

James Elias

Steadicam Owner / Operator

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BIO

I started my career over 13 years ago at Tiffen Steadicam working alongside the legendary Oscar-winning Steadicam Inventor, Garrett Brown. Whilst there, I became a Steadicam instructor teaching and assisting all over Europe for organisations such as YLE Television in Finland, DR (Danish Broadcasting Corporation), BBC Training and Development in the UK and Filmbase in Ireland. I developed a two day course format bringing the "Bronze" Steadicam training workshop to the UK and Europe for the first time. I was also heavily involved in the day to day running of Steadicam, preparing equipment, maintaining parts, giving film school demos, and liaising with operators providing technical support. In addition, I spent nearly two months at the Steadicam Facility in Glendale, California learning to build and service certain mechanical components of the rigs such as stages, gimbals, and the latest generation of arms.

After 4 years, I left to begin my freelance career as a Steadicam Operator. Since then, I've gained a large variety of credits; including the BAFTA and Emmy-nominated Channel 4 / Netflix comedy drama "**The End of the F***ing World**"; music videos for artists such as **The Vamps**, **Rag 'n' Bone Man**, **Busted** and **McFly**; and many live broadcasts for the **BBC** during the EU Referendum and subsequent General Election campaign.

I have credits spanning **Drama**, **Commercials**, **Promos**, and **Live Television** - one of few who can comfortably work in all the disciplines. I enjoy the unique challenges of all genres.

My ultimate aim is to help deliver the vision of the DP and Director, whatever the challenge may be.

I own a top of the range Steadicam rig suitable for any professional HD Broadcast, Film or Digital Cinema camera.

EDUCATION

Broadcast Operations and Production - Ravensbourne College of Design and Communication, Kent, UK
Tiffen Steadicam Trained - BBC Training and Development, Wood Norton, UK & SOA Workshop, Atlanta, GA, USA
Additional Technical, Assembly and Maintenance Training - Tiffen Steadicam Factory, Glendale, CA, USA

EQUIPMENT

Top of the range Steadicam rig, including:

// GPI PRO CineLive Sled
// GPI PRO Arm
// Walter Klassen Universal Harness
// Transvideo 8" CineMonitorHD X-SBL
// Axis1 Single Channel LCS

Lots of accessories - Klassen Vehicle Mount, Power Cables, Broadcast Tally & Zoom/Focus demand, Wind killers, etc.

SHOWREEL

To view my online showreel, please visit: www.jameselias.com



SELECTED DRAMA CREDITS

	<i>Director / DOP</i>	<i>Production Company</i>
The End Of The F***ing World	Jonathan Entwistle, Lucy Tcherniak / Justin Brown, Ben Fordesman	Clerkenwell Films for Channel 4/Netflix
Doctor Who: Revolution of the Daleks (Dailies)	Lee Haven Jones / Luke Bryant	BBC Studios
Saint Maud (Dailies)	Rose Glass / Ben Fordesman	Film4 / BFI Film / Canal+
Trollied: The Wedding (Christmas Special)	Paul Murphy / Luke Bryant	Roughcut for Sky One
Urban Myths: Johnny Cash and the Ostrich	Al Campbell / Luke Bryant	Avalon Entertainment for Sky Arts
The End Of The F***ing World (Film4 Pilot)	Jonathan Entwistle / Justin Brown	Film4
Doctors Series 14 (Select Episodes)	Simon Gibney / Scott Milton	BBC Birmingham

SELECTED LIVE & BROADCAST TV CREDITS

McFly: All About Us (Live at Union Chapel)	David Spearing / Dax Debice	ITV Studios
BBC Election 2019 (New Broadcasting House OB)	Marcus Viner / Sam Keogh (Camera Supervisor)	BBC Studios Events
McFly Live at the O2 Arena	David Spearing / Dax Debice	Happy Entertainment
Brexit Debate: A Very British Coup?	Rob Hopkin	Mentorn for Channel 4
BBC Question Time: May & Corbyn Leaders Special 2017	Rob Hopkin	Mentorn for BBC one
Election 2017: Where You Are	Julie Hay	BBC East
Election 2017: Scottish Leaders' Debate	Rob Hopkin	Mentorn for BBC Scotland
CNN Inspirations: Body Smart & Wild Discoveries	Stephen Howie	CNN International
CNN Inspirations: Out Of This World & Incredible Survivors	Stephen Howie	CNN International
BBC Question Time: Brexit Result Special	Claire Bellis	Mentorn for BBC one
Question Time: EU Specials - The Case For Remain & Leave	Rob Hopkin	Mentorn for BBC one
BBC London - Better In Or Out?	Rob Hopkin / Dominic Roberts (Camera Supervisor)	BBC News London
How Should I Vote? The EU Debate	Rob Hopkin	Mentorn for BBC Scotland
Busted: Pigs Can Fly Tour (Live from Wembley Arena)	David Spearing / Dax Debice	Happy Entertainment
London's Mayor: The Big Debate	Rob Hopkin / Dominic Roberts (Camera Supervisor)	BBC News London
Brain Games: Meet The Brain	Rachel Maguire / Wes Dorman	National Geographic
BBC Question Time (Select Programmes 2015-2018)	Rob Hopkin	Mentorn for BBC one

SELECTED COMMERCIALS & BRANDED CREDITS

David Walliams - Beast of Buckingham Palace	Nick Bacash / Ruaraid Achilleos-Sarll	20Ten
Judge Romesh Promo (Dave TV Series)	Martin Graham / Gareth Munden	UKTV
Jo Malone - Lavender	Emma Dalzell / James Henry	CLM Agency
Man Utd Chevrolet Fan Cup - Denis Irwin & Dwight Yorke	Vlad Jakovlev / Matthew Ervin Taylor	Whitecoat
Google Expeditions	Stefan Hunt / Matthew Ervin Taylor	Across The Pond
Sarah Beeny's Tepilo	Pardeep Sahota / Gareth Munden	Channel 5 Creative
Red Bull - Inspiration Day	Shan Phearon / Charlie Goodger	Red Bull
Jackpot 247 "Cake"	Omar Hilal / Joshua Fry	River Film
Daily Mail £1m Lotto Giveaway	Nick Parish / Matt Broad	Milkwood
Panasonic India "Katrina Kaif"	Anthony Leonardi / Vikas Sivaraman	Vienna Films

SELECTED MUSIC PROMO CREDITS

Cher Lloyd - M.I.A	Raja Virdi / Daniel Stafford-Clark	Phase Films for Universal Music
The Vamps - Hair Too Long	Dean Sherwood / David Spearing	Universal Music
Tom Misch & Loyle Carner - Water Baby	Georgia Hudson / Ben Fordesman	Agile Films
Foxes - Cruel	Olof Lindh / Jacob Møller	B-Reel Films
New Hope Club - Medicine	Dean Sherwood / David Spearing	Happy Entertainment
Rhodes - Close Your Eyes	Jon White / Matthew Ervin Taylor	Chief
Rag n Bone Man - Hard Came The Rain	Nick Rutter / Ben Fordesman	Sonny
McFly - Love Is Easy	David Spearing / Marcus Domleo	Happy Entertainment