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Profile

Versatile. Dedicated. Capable. I maximize quality within the constraints of limited time and resources. Using light and motion, I bring the director's vision to screen and create compelling imagery which immerses the audience in a captivating emotional experience.

Experience

Freelance Cinematographer — 2007-Present

In Vietnam: Six narrative feature films, five theatrically released on 35mm print and DCP including Vietnam's first live-action stereoscopic 3D film; 103 nationally broadcast TV episodes of one-hour drama & comedy; 28 national television commercials; branded content for broadcast and web; a couple music videos.

Advertising clients include Asics, HSBC, Johnnie Walker, Samsung, Suzuki, Nokia, Intel, Qualcomm, Colgate, and Viso (*Unilever*).

Cinematography Instructor, REDUCATION-X — 2013

Taught seminars on cinematography, camera and lighting.

Intern, The Weinstein Company — 2005-2006

Copies, coverage, phones, and other production office tasks in the office of Barbara Schneeweiss, Vice President for Television.

Education

University of Southern California - School of Cinematic Arts - Los Angeles, CA
Master of Fine Arts, Cinema-Television, May 2009

The University of Arizona - Honors College - Tucson, AZ
Bachelor of Arts, Media Arts, Honors, Magna Cum Laude, May 2002

Skills

Equipment: Super16mm, 35mm, RED Cameras, Stereo 3D, Phantom Flex, Sony CineAlta, For-A FT-ONE, Canon C-Series, SteadiCam, and a wide range of lighting & grip equipment.

Specialties: The art of the close-up, dynamic moving masters on dolly, high-speed imaging, reflective surfaces, food, dance, chroma-key, multi-national multi-lingual productions, creative & resourceful solutions for unanticipated challenges which arise on-set.

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Feature Film

BIẾT CHẾT LIỀN 3D - HELL IF I KNOW 3D - (in post)

Canon C300 Cameras, Beam-Splitter Stereo Rig
Produced by LBT Entertainment
Stereo 3-D production support from Digital Magic, Hong Kong

NGÔI NHÀ TRONG HÈM - HOUSE IN THE ALLEY

Dir. Lê Văn Kiệt - Red One MX
Produced by Trần Trọng Dân & Coco Paris LLC

BÓNG MA HỌC ĐƯỜNG 3D - GHOST IN THE SCHOOL 3D

Dir. Lê Bảo Trung
Sony EX3 CineAlta Cameras, Beam-Splitter Stereo Rig
Produced by LBT Entertainment & Galaxy Films
Stereo 3-D production support from Digital Magic, Hong Kong

KHI YÊU ĐỪNG QUAY ĐẦU LẠI - DON'T LOOK BACK

Dir. Nguyễn Võ Nghiêm Minh - Red One
Produced by Galaxy Films & HKFilm

Television

ÔNG GIA ĐẠI CHIẾN - FEUDING FAMILIES

Dir. Lê Bảo Trung - Sony EX1 CineAlta
30 Episodes, HTV Vietnam
Produced by M&T Pictures & Midi Films

CHUYỆN TÌNH ĐẢO NGỌC - PEARL ISLAND LOVE STORY

Dir. Lê Bảo Trung - Panasonic HVX-200
38 Episodes, HTV Vietnam
Produced by M&T Pictures & VietCom Film

MƯA THỦY TINH - CRYSTAL RAIN

Dir. Võ Tấn Bình, Lê Bảo Trung - Panasonic HVX-200
35 Episodes, HTV Vietnam
Produced by M&T Pictures & VietCom Film

Music Video

XENA - На Каблуках

Dir. алексей дубровин - Canon 5D MkII
Produced by Xena, Mischa Za & Minh Long Propravda

KHÁNH THI - BỎ MẶC MÙA ĐÔNG

Co-credited with Dir. James T. Ngo - Red One MX
Produced by James T. Ngo



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Television Commercials

ASICS - "Colors that Run"

Dir. Pete Santa Maria - Phantom Miro
Produced by Asics

MI CUNG DINH Noodles - "Lover" & "Sorry, Honey"

Dir. Kenny Chan Kien Yee - Phantom Flex, Red Epic
Produced by Chanh Phan & Clone Production

SABRINA Body Wash - "Recipes for Girls"

Dir. Kevin Ryan - Red Epic
Produced by Chanh Phan & Clone Production

GMOBILE Telecom - 30s Brand Promo

Dir. Carr Wu - Red Epic
Produced by Alex Tùng Hoa & Sailywood Film Factory

SUZUKI - "Dragon Dance"

Dir. Quoc Duy - Red Scarlet
Produced by One Pro

Branded Content

SAMSUNG - *Mệnh Lệnh Liên Hoàn (The Toast)*

Interactive short film
Dir. Victor Vu - Red Epic
Produced by Phuong Tran & May Production

ENZOANI 2013 Fashion Campaign

Dir. Tonaci Tran - Red Epic
Produced by Sean Hunter & Justin Nguyen

HSBC *Realize Your Potential*

Dir. Martin Brierley - Red One MX, Canon 7D
Five Inspiring Stories of Social Entrepreneurs & Business Leaders
Produced by Charles Druce (Coast), Charles Pace (GroupM) & Yann Williot (Echo)

NOKIA N9 Introduction

Dir. Duke Dinh - Canon 5D MkII
Interactive Web Content
Produced by Phuong Tran & iFocus

JOHNNIE WALKER "Walk with Giants" - Vietnam

Dir. Lê Văn Kiệt - Canon 5D MkII
Produced by Phuong Tran & Moxie Productions