

# Luke Cormack

## Director of Photography/Camera Operator

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### Features/ Television

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#### **Our Planet on the move**

GSS Aerials and long lens  
Attenborough's new migration series  
EP: Huw Cordey  
P: Ed Charles

**Silverback Films/ Netflix**

#### **Okavango River of Dreams**

Phantom DP  
A sublime 4 yr journey into the soul of the  
Okavango  
EP: D&B Joubert

**Terra Mater/ Nat Geo**

#### **Giant World**

Shotover Tech/ DP  
A 10 part series into the world of giants.  
EP: Tom Hugh Jones  
EP: Lucy Meadows

**Plimsoll/ Apple**

#### **Predators**

Shotover Tech/ DP  
EP: Wendy Darke

**True to Nature/ SKY/Netflix**

#### **Super-Natural**

DP Elephants  
A look into the super senses of animals  
EP: Tom Hugh Jones

**Plimsoll/ Marvel**

#### **The Lion Queen**

GSS DP  
The story of a lioness and her  
triumphs  
EP: Tom Hugh Jones  
EP: Lucy Meadows

**Plimsoll/Disney**

#### **Explorer**

DP  
The longest running documentary  
series hosted by Phil Keoghan  
EP: G. Eisele  
VP: Brian Lovett

**National Geographic**

#### **Shameless**

A-Camera Operator  
William H Macy leads the cast in a dark

**Warner Bros/ Showtime**

comedy series  
Dir: Iain McDonald  
DP: Anthony Hardwick

### **Jade Eyed Leopard**

Phantom DP  
A story about a unique leopard spanning  
3 generations.  
EP: D&B Joubert

### **Spy Games**

DP  
A sophisticated strategy based series  
Set in the world of espionage  
EP: E Dettweiler  
EP: D Burris

### **Kidnap**

Camera Operator 2<sup>nd</sup> Unit  
Halle Berry tracks down criminals  
who kidnapped her son.  
DP: M. Applebaum, F. Labiano  
Dir: L. Prieto, S. Ritzi

### **BMW IXM60**

DP/ Russian Arm  
BMW's new release

### **Manson Speaks**

DP  
2 part series with unreleased conversations  
from Manson's prison phone calls.  
EP: A Laferriere

### **The Great Human Race**

DP  
10 part series tracing mankind's greatest voyages  
EP: P de Lasho  
VP: Brian Lovett

### **American Crucible**

DP  
A series tracing the state of the modern  
American West  
Dir: P Goetz

### **Premier League**

Camera Operator  
12 Commercials and player profiles  
showcasing the top footballers  
for NBC  
Exec: Mark Skilton  
Dir: Scott Duncan

### **Siren: Opening titles**

Underwater Camera Operator  
DP: S Toyoma

### **California**

Underwater Phantom Operator  
A series of Commercials showcasing

**Terra Mater/ Nat Geo**

**Bravo/ Kinetic Content**

**Paramount Pictures/Lotus**

**BMW/ Groundglass**

**Lucky8/History Channel**

**National Geographic Studios**

**Paramount Pictures**

**Blink Productions** for NBC

**Freeform Productions**

**Digital Kitchen**

The wildlife and beauty of California  
DOP: Florian Stadler

### **Daddy's Home**

Camera Operator  
Will Ferrell and Mark Walberg star in a hilarious comedy  
DP: Julio Macat  
Dir: Sean Anders

### **Roots**

Camera Operator  
An epic portrayal of the classic novel  
DP: Alan Caso  
Dir: Mario v Peebles

### **My invisible sister**

2<sup>nd</sup> Unit DP/B Cam Operator  
DP: Suki Medencevic ASC  
Dir: P. Hoen

### **Siberia**

A Cam Operator  
A scripted television series about a reality show  
That goes wrong, set in Siberia.  
Exec: M. Ohoven  
DOP: Mike Applebaum

### **Encounters with Monsters**

DP  
Steve Backshall encounters some of the  
World's most dangerous creatures, including  
Free diving with Great Whites  
Exec: Nick Bullen  
Sophie Todd

### **SA Tourism its possible**

Dir/ DP  
12 Commercials and a 5 x 30 reality show for  
pre and post World Cup 2010 tourism

### **Hammerhead Invasion**

DP  
A world first in Shark foetus ultrasound scans  
EP Lucy Meadows

### **Mountain Movers**

Producer/DP  
Series following SPT as they build the world's  
biggest stadiums out of snow-X Games  
Exec: S Kane

### **Whale Wars**

Topside Camera Operator/Underwater  
Emmy nominated Antarctic expedition to stop whaling  
Exec: Liz Bronstein  
Mark Dziak

### **Lost land of the Volcano**

Camera  
Panda Award winning

### **Paramount Pictures**

### **A+E Studios/ History**

### **Disney**

### **Infinity Media** for NBC

### **Spun Gold** for Discovery

### **Ogilvy and Mather**

### **CBS, Fox, National Geographic, Discovery**

### **National Geographic/Icon**

### **National Geographic**

### **Lizard prods** for Animal Planet

### **BBC NHU** for BBC/ Discovery

expedition into PNG with a team of scientists, finding new species.  
Exec: S Greenwood  
J Keeling

### **Pacific Abyss**

Topside D.O.P/Underwater  
3x 1 hour Documentaries on a 2000-mile voyage across the S Pacific-  
Diving to depths of 130m  
Exec: Dale Templar  
Lucy Meadows

**BBC NHU** for BBC/ Discovery

### **Pole 2 Pole**

DOP Hawaii/California  
Steve Backshall travels from Pole to Pole showcasing the Worlds deadliest creatures  
Exec: J Keeling

**BBC NHU**

### **The X-factor**

Camera Operator  
BAFTA Award winning search for the UK's greatest singing talent  
Exec: S. Cowell  
R Holloway  
A Linaeres

**Talkback Thames** for ITV1

### **The Apprentice series1-5**

Camera Operator  
BAFTA nominated reality show  
The Guild of TV Cameramen Awards – Camera Team Excellence in Photography  
Alan Sugar chooses a new apprentice

**Talkback Thames** for BBC1

### **Survivor 8-44**

Camera Operator/ Underwater  
(**Panama All stars, Exile Island, Vanuatu, Guatemala, Palau, China, Micronesia, Fiji, Gabon, Heroes vs. Villains, Nicaragua**)  
Emmy Award for cinematography 2010  
multi-camera reality show  
Exec: M Burnett

**Mark Burnett Prods** for CBS

### **Dual Survival**

Camera Operator/42x  
Two survival specialists brave the extremes  
Exec: Brain Lovett

**Original Media** for Discovery

### **Vet Safari series 1&2**

Dir/Cameraman  
6x 30mins series following a family involved in capturing large and dangerous game  
Exec: D Templar

**BBC NHU** for BBC1

## Documentary Features

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### **Okavango River of Dreams**

Phantom operator

3x 1hour Documentaries capturing the magic of the Delta in Botswana

**Terra Mater/ Nat Geo**

### **Living with Tigers**

D.O.P/Underwater

3x 1hour Documentaries following two tigers adventures in Africa over 3 years and their successful release into the wild. World's first underwater Tiger shots.

**Londolzi Prods** for [Discovery](#)

### **Bodicea**

D.O.P

The life and times of Bodicea

**Mentorn** for [Channel 5](#)

### **Edge of manhood**

Director/DOP/Producer

A Xhosa boy's story about circumcision Shot on the Wild Coast of S Africa

**Lighthunter Prods** for [Discovery](#)

### **Carte Blanche**

D.O.P

Multi-award winning investigative reporting Programme in the 60 minutes format

- 'Elder Abuse' (African Journalist of the Year Award)
- 'Tuli Elephants'
- 'Tow Truckers' (Craft Award at Avanti Awards)

**Backyard Prods** for [Mnet](#)

### **Duty Calls**

D.O.P

6x 1hour series following S African policemen Bulletproof vests a necessity

**Optumen Prods** for [Discovery](#)

### **The Tropic of Capricorn**

Dir/Camera Operator/UW

6x 1hour adventure series, travelling around the world by land on the Tropic of Capricorn Exec: K Holgate

**Odyssey** for [National Geographic](#)

### **Tiger Diaries**

Dir/Camera Operator

6x 30mins A day in the life of two tigers and their trainers

**Londolzi Prods** for [Discovery](#)

### **3 Minutes**

Dir/Camera Operator

A documentary connecting 36 countries

**Angelina Jolie Prods** for [CNN](#)

for 3 minutes-featuring Colin Farrel, Ryan Gosling and Angelina Jolie

### **Code Red**

Dir/Camera Operator  
Doci-Feature  
Following S African Paramedics  
In Johannesburg

**RDF Media** for Discovery

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## **Education, Qualifications and Skills**

GSS/ Shotover tech  
Dive Master **PADI** Qualified with 3000+ dives  
Underwater cameraman (all formats)  
IRATA trained  
Aerial cameraman  
Phantom, Macro, Movi, long lens fluent  
Greencard  
Hostile Environments trained  
3 years Big Cat Training  
4x4 Driving  
Horse riding  
Surfing

## Awards

Emmy Award for cinematography Survivor 'Heroes vs Villians'  
Winner Best Ecosystem Film - Long Form, Jackson Wild Film Festival 2020  
Winner Best Documentary Cinematography, New York Cinematography Awards (NYCA) 2020.  
'Okavango-River of Dreams'  
Combined Artists Award cinematography 'Howling'  
Avanti Editing Award 'Video Technology'  
Avanti Craft Award for hidden camera technology 'Tow Truckers'  
Panda Award 'Lost Land of the Volcano'  
The Guild of TV Cameramen Awards - Camera Team Excellence in Photography 'The Apprentice'  
25 Emmy nominations for Cinematography including 'Whale Wars'

## **Personal Details**

Age	45
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Driving License	Full and current for USA, South Africa, E.U.
Nationality	Dual Citizen of Ireland and S African, Greencard in USA
Languages	English, Afrikaans/Dutch, Zulu

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**Phil Keoghan- Exec Producer Amazing Race/TAN**  
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