



# OLLIE PUTNAM

Underwater, Aerial and Wildlife Cameraman and Camera Assistant

## Personal Details

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Based in York, UK (willing to relocate)  
UK Passport, Full UK driving licence, own van  
Travel vaccination record inc. double Covid-19

## Profile

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- Underwater, topside and aerial cameraman and assistant with credits on BBC, ITV, Sky, S4C and Discovery
- Passionate, organised, friendly team player with experience working solo or as part of a larger film crew or dive team, able to bring skills, knowledge and a positive can do attitude to any production or job
- Currently looking for roles and opportunities in Natural History production, specifically underwater filming

## Key Skills

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- Extensive filming experience in 4K and 6K using production standard cameras, audio and lighting equipment, drones and UW housings, 360 rigs UW and aerial, time-lapse/macro/long lens shooting, UV light underwater filming
- Competent with REDs, ZCAMs, Panasonic EVA1/GH5, Sony FX9/FX6/FS5/FS7/A7sii/XDCams,
- Knowledge of Boxfish/VR Rize 360 cameras, OpenROV UW drones, custom in-water tow/pole cams and more
- Competent with DJI Inspire, Phantom, Mavic Pro Drones
- Experience setting up and operating large underwater cinema camera systems
- Full face mask / underwater comms experienced
- Competent with data management, editing, colour grading and sound design with FCPX, Premiere Pro and DaVinci Resolve

## Main Credits

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**Shark with Steve Backshall** - (September 2021)  
5 x 60 mins, True to Nature for Sky TV  
*Additional Footage - Topside/Underwater*

**Emmerdale** - (August - September 2021)  
ITV Studios/Access Underwater for ITV  
*Media Safety Diver for actors and stunt artists*

**Wild Isles** - (June 2021)  
New Yonder for online streaming service  
*Camera Operator - Additional Underwater Footage*

**Cynefin Nefyn (Season 5)** - (May 2021)  
12 x 60 mins, Rondo Media for S4C/BBC  
*Primary Camera Operator - Underwater*

**Pobol y Môr (Season 1)** - (April 2021)  
4 x 60 mins Slam Media/Boom Cymru for S4C/BBC  
*Primary Camera Operator - Underwater*

**Heno S4C World Oceans Day Special** - (November 2020)  
Tinopolis for S4C/BBC  
*Camera Operator - Underwater*

**Wales Best of the West** - (March 2020 - Present)  
Dan Dŵr Cymru (Underwater Wales)  
*Camera Operator - Underwater/Topside/Aerial  
Safety Diver, Dive Supervisor, Research, Edit, Sound*

**Saving Lives at Sea Season 3** - (July 2018)  
Blast! Films for BBC2  
*Archive Footage - Aerial*

**Monsters: Natal Sharks Board** - (July 2017)  
White Shark Video  
*Camera Operator - Underwater/Topside/Aerial, Safety Diver*

**Shark Week** - (June 2015)  
Discovery Channel  
*Archive Footage - Underwater*

## Commercial Work

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### **Welsh Seas** - (July 2021)

Dan Dŵr Cymru for Marine Conservation Society  
*Stock/Archive Footage - Underwater*

### **Casio Frogman Dive Watches** - (April 2021)

Scarlet View Media, Holster Films  
*Underwater Camera Assistant/Safety Diver*

### **Made in Oldstead Food Boxes** - (January - June 2021)

Tommy Banks / Made in Oldstead  
*DoP, Camera, Edit*

### **Michelin Awards Ceremony** - (January 2021)

The Black Swan at Oldstead / Roots Restaurant York  
*Freelance Camera Operator*

### **Secret Life of Seagrass** - (December 2020)

Scarlet View Media for Natural England  
*Archive Footage - Underwater*

### **UK Seagrass ReMEDIES Project** - (March 2020)

Scarlet View Media for Natural England  
*Underwater Camera Assistant/Safety Diver*

### **Salmon 360 Experience** - (March 2020)

Scarlet View Media, Jump Marketing  
*Underwater Camera Assistant/Safety Diver*

### **Save The Med** - (February 2020)

Save The Med NGO Mallorca  
*Camera Operator - Underwater/Aerial*

### **Angel Shark BRUV Project** - (September 2019)

Save Our Seas Foundation, Angel Shark Project Wales,  
Natural Resources Wales  
*DoP, Underwater/Topside/Aerial Cinematographer, Edit, Sound*

### **Under the Surface** - (February - March 2019)

OP Cinematography for Sony UK/Wex Photo Video  
*DoP, Underwater/Topside/Aerial Camera, Edit, Sound*

## Education / Qualifications

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Foreign Filming for Production Co-ordinators

OTS Guardian Full Face Mask Technician (servicing/field repairs)

AIDA2 Freediver

TQUK Level 4 Certificate: Commercial Drone Pilot (RQF)

HSE Part 4 Commercial Media Diver (Pro Scuba)

GATES Underwater Camera Housings STO (Setup, Test, Operation)

Certificate of Higher Education: International Tourism Management

PADI Instructor/Master Scuba Diver Trainer

*Media Career Advice, October 2021*

*Ocean Technology Systems, April 2020*

*Inspire Freediving, February 2020*

*COPTRZ, January 2019*

*Bristol Channel Diving Services, May 2019*

*Esprit Film & TV, January 2019*

*York St John University, 2013-2015*

*Deep Sea Divers Den, 2009*

*Current HSE diving medical valid until March 2022*

*Emergency First Aid at Work, O2 Provider, CPR/AED valid until April 2024*

*Current CAA Permission for Commercial Operations of Small Unmanned Aircraft*

*Completing MOD1 Rebreather training course during 2021 (rEVO)*

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## Owned Kit

ZCAM S6 & M4 Cameras / Atomos monitor and RAW recorder

Nauticam Cinema Camera and Monitor Underwater Housings

Underwater video lights and grip

DJI Phantom 4 Pro and Mavic Pro Drones

Full dive gear sets for tropical/cold waters

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## References

References available on request

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