

Alastair Bruce OBE

Historical Advisor

Credits include:

BELGRAVIA: THE NEXT CHAPTER

Drama Series
Period: 1870s

Director: John Alexander
Producer: Colin Wratten
Writer: Helen Edmundson
Featuring: tba
Prod Co: Carnival Film & Television / Epix Studios

DOWNTON ABBEY: A NEW ERA

Romantic Drama
Period: 1928

Director: Simon Curtis
Producers: Julian Fellowes, Gareth Neame, Liz Trubridge
Writer: Julian Fellowes
Featuring: Maggie Smith, Joanne Froggatt, Michelle Dockery
Prod Co: Carnival Film & Television / Universal Pictures

BELGRAVIA

Drama Series
Period: 1840s

Director: John Alexander
Producer: Colin Wratten
Writer: Julian Fellowes
Featuring: Alice Eve, Philip Glennister, Harriet Walter
Prod Co: Carnival Film & Television / ITV

THE ENGLISH GAME

Historical Drama Series
Period: 1879

Director: Birgitte Staermose
Producer: Rhonda Smith
Writer: Julian Fellowes
Featuring: Edward Holcroft, Charlotte Hope, Daniel Ings
Prod Co: 42 / Netflix

DOWNTON ABBEY

Romantic Drama
Period: 1927

Director: Michael Engler
Producers: Julian Fellowes, Gareth Neame, Liz Trubridge
Writer: Julian Fellowes
Featuring: Michelle Dockery, Matthew Goode, Tuppence Middleton
Prod Co: Carnival Film & Television / Focus Features
Universal Pictures

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN

Historical Musical Drama
Period: 1844

Director: Michael Gracey
Producers: Peter Chernin, Laurence Mark, Jenno Topping
Writer: Jenny Bicks, Bill Condon
Featuring: Hugh Jackman, Michelle Williams, Zac Efron
Prod Co: Chernin Ent. / TSG Ent. / Twentieth Century Fox

VICEROY'S HOUSE

Historical Drama
Period: 1947

Director: Gurinder Chadha
Producers: Paul Mayeda Berges, Gurinder Chadha, Deepak Nayar
Writers: Paul Mayeda Berges, Moira Buffini, Gurinder Chadha
Featuring: Gillian Anderson, Hugh Bonneville, Michael Gambon
Prod Co: BBC Films / Bend It Films / Pathé

VICTORIA

Historical Drama Series
Period: 1830s-1840s

Directors: Oliver Blackburn, Sandra Goldbacher, Tom Vaughan
Lisa James-Larsson, Geoff Sax, Jim Loach
Producers: David Boulter, Paul Frift
Writer: Daisy Goodwin
Featuring: Jenna Coleman, Tom Hughes, Nell Hudson
Prod Co: Mammoth Screen / ITV

THE HALCYON

Drama Series
Period: 1940

Directors: Rob Evans, Justin Hardy
Philip John, Stephen Woolfenden
Producer: Chris Croucher
Writer: Charlotte Jones
Featuring: Hermione Corfield, Jamie Blackley, Matt Ryan
Prod Co: Left Bank Pictures / ITV

DOWNTON ABBEY

Drama Series
Period: 1912-1925

Directors: Ben Bolt, Jon East, David Evans, Michael Engler
Philip John, Brian Kelly, Andy Goddard, Ed Hall
Catherine Morshead, Minkie Spiro, James Strong
Ashley Pearce, Brian Percival, Jeremy Webb
Producers: Chris Croucher, Rupert Ryle-Hodges, Nigel Marchant
Series Producer: Liz Trubridge
Writer: Julian Fellowes
Featuring: Maggie Smith, Michelle Dockery, Hugh Bonneville
Prod Co: Carnival Film & Television / ITV

BAFTA Nomination for Best Drama Series
National Television Award for Most Popular Drama
EMMY Award for Outstanding Mini Series or Made for Television Movie
Golden Globe Award for Best Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made for Television

INDIAN SUMMERS

Historical Drama Series
Period: 1932

Directors: John Alexander, Paul Wilmshurst, Jonathan Teplitzky
David Moore, Jamie Payne, Anand Tucker
Producers: Dan McCulloch, Dan Winch
Writer: Paul Rutman
Featuring: Julie Walters, Jemima West, Henry Lloyd-Hughes
Prod Co: New Productions / Channel 4

LOVE'S LABOUR'S LOST (1914)
LOVE'S LABOUR'S WON (1918)

Featuring: Edward Bennett, Michelle Terry, John Hodgkinson
Tunji Kasim, Flora Spencer-Longhurst
Director: Christopher Luscombe
Company: RSC – Stratford-upon-Avon

THE KING'S SPEECH

Historical Drama
Period: 1925 - 1945

Director: Tom Hooper
Producers: Iain Canning, Emile Sherman, Gareth Unwin
Writer: David Seidler
Featuring: Helena Bonham Carter, Colin Firth, Geoffrey Rush
Prod Co: See Saw Films / Bedlam Productions

BAFTA Award for Best Film
Academy Award for Best Picture
BIFA Award for Best British Independent Film
Golden Globe Nomination for Best Motion Picture

THE YOUNG VICTORIA

Dramatisation of the turbulent first years of Queen Victoria's rule,
and her enduring romance with Prince Albert.
Period: 1824 - 1843

Director: Jean-Marc Vallée
Producers: Graham King, Martin Scorsese
Sarah Ferguson, Tim Headington
Writer: Julian Fellowes
Featuring: Paul Bettany, Emily Blunt, Rupert Friend
Prod Co: GK Films

THE PRINCE AND THE PAUPER

Adaptation of the Mark Twain novel about two boys who trade clothing and then their lives.
Period: 1540-1553

Director:
Producer:
Writer
Featuring:

Andrew Morgan
Julian Fellowes
Julian Fellowes
Philip Sarson, Keith Michell

CROWN MATRIMONIAL

Royce Ryton's 1972 play about the abdication crisis.

Director:
Producer:
Writer:
Featuring:
Prod Co:
Theatre:

David Grindley
Nick Salmon
Royce Ryton
Rufus Wright, Richard Hansell, Patricia Routledge
ACT Productions
UK Tour (2008)

Fitzalan Pursuivant of Arms Extraordinary:

Advisor to Garter King of Arms at the College of Arms on provenance of State Ceremonial, Royal Heraldry and media matters. Expert on British Coronation.

Broadcaster / Commentator:

With his extensive knowledge of institutions, their modern role, history, traditions and ceremonial provenance, Alastair explains constitutional and religious, national and international ceremonial events and their constitutional provenance for SKY News and ABC News.
Presenter of On Her Majesty's Service and A Soldier Returns.....

Author:**DAYS OF MAJESTY**

Published by Macmillan, May 1993

With photographs taken behind the scenes, often where cameras have never been before, this book is a celebration of the 40th anniversary of Elizabeth II's coronation.

KEEPERS OF THE KINGDOM: The Ancient Offices of Britain

Published by Cassell Illustrated, September 1999

For centuries the exercise of privilege and power in Britain has been vested in individuals with resounding titles. In this illustrated book, the authors explore a thousand years of history as revealed in the title, dress and ceremonies of one hundred of these ancient office bearers.

KEEPERS OF THE KINGDOM: The Ancient Offices of Britain

Jubilee Edition Published by Cassell Illustrated, May 2002

The whole of the royal family agreed to be photographed for this new updated, lengthened and revised edition.

The book spectacularly combines photographs of holders of ancient offices, wearing the appropriate dress, with a fascinating text on the history of Britain

THE OLDEST in Celebration of Britains Living History

Published by Cassell Illustrated, October 2005

Britain's rich history comes alive in this fascinating compilation of the oldest everything throughout the British Isles - from people to commerce, society to nature, and transportation to the military. Visit London's Ram Brewery, still standing where it was founded in 1581. Step aboard the Empire's oldest commissioned warship "HMS Victory," a veteran of Trafalgar. And meet the Baron of Bachuil, holder of the oldest title in British aristocracy. These and hundreds more "oldests" are detailed in this testament to Britain's extraordinary legacy

KEEPERS OF THE KINGDOM: The Ancient Offices of Britain

Publisher - Cassell Illustrated

Factual Programme Maker:

THE CORONATION

1 hr Documentary marking the 65th anniversary of the Queen's Coronation, Queen Elizabeth II herself shares her memories of the ceremony for the first time, and showcases the Crown Jewels like never before.

Director/Producer: Harvey Lilley
Exec Producers:: Anthony Geffen, Charles Poe, David Royle
Production Co: Atlantic Productions / BBC One

Developing a new history series with Atlantic Productions about UK institutions and their provenance. Originated DAYS OF MAJESTY, a two-hour programme on British ceremonial meaning broadcast on ITV.