

HOTHOUSE

('hot,haus) n. an environment that encourages rapid development

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James Seymour Brett has come through in the last few years as a versatile, international talent, scoring projects in all genres and media.

His style ranges from the large, upscale orchestral grandeur of BATMAN LIVE, WALKING WITH DINOSAURS & PLANET 51, to smaller, more intimate works such as L'HISTOIRE DE NOS PETITES MORTS, OUTPOST, and THE LIFE AND DEATH OF PETER SELLERS to collaborative orchestral projects with artists such as METALLICA and POLLY SCATTERGOOD. In addition to film projects James has enjoyed success on Network TV with two seasons of the cult drama HEX for Sky 1 and CRUSOE for NBC. Also in his early career he was fortunate to have worked with the late Michael Kamen on projects such as BAND OF BROTHERS and FROM THE EARTH TO THE MOON.

In May last year, James once again collaborated with Roland Emmerich on his major film WHITE HOUSE DOWN. Previous Emmerich projects include 2012, 10,000 BC and ANONYMOUS. James spent the summer working on ONE CHANCE (THE WEINSTEIN COMPANY) working closely Paul Potts and James Corden producing their vocal performances and arranging the material. James also composed the score to Stephen Frears film LAY THE FAVOURITE, which demanded a quirky, Americana-style score covering rock, blues & folk genres. The movie stars Rebecca Hall, Bruce Willis and Catherine Zeta Jones.

James is currently working on Ron Howard's film Heart Of The Sea.

2012 was a busy year for James as he masterminded and conducted the QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS with the BBC, working alongside artists such as Elton John, Paul McCartney, Annie Lennox and Stevie Wonder, whilst also overseeing the release of his specially commissioned LONDON OLYMPICS 2012 album.

After graduating from The Royal Academy of Music in 1997 James was immediately hired by the acclaimed composer MICHAEL KAMEN. James' further contribution to film scores includes writing collaborations with Kamen on features such as THE EVENT HORIZON, WHAT DREAMS MAY COME, THE IRON GIANT, FREQUENCY, X-MEN THE MOVIE, and the epic mini series, BAND OF BROTHERS produced by Steven Spielberg. In this period James also co-produced and provided additional score on Paramount's AGAINST THE ROPES.

In 1999 James helped mastermind the ambitious and groundbreaking concert that saw METALLICA pair up with THE SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA as assistant Musical Director. The album has since sold over 5 million copies worldwide. In 2002 James went on to plan and execute, again as assistant Musical Director and in close partnership with the BBC, PARTY AT THE PALACE (part of the Queen's Golden Jubilee Celebrations). This unprecedented and star-studded event was broadcast live to a multi-million audience worldwide with a gold CD in less than a week. James co-ordinated and arranged many of the collaborations both with traditional rock pairings and new orchestral interpretations.

Film

AUGUST: OSAGE COUNTY

Dir. John Wells | The Weinstein Company

WHITE HOUSE DOWN

Dir. Roland Emmerich | Columbia Pictures

ONE CHANCE

Dir. David Frankel | The Weinstein Company

LAY THE FAVORITE

Dir. Stephen Frears | Emmett/Furla Films

L'HISTOIRE DE NOS PETITES MORT

Dir. David Chidlow | Campfire Stories

GEOGRAPHY OF THE HAPLESS HEART

Dir. David Allain | Saetre Films

ANONYMOUS

Dir. Roland Emmerich | Studio Babelsberg

2012

Dir. Roland Emmerich | Columbia Pictures

PLANET 51

Dir. Jorge Blanco | Sony Pictures

OUTPOST

Dir. Steve Barker | Matador Pictures

THE GOLDEN COMPASS - "LYRA" End titles.

Performed by Kate Bush

10,000BC

Dir. Roland Emmerich | Warner Bros.

TRANSFORMERS

Dir. Michael Bay | Dreamworks

NANNY DIARIES

Dir. Shari Springer Berman / Robert Pulcini | The Weinstein Company

FOUR LAST SONGS

Dir. Francesca Joseph | BBC Films

MRS. HARRIS

Dir. Phyllis Nagy | Number 9 Films

THE ISLAND

Dir. Michael Bay | Dreamworks

WOMAN ON THE BEACH

Dir. Catherine McCormack | Woman on the Beach Ltd.

DIE STORMFLUT

Dir. Jorgo Papavassiliou | teamWorx Produktion

ALIEN VS. PREDATOR

Dir. Paul W.S. Anderson | 20th Century Fox

GLADIATRICESS

Dir. Brian Grant | Icon Entertainment

ELLA ENCHANTED

Dir. Tommy O'Haver | Miramax

THE LIFE AND DEATH OF PETER SELLERS

Dir. Stephen Hopkins | Labrador Films

DANIEL AND THE SUPERDOGS

Dir. Andre Melancon | Zephyr Films

Television

CRUSOE

Prods. Marc Van Buuren & Justin Bodle | NBC

HEX: Seasons 1 & 2

Dir. Brian Grant | SKY One

TR: AMERICAN LION

Prod. Raymond Bridgers | Greystone TV

Concerts/Arena Shows

QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Conductor, Arranger and Orchestrator for live concert at Buckingham Palace

BATMAN - LIVE

Composer - current project for Warner Bros./DC Comics

WALKING WITH DINOSAURS - THE LIVE EXPERIENCE

Composed and conducted original score Australian Tour Jan - April '07, US Tour July '07 -

QUEEN'S GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Assistant Musical Director for live concert in Buckingham Palace Gardens

Arranger/Coordinator of Music Live Beacons event

METALLICA S&M

Assistant Musical Director San Francisco, Berlin, New York

EMI 'WHEN LOVE SPEAKS' RADA BENEFIT ALBUM

Co-producer, Assistant Musical Director @ live concert launch, album

WINTER OLYMPICS OPENING CEREMONY 2002

Co-producer/Assistant Musical Director for album/live event

Orchestration/Arranging

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Commercials

CRYSIS II - EA Games featuring Polly Scattergood

FLORA - voyage

VIRGIN TRAINS - falling in love

STELLA ARTOIS - circus

VIRGIN ATLANTIC - kitty hawk

VODAFONE - work and play

VODAFONE - speech bubbles

Pop/Classical - musical director/arranger

KYLIE, JLS, ROBBIE WILLIAMS, THE ROYAL PALACE GUARDS, GRACE JONES, MADNESS, GARY BARLOW, CHERYL COLE, THE LAST SHADOW PUPPETS, ALFIE BOE, SOPHIE SOLOMON, PAUL MCCARTNEY, BRIAN WILSON, BRIAN MAY, JOE COCKER, OZZY OSBOURNE, ANNIE LENNOX, PHIL COLLINS, TONY BENNET, RICKY MARTIN, MIS-TEEQ, BLUE, WILL YOUNG, DES'REE, ERIC CLAPTON, BRYAN FERRY, ATOMIC KITTEN, THE CORRS, METALLICA & SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, HAYLEY WESTENRA