

Kevin Griffiths

Curriculum vitae

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BA Hons in animation

Grade 2-1

Surrey Institute of Art and Design.

BAFTA Award winning Animation Director, Animator, Puppeteer, Puppet-maker and Teacher.
Over 20 years working on numerous television programmes, Commercials, promos and live shows

AWARDS

BAFTA - Best Children's Television Programme 1993
Royal Television Society - Best Children's Series 1994
New York Film Festival - Gold Medal 1993
Nomination - Best Children's Entertainment -
British Animation Awards 1996

RECENT COMMISSIONS

2008 **TATE GALLERY**

Gifted by Nature

Working with teenage refugees producing films inspired by the artist Roni Horn.

2009 **ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL**

Splash, Young Visions

Working with Young Visions and 10 schools in Southwark I lead workshops where children made the props, sets, backdrops, costumes and full size shadow puppets for a dance and musical show performed at the Festival Hall.

2009 **COURT YARD THEATRE**

Mistero Buffo, Think Tank

I was invited to join a cast of six performers to do live projection puppetry for a multi-media theatrical production.

ANIMATION, Television and other Commercial Work

Directing

1993 **Jane Hissey's Old Bear Stories**
1994 Ealing Animation / Carlton Television
1997 39 x 10 minute episodes plus 2 x half hour Christmas specials

1997 **Bob the Builder** (3 minute pilot.)
Hit Entertainment & Ealing Animation.

Director & Animator

- 1995 **‘El-Nombre’ –
Number-Time
‘Mouse House’ –
Hotch Potch House - Rat-a-Tat-Tat
BBC1 series**
- 1992 **Magic Roundabout**
6 minute spoof
Personal Project
- 1994 **Shrinky kid**
Meridian
3 minute pilot

Animator and puppet maker

- 1994 **Mouse House Stories**
1995 **El-Nombre - Number-time**
BBC
- 1990-1994 **The Ginger Bread Man**
1990 **Wombles**
Huxley Pig
Filmfair for I.T.V.
Puppet Repairs
- 2004 **Humungus Mr Lungus**
2002 **The Great Rabies Outbreak**
Give the dog a bone
First light project.
Film & video Workshop
- 2000 **Benny the Breakdown Truck**
4D Films
Commissioned by Willy Smax
90 second Pilot

PUPPETRY, Television, Promos and Pilots

Director of Puppetry

- 1998 **Kevin the Cowboy**
Owl and the Pussy Cat
Rat a Tat Tat
Open minds for Channel 4
3 minute inserts

PUPPETRY, Television, Promos and Pilots

Puppet Operating and Puppet Making:

- 1998** **Kevin the cowboy**
Owl and the pussycat
Open minds for Channel 4
(Paper and Rod puppets)
- 2005** **Europigeon**
John Shuttleworth for BBC
(Rod puppets)
(Terry Wogan as Gnome/ Genie)
- 2006** **The Big Spot**
Two sides TV for Channel 4
(TV puppet presenters)
- 2000** **Ni Ni's Tree house**
GMTV
(puppeteer)
- 2000** **Mop-a-top Shop**
Jim Henson's Production
(Second hand puppeteer)
- 2001** **'I'm just your puppet on a string**
London Beat, Promo (Ventriloquist dummies)
- 2003** **Ozmo**
BBC Learning, Ealing Animation
(Walkabout puppet with remote control mechanism and glove puppet)
- 2007** **The Fimbles**
Paz the penguin
Nealscam studios for BBC

PUPPETRY, Theatre, Museums and Art Centres

Puppet Operating

- 2007** London Theatre Museum (The Tillers Clowes Marionette operator)
Murder in the red barn.
- 2007-2009** The Moving Stage (Live show-rod puppets)
Captain Grimy
Three little pigs
The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse
- 2005-2006** The Puppet Theatre Barge (String marionette operator)
Sir Gawain and the Green Knight
The Midsummer's night dream

TEACHING

- Current** **4 Steps to Animation**
Puppetry workshops with Performance at the Puppet Theatre Barge
Devised and leading workshops for adults and teenagers.
- 2006 -2009** **Children's Workshops**
Young Visions
Teaching shadow puppetry to young children at over 30 schools, mostly in the Southwark area.
- 2004 -2009** **Film and Video workshop**
Teaching various courses in Stop-motion animation catering to groups of children, teenagers, adults and teachers.
- 1999 - 2004** **Visiting Lecturer / Workshop Leader- universities and colleges**
- *Central St Martins.*
 - *Cavendish College*
 - *Wimbledon school of Art and Design*
 - *Pontypridd Mid-Glamorgan Centre of Art and Design.*
 - *Surrey Institute of Art and Design.*