

# DAN ZEFF

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## DIRECTOR

- GRACE** Directing 120' Episode 3 of the fourth series for ITV.
- GANGSTA GRANNY STRIKES AGAIN!**  
Directed 60' sequel based on David Walliams' children's book for Little Bert Ltd. TX December 2022
- DO NOT RESUSITATE** Co-wrote pilot with Jamie Maule Ffinch for Gaumont Ltd.
- SILVERPOINT** Directed opening four episodes of original sci-fi adventure series for Zodiak Kids Studios, CBBC and ZDF Enterprises. TX March 2022
- AFTER EVER AFTER 'HANSEL & GRETEL'**  
Directed standalone episode for the King Bert/Sky One comedy drama series. TX Christmas 2021.
- PARENTAL GUIDANCE** Directed comedy pilot with Romesh Ranganathan for BBC Studios 2019
- THE QUEEN AND I** Directed single-film adaptation of Sue Townsend's novel for King Bert/Sky. TX Christmas 2018.
- ERIC ERNIE AND ME** Directed single drama for Objective/BBC. **Nominated for Best Single Drama, Broadcast Awards 2019.**
- LOST ON INFINITY** Attached to direct Steve Punt script with Wild Thyme/Chelsea Pictures.
- CAROL AND VINNIE** Directed comedy pilot with Rebecca Front, Kayode Ewumi for BBC Studios. 2018
- THE ARTIST** Directed single film for Sky Urban Myths/RoughCut. Stars Iwan Rheon, Rupert Grint. **Nominated for Int'l Emmy, 2018.**
- THE OTHER ONE** Directed comedy pilot for Cave Bear/BBC2. 2017
- THE COLLECTION** Directed eps 5-8 of 8-part drama centred around a 1940's Paris Fashion House for Lookout Point/Amazon. 2016
- INSIDE NO.9** Directed **The Trial of Elizabeth Gadge** and **Séance Time**, two films for the award-winning comedy series written and starring Reece Shearsmith & Steve Pemberton. TX: Apr 2015.

<b>SIBLINGS</b>	Directed first two series of original comedy starring Charlotte Ritchie and Tom Stourton for Bwark/BBC3. Series I TX August 2014. Series II TX January 2016.
<b>THE ICE CREAM GIRLS</b>	Directed three-part drama for Left Bank Pictures/ITV1. Cast includes Martin Compston, Lorraine Burroughs and Jodhi May. Winner, <b>Best TV Drama and Best Actress (Lorraine Burroughs) at the MVSA 2013.</b>
<b>PRAMFACE</b>	Directed original comedy series for BBC3/ Little Comet Productions. TX February 2012. Cast includes Anna Chancellor, Angus Deayton, Scarlett Alice Johnson.
<b>CASE HISTORIES</b>	Directed the third 2-hr film ‘When Will There Be Good News’ BBC/Ruby Films Starred Jason Isaacs, based on Kate Atkinsons’ books. <b>Won 2011 Scottish BAFTA, Best Drama.</b>
<b>HATTIE</b>	Directed 90’ film for BBC4. Produced by Angel Eye Media. Stars Ruth Jones, Robert Bathurst and Aidan Turner. Original TX January 2011 – BBC2 repeat May 2011. <b>Nominated for 2011 Scottish BAFTA for best drama and Best Single Drama at the Broadcast Awards 2012.</b>
<b>LOST IN AUSTEN</b>	Directed Four part drama for Mammoth Screen/ITV. Stars Jemima Rooper, Gemma Arterton, Hugh Bonneville, Alex Kingston, Lindsay Duncan. TX: Sept 08
<b>CONSUMING PASSION</b>	Directed 90’ film for BBC4. Prods: Ben Evans, Abi Bach. Stars Olivia Colman, Danny Mays, Jodie Whittaker. TX Nov 08
<b>MARPLE: AT BERTRAM’S HOTEL</b>	Directed opening episode of new series of MARPLE for ITV. Guest stars include Francesca Annis, Stephen Mangan, Mark Heap and Martine MacCutcheon. TX: Sept 07
<b>DR WHO: LOVE &amp; MONSTERS</b>	Directed episode of DR WHO written by Russell T Davies. David Tennant, Marc Warren, Shirley Henderson, Peter Kay. TX June 06
<b>IDEAL</b>	Directed First two series and Christmas Special of BBC3 hit series for BabyCow/BBC Comedy. Starring Johnny Vegas. <b>Winner, RTS North West Best Comedy Programme 2006.</b>
<b>THE WORST WEEK OF MY LIFE</b>	Directed seven part comedy drama series for BBC1/Hat Trick. Starred Ben Miller, Alison Steadman. TX Mar/Apr 04
<b>LINDA GREEN</b>	Directed five episodes for RED Productions/BBC1.

Guest Stars: Simon Pegg, Martin Freeman. TX Nov 02

**FAT FRIENDS**

Directed 2 episodes Rollem/Tiger Aspect/ITV.  
James Corden, Ruth Jones, Alison Steadman. TX Oct 02

**AT HOME WITH THE  
BRAITHWAITES**

Directed final episodes of series 2 for YTV.  
Starring Amanda Redmond, Julie Graham, Ray Stevenson.

**WRITER/DIRECTOR**

**CURRENT**

**DO NOT RESUSCITATE** Co-writing original comedy script with Jamie Maule-Ffinch.  
Optioned to Gaumont UK.

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**MILE 27**

Developing feature project with producer Helen Hadfield.

**PROJECT MUSTARD**

Original screenplay received TRIBECA/SLOAN Award.  
Producer Andrew Bendel, Blue Horizon Productions.  
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**PRAMFACE 3**

Wrote first episode of Pramface 3 for Little Comet/BBC3 having directed the first series. TX February 2014

**SWEETNIGHTGOODHEART** Wrote and directed short film commissioned by BBC's Eight Ways to Leave Your Lover.  
Stars David Tennant, Kate Ashfield. TX: March 03 BBC2.  
Screened Edinburgh and London Film Festivals. Screened by BFI with main features on Valentine's Day 2009.

**UNITED  
TOO MANY GODS**

Wrote 2 x short dramas for Carlton TV/European Broadcast Unit. Prod. Melanie Stokes. Dirs: Julian Holmes, Angelo Abada. TX 2002/03.  
**United** received the Jury's Certificate of Excellence at the Chicago International Children's Film Festival 2003.

**SWEET**

Written treatment for single film on teenage pregnancy for Sue Nott/BBC Education.

**BLACK EYES**

Wrote and Directed short film for JSP/BFI Productions.  
Starred Lee Ross, Tim Matthews, David Ryall.  
London Film Festival. TX: Feb 99 Ch4.

**DUAL BALLS** Wrote and Directed short film adapted from Nicola Barker's short story for BBC/Ch4 BRIEF ENCOUNTERS. Starred Lesley Manville, Sylvestra LeTouzel. TX  
**Nominated: Best Short Film, BAFTA AWARDS 1997**

**THAT SUNDAY** Wrote and Directed short romantic comedy. Stars Alan Cumming, Minnie Driver. TX: Aug 94, Ch4.  
**Winner, Best Short Film, San Diego Film Festival**  
**Winner, Silver Plaque, Chicago Film Festival**  
**Nominated, Best Short Film, BAFTA AWARDS 1995**

### **CHILDRENS TELEVISION**

**OUT OF THE ASHES** Directed 30' drama for Pagoda/BBC Children's Drama. Starring Samantha Beckinsale. TX Sept 01, BBC1.  
**Nominated: RTS Award for Best Children's Fiction 2002**  
**Nominated: BAFTA award for Best Children's Drama 2002**

**ENGLISH EXPRESS** Directed Drama Stories for BBC Literacy Project.  
**Winner: Children's Bafta 2000**

**COPING WITH CHRISTMAS** Directed 30' Children's Comedy Drama for Carlton/Channel 4  
**Winner: BAFTA BEST CHILDREN'S DRAMA 1995**  
**Winner: WRITERS GUILD BEST CHILDRENS TV 1996**

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