *Series Producers: Adam Hopkins and Laura Matthews* Story Films for Paramount+

**"The Billionaires That Made Our World"** 1 x 60min. High-profile documentary series looking at 'Tech Titans'. This episode looks at Mark Zuckerberg and delves into the empire he has built, examining the impact he's had on the world. Beautifully shot master interview, filmic elements, archive and minimal commentary. *Exec: Tom Porter* Brite Spark Films for Channel 4

*"48hrs To Victory"* Battle of Waterloo. 3-part history series presented by Dermot O'Leary in which he teams up with military experts to explore the pivotal last 48hrs of iconic battles in British history, using artefacts, records and aerial shots of the battlefields. In this episode, they dive into the strategy behind the battle of Waterloo against Napoleon Bonaparte.

*Exec Producer: Sian Price* Rondo Media for Channel 4

**"Maradona in Sinaloa"** Landmark 7-part docuseries following Maradona as he spends a year in Culiacan, the heart of the Sinaloa Cartel, and tries to save and promote a 2<sup>nd</sup> division Mexican football club. *Exec Producer: Thom Walker, Nicky Bolster* Ronachnan Films for Netflix

**"The Queen Unseen"** 1 x 60min documentary with unseen, exclusive archive footage. Also including interviews and personal stories from those who know HM The Queen, showing the monarch as a wife, mother, animal lover, cook, farmer and comedian. *Exec Producer: Claire Burnett* Factual Fiction for ITV

*"Sir Trevor McDonald on Martin Luther King"* 1 x 90min Feature Doc. Fifty years since the assassination of Martin Luther King, Sir Trevor McDonald goes to the places he wished he'd reported from in his twenties, meeting the people who knew the legendary man. *Dir: Marion Milne* ITV

**"Inside Chelsea"** 1 x 60min one off documentary presented Mehreen Baig. In a time when the wealth gap has never been great, how to Britain's richest people look themselves in the mirror? This is how the other half really lives. *Exec Producer: Barnaby Coughlin* Label 1 for BBC Two

*"Icons: Artists and Writers"* 1 X 60min. Exploring the achievements of the greatest figures of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Lily Cole looks at Pablo Picasso, Virginia Woolf, Alfred Hitchcock and Andy Warhol. Directed Stephen Mizelas. *Exec Producer: Caste Hall, Francesca Maudsley* 72 Films for BBC Two

"Horizon: Body Clock What Makes Us Tick?" 1 x 60min. Three decades after the genes that regulate our inner clock were first identified, scientists are only just beginning to grasp the enormous impact it has on every aspect of our lives. An audacious experiment to try and find out exactly how much our body clock affects our health and wellbeing is conducted – by putting one brave volunteer into complete isolation from the rest of the world... Windfall Productions for BBC Two

**"Damian Lewis: Spy Games"** 1 x 60min drama-doc. Damian Lewis tells the true stories behind some of the world's most important spy operations from the Cold War through to the 'war on terror'. Shot across the globe, the series merges drama re-construction, first testimony interviews and archive with Damian's own, filmic links. Alaska TV for A&E Network

*"Flying High with Arthur Williams"* Amateur pilot Arthur Williams, a former Royal Marine, will fly his own Piper J3 Club airplane to visit the network of airfields across the UK unveiling the history of active communities behind them. During his journey, he will take in breath taking views of the country at large, while in his stop-downs he'll meet the people involved in airfield life. Reef TV for Channel 4

"Eden-Paradise Lost" In a remote corner of the Highlands, 23 men and women try to build a new life and new society from scratch, with no access to technology they are isolated from the rest of the world. Keo Films for Channel 4

**"The Biggest Little Railway"** 1 x 60min. Episode 2. In this exciting new ground-breaking series, 4 teams, made up of engineers, construction workers and enthusiasts endeavour to build the biggest model railway track ever constructed. Will these volunteers complete the 72-mile track along the Great Glen Way, from Fort William to Inverness in Scotland before the deadline to accomplish their record-breaking attempt? Love Productions for Channel 4

**"Shut In's: Britain's Fattest People"** Series 3. AJ's Story – Part One & Two. 2 x 47min documentary in an emotional two-part series following AJ, a non-binary 23-year-old weighing 41 stone. This is AJ's story who is desperate to turn his life around as he sees a psychologist and discusses undergoing weight-loss surgery. Blink Films for Channel 4

*"Elizabeth and Margaret, Love and Loyalty"* 1 x 60min. Archive based documentary series examining the relationship between Princess Margaret and The Queen. Factual Fiction for Netflix and Channel 5

**"An Hour to Save Your Life"** Series 3, Episode 1. 1 x 60min observational documentary in a series which explores the life-or-death decisions facing doctors in the first critical hour of emergency care. Boundless Productions for BBC Two

"The Age of Loneliness" 1 x 1hr one off documentary. Loneliness affects millions but no-one wants to talk about. The number of people living alone has doubled in 40 years. Britain is now the "lonely capital of Europe". Directed by Sue Bourne.

Wellpark Productions for BBC One \*Nominated for Grierson Award - Best Documentary on a Contemporary Theme\*

*"The Secrets of China: Marriage"* 1 x 60min. Billie JD Porter investigates China's obsession with marriage and the massive wedding industry that results. Directed By Claire McFall BBC Three

**"Normandy '44: The Battle Beyond D-Day"** 1 x 60min Documentary. As veterans gather to relive one of the turning points of the Second World War, historian James Holland moves beyond the D-Day beaches to reassess the brutal 77-day Battle for Normandy that followed the invasion. Maya Vision International for BBC 2

"Inside British Airways" 1 x 60min Observational Documentary (of 3-part series), exploring behind the scenes of the world's most self-important airline. Lion Television for BBC Two Prime Time

**"24 Hours in A&E"** 1 x 60min Documentary in a series. With 91 cameras filming round the clock, 24 Hours in A&E offers unprecedented access to one of Britain's busiest A&E departments, at King's College Hospital. The Garden Productions for Channel 4

"Chasing Shackleton" 1 x 44min (Discovery) / 56min (PBS). Episode 4. Almost one hundred years after the original expedition, this series follows a team of modern-day explorers as they attempt to follow in the path of Shackleton's epic journey. The 1500km (800 nautical miles) crossing of the Southern Ocean, followed by the South Georgia mountain-traverse, a journey which offered the only possible chance of rescue following the sinking of Ernest Shackleton's expedition ship, The Endurance. Raw TV for Discovery Networks and PBS

*"Lawless: Stalkers"* Drama Documentary about stalkers investigating their motivations, state of mind and perspective of what they do. Looks at the three types of stalkers - those who had a previous relationship with the victim, those who had a fantasy relationship which they believe to be real, and the more dangerous predatory stalkers whose motivation is usually one of control. Blast Films for Channel 4

*"Incredibly Small World"* Episodes 6, 7 & 8 of an 8-part series looking at the lives of dwarves and the challenges they face every day. Dragonfly for National Geographic

**"Edward VIII: The Plot to Topple a King"** 1 x 60min Documentary. The conspiracy, in 1936, to force the abdication of Edward VIII and the pivotal role played by the Archbishop of Canterbury, revealed in documents kept secret by the state until now. Directed by Louise Wardle Blakeway Productions for Channel 4

**"Tourette's: I Swear I Can Sing"** 1 x 60min Observational Documentary. At 25, Ruth Ojadi had an amazing singing voice and a place to study music at university. Ruth was diagnosed with Tourette's Syndrome and her life fell apart. Now, 3 years on, Ruth has decided to take her life back and once again step up to the mic, but when a trip to the supermarket is such a struggle, how will she cope with getting up on stage? Directed by Danny Beck. Leopard Films for BBC Three

**"Submarine Mission**" 1 x 60min. The world of the submarine has long remained shrouded in mystery. Its vessels more complicated than a space shuttle, and the water they hide in is less explored than space. Unprecedented access to an operational, nuclear powered, Hunter- Killer Submarine, in a 3-part observational series. Firelight Productions for FIVE & National Geographic

**"Swimming With Crocodiles**" Programme 1 - Botswana. The Nile crocodile is one of the fiercest and least understood of the world's reptiles. Ben Fogle is joining a team of divers in Africa's Okavango Delta, going underwater to get a unique insight into the secret lives of these predators. Single doc Spun Gold for BBC Two

*"Cutting Edge: Hunting Britain's Most Wanted"* Over the course of three months Cutting Edge has unique access to New Scotland Yard's Extradition Unit as they track down murderers, suspected rapists and armed robbers from abroad. Mentorn for Channel 4

"Gates on Latin America 'Cuba'" One of a four-part series hosted by Professor Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the African Diaspora and features individual stories that illuminate how slavery and colonialism shaped and defined the countries of Latin America today. Directed by Diene Petterle Wall To Wall Television for WNET/PBS

"Gold Rush Alaska" In the face of the economic meltdown, six men will risk everything to strike it rich, mining for gold in the wilds of Alaska. Raw Television for Discovery Channel USA

*"The Untold Battle of Britain"* Drama Documentary. The story of 303 Squadron: 34 Polish fighter pilots who overturned RAF prejudices to earn their chance to fight in the Battle of Britain, in which they shot down 126 Luftwaffe aircraft. Directed by Carl Hindmarch Darlow Smithson Channel 4

*"Cutting Edge: Love, Life, Death in a Day"* Observational Doc; 24 Hours in the life of Bristol, births weddings and deaths. Directed and produced by Sue Bourne Wellpark Productions for Channel 4

"Cutting Edge: The Charles Generation" Men born on the same day as Prince Charles all received hampers from the Queen. How did their lives develop after that? Directed by Sam Emmery Produced by Sue Bourne Wellpark Productions for Channel 4

"Legend of the Crystal Skulls" Drama Documentary investigating the mystery surrounding Mitchell-Hedges Crystal skull. Was it, as ledged says a Mayan artefact made thousands of years ago? Were the museums that authenticated it duped? Exclusive access to the science that finally lays the matter to rest Directed by Tilman Remme
Picture Films Five/Smithsonian Network
\*Winner 2008 CINE Golden Eagle

"Cutting Edge: My Street" Stories behind the doors on one London Street.
 Directed and produced by Sue Bourne
 Wellpark Productions for Channel 4
 \*Best Documentary – Broadcast Awards 2009

"Who Do You Think You Are?" Series 1 - Jeremy Clarkson Directed by Matthew Thompson
Wall to Wall Media for BBC Two
\*BAFTA Nomination. Factual Series or Strand
\*Best Popular Factual Program: Broadcast Awards

"Iraq the Untold Story" Current affairs presented by Jon Snow Zenith Media for Channel 4

**"Eddie, The King We Never Had"** History Documentary. The short life of Queen Victoria's Grandson who would have been king but for a fatal bout of flu in his early twenties. The first royal to go to university, wildly read and cultured. This revealing film uses newly discovered letters written by Prince Eddy himself to explore whether his early death saved Britain from a monster or cheated the nation of a good King. Lion TV for Channel 4

**"The Spy Who Stole My Life"** 1 x 75min. Documentary about the conman who posed as an MI5 'Spy'. For 10 years, Robert Hendy-Regard - really a joiner - conned a group of young people into believing they were on the run from terrorists. He stripped them of their money, identities, freedom and dignity before being seized in a joint operation between British police and the FBI. Directed by Kate Snell Creative Touch for Channel 5

"Cutting Edge: The Storm and the Crash" Wellpark Productions for Channel 4

*"Studs of Suburbia"* An insight into the lives of small-town Lotharios, men who use their looks, charm or bravado to worm their way into women's beds. Set against the egos of the studs are the assessments of their partners and the musings of their mothers. Directed Vicky Crawley IWC Media for Channel 4

"Great Britons: John Lennon" Alan Davies spends one hour passionately arguing his case for their chosen Great Briton in the hope of convincing viewers to vote for their choice. BBC Two

*"Storyville: Donald and Luba - A Family Movie"* An intimate documentary portrait, which chronicles the lives of Donald and Luba Boyd, the parents of the director and the grandparents of his 22 year old daughter and cocinematographer Kate, who accompanies him on his personal quest through the countries that Donald and Luba had lived out their failed marriage. Directed by Don Boyd *\*Official selection Sheffield Int. Film Festival 2000* 

"The Sex Researchers" 1 x 60min. Over 100 years, pioneering men and women have been uncovering our deepest secrets. Their methods have been visionary, kinky and sometimes bizarre, and their findings have transformed our sex lives.

Wag TV for Channel 4