# Gemma Morton

# Choreographer // Movement Director

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Choreographer and Movement Director specialising in Ballroom and Latin Dance. Whilst pursuing my dance career, I spent seven years working as an Assistant Director, mainly across TV Drama and Features, but also in Commercials, Pop Promos, and Multi-Camera studio-based shows. Particularly experienced in working with large crowds and background cast - coupled with my dance training, I am uniquely placed to understand the artistic and logistic requirements of a production. I have provided coaching for actors preparing for roles that require dance skills and confidence, movement direction for human and non-human characters, and choreography and training for dancers of different genres for TV and Film.

As a Choreographer and Dance Coach, I have also worked across Reality, Scripted Reality, Daytime and Entertainment genres.

# CREDITS

2018	' <b>IRONBARK'</b> Dir: Dominic Cooke 42/Sunnymarch Dance Adviser & Coach to Benedict Cumberbatch, Merab Ninidze and Jessie Buckley
2018	<b>'CREEPED OUT' Series 2</b> Dir: Gareth Tunley CBBC Productions <i>Movement Director</i>
2018	' <b>OLIVIA AND ALEX SAID YES'</b> Angel Eye Media/TLC TV Choreographer
2017	' <b>MADE IN CHELSEA'</b> Monkey Kingdom/E4 Featured Dancer
2016	' <b>INTERLUDE IN PRAGUE'</b> Stillking Productions Dance Coach to Charlotte Peters
2015	' <b>THIS MORNING'</b> ITV Productions Assistant Choreographer – Wedding segment
2014	' <b>DANCING WITH THE STARS' (ALBANIA)</b> Initial Coach and Choreographer to Tuna Sejdi

#### DANCE AND MOVEMENT SPECIALISMS

- International Ballroom Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Quickstep, Viennese Waltz
- International Latin Cha-Cha-Cha, Rumba, Samba, Jive, Paso Doble
- Social Dance Styles Salsa, Brazilian Samba
- Historic Dance Variants The Twist, Rock and Roll, Disco
- Movement Direction (human and non-human)
  - creating movement for creatures and animatronics
  - applying non-human movement styles to character e.g zombie, robot
  - musical movement direction/characterisation (piano, flute)

# QUALIFICATIONS

- ISTD Professional Ballroom and Latin Associate
- BA (Hons) Business Management 2:1 (University of Leeds)

#### PREVIOUS CREDITS AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director 'Love Matters' ITV Comedy
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director 'Misfits' Series 4 Clerkenwell Films
- $3^{\rm rd}$  Assistant Director 'Mount Pleasant' Tiger Aspect
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director 'Blackout' Red Productions
- 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director 'The Family Firm' Projector Pictures
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director 'Whitechapel' Series 3 Carnival Films
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director 'Holy Flying Circus' Hillbilly Films/BBC
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director '32 Brinkburn Street' BBC Drama
- $3^{\rm rd}$  Assistant Director 'Secret Diary of A Call Girl 4' Tiger Aspect
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director 'A Passionate Woman' Roll'em/BBC
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Director 'Secret Diary of A Call Girl 3' Tiger Aspect
- Floor Runner 'Lewis' Series 4 ITV Drama
- Floor Runner 'All The Small Things' BBC Drama
- Floor Runner 'Blue Murder' Series 5 ITV Granada Drama

# Dailies – various as 3<sup>rd</sup> AD, Crowd AD and 2<sup>nd</sup> Unit 1<sup>st</sup> AD

'Call The Midwife' Series 2 – Neal Street, 'Starlings' – Baby Cow Productions, 'The Borrowers' – Working Title Films, 'Pete versus Life' – Objective Productions, 'Holy Flying Circus' – Hillbilly Films/BBC, 'Any Human Heart' – Carnival Films, - 'The King's Speech' – Feature, 'Secret Diary of A Call Girl' – ITV, 'Britannia High' - ITV Granada Drama

#### **Commercials/Promos**

-Various, for companies including Partizan, Kream London, Palladium Sweden, The Gate Films, Knucklehead, RSA Films, ITN

#### References and showreels available on request.