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

BBC ITV

Getaways

Trish Deseine's Doorstep Food Nick Hewer: 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

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

Channel 4

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

RTE

Big Week on the Farm
Daniel O'Donnell and Friends
At Your Service: To The Rescue
Una's Dream Ticket Series 1 & 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

Channel 5

The Great Christmas Toy Giveaway Marco Pierre White's Kitchen Wars The Joan Rivers Position

Other

E Live From The Red Carpet: The Bafta Film

Awards

Disney: Goalmouth

Sassy Films: Numerous Live Film Premieres

Tern Television: Land of Giants

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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