

# **John FD Northover**

## **Director Producer Writer**

John FD Northover is one of the UK and Ireland's most innovative and experienced directors, who has helped devise some of the nations' most popular television. In 2015, John was awarded the Emmy for best director of a live or recorded live programme. Uniquely creative with a deep understanding of format and content this Bafta award-winning director, although rooted in entertainment and comedy, is at home equally in factual, factual entertainment, life style or live event.

Be it:

### **Panel Show**

Have I Got News For You, If I Ruled The World

### **Prime Time**

The Dame Edna Treatment, The All Ireland Talent Show

### **Scripted and Non-scripted Comedy**

The Angelos Neil Epithemiou Show, 3 Non Blondes, Whose Line is it Anyway?

### **Children's**

OMG! It's Jedward's Dream Factory. Harry Hill's Shark Infested Custard, SMTV:CDUK

### **Factual**

Nick Hewer – The Farm Fixer, Embarrassing Bodies: Live from the Clinic

### **Food**

Gordon Ramsay: Cookalong Live, Paul and Nick's Big Food Trip, The F Word

His inspirational approach makes him a natural team leader and an empathetic team player. His ability to originate and edit scripts, devise and manage budgets and think "outside of the box" enables him to find fast cost effective solutions to creative and editorial problems in pre planning, live or in the edit. He understands talent, be it actor or comedian, contributor or commissioning editor and he never allows lack of money to curb his editorial vision.

## **Professional Experience**

- Freelance Single and Multi Camera Director
- Over 20 years' Broadcast Experience
- Writing and Producing new comedy formats
- Overseeing Series Edits
- Specialising in Entertainment and Comedy
- Series Producing new formats from pitch through pilot to series
- Recruiting and Managing large teams of talented technicians
- Nurturing new talent in all areas of the industry
- Brainstorming and shaping editorial
- Motivating and training staff
- Managing tight budgets and tough deadlines

- Directing, actors, comedians, dancers, journalists, musicians, presenters children and animals
- Devising and designing title sequences
- Inspiring and overseeing design departments; Set, Costume, Lighting, Graphics
- Helping all deliver their best- often exceeding their own expectations
- Seeking out talent wherever it resides.

## Credits

<b>BBC</b>	<b>ITV</b>
<p>Getaways            Trish Deseine's Doorstep Food            Nick Hower: The Farm Fixer            Ultimate Sports Day            Have I Got News For You            Room 101            BBC3: The Launch            Christmas with the Priests            3 Non Blondes            Question Time            Can't Sing Singers            Killing Time            Celebrity Fame Academy            Find me the Funny            The Enemy Within            The Magic Party            Satellite City            The Fight            Lipsmackin'            Liar            No Win No Fee            If I ruled the world            Gaytime TV            The Brain Drain            Rock the Blind            On the Waterfront            Wizbang            Chucklevision            Eggs ' n' Baker            Celebrating Music from Northern Ireland            Christmas from Belfast            Homelands</p>	<p>Paul and Nick's Big Canadian Food Trip            Paul and Nick's Big American Food Trip            The All Star Impression Show            The Dame Edna Treatment            Paul and Nick's Big Food Trip            The Frank Skinner Show            Harry Hill's Shark Infested Custard            Baddiel and Skinner Unplanned            This Morning            Casting Couch            Meet The Popstars            Stars in their Eyes            SMTV; CDUK</p> <p><b>Channel 4</b></p> <p>The Angelos Neil Epithemiou Show            Embarrassing Bodies: Live from the Clinic            The F Word            Gordon Ramsay; Cookalong Live            The Last Word            The Charlotte Church Show            Win my Wage            Grand Slam            Something for the Weekend            Dicing with Debt            Whose Line is it Anyway?            Nothing but the Truth            Late Lunch            The Big Breakfast</p>

<p><b>RTE</b></p> <p>Big Week on the Farm  Daniel O'Donnell and Friends  At Your Service: To The Rescue  Una's Dream Ticket Series 1 &amp; 2  School Around The Corner  Getaways  OMG: Jedward's Dream Factory  Francis Brennan's Grand Tour  The All Ireland Talent Show  Wagon's Den  Tonight with Craig Doyle  Tommy and Hector's Craic House</p>	<p><b>Channel 5</b></p> <p>The Great Christmas Toy Giveaway  Marco Pierre White's Kitchen Wars  The Joan Rivers Position</p> <p><b>Other</b></p> <p>E Live From The Red Carpet: The Bafta Film Awards  Disney: Goalmouth  Sassy Films: Numerous Live Film Premieres  Tern Television: Land of Giants</p>
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**Education**

John FD Northover was educated at Sullivan Upper School, Holywood and the Queen's University of Belfast where he graduated with a joint honours degree in English and French. He is a Licentiate of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama and an Associate of the London College of Music.

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