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BIO

Jono Grant, Composer, Producer and Multi-instrumentalist has built a diverse portfolio of audio work over the last 20 years, spanning many genres and every form of media. He has scored over 300 episodes for numerous series including “Undergrads” (Teletoon/MTV), “Radio Free Roscoe” (Family Channel) and “Captain Flamingo” (YTV), earning a 2006 Gemini nomination for best original score in an animated series. Jono recently scored the Lifetime film “An Officer and a Murderer” nominated for a Canadian Screen Award 2014 in the category: “Best Original Music Score for a program”. He also just completed the second season of the pre-school series “The Chica Show” for NBC KIDS/PBS Sprout.

In his very first effort as a film composer, Jono earned a Genie nomination for best score in the feature “Jacob Two Two Meets the Hooded Fang”, and followed up with a variety of productions that included composing additional music for the bio-pic “Trudeau” (CBC) and “Trump: The Unauthorized Biography” (ABC). Jono works mainly out of his personal studio, Victory Drive Recording, located in Toronto’s Leslieville. Victory Drive is a destination for performing artists as well as film and television producers, featuring state-of-the-art equipment and an abundant collection of eclectic and vintage instruments. Among the artists who have worked at Victory Drive is Toronto-based jazz composer and saxophonist Richard Underhill. Jono has co-produced three albums of Underhill’s, including the Juno award-winning “Tales from the Blue Lounge”. He has also worked in various capacities with performers such as Kim Stockwood, Big Rude Jake, and The Tea Party. From old-school tape-and-razor blade editing to the latest techniques in modern sound design, Jono is skilled in all forms of music production.

Jono started his musical career more than 20 years ago, making his early mark as a composer, producer and performer with a multitude of bands including the eccentric jazz/lounge outfit “Jaymz Bee and The Royal Jelly Orchestra”, pop-poet “John Southworth”, and the outrageous bebop-rappers “The Shuffle Demons”. Jono studied composition, harmony and music theory privately with teacher/music analyst Michael Leibson and is well versed in writing and arranging for all types of music and ensembles

Film and Television Credits

"An Officer and a Murderer" (*Movie of the week*)

Co-composed with Robert Carli

Composer, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Music Editor, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Starring Gary Cole. Director: Norma Bailey

Lifetime Network US 2012

***Nominated for a Canadian Screen Award for best original score in a program 2014.**

"Monkey in the Middle" (*TV Movie*)

Composer, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Music Editor, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Starring Daphnie Zuniga, Jacob Horsley. Director: Justin G. Dyck

Marvista Entertainment 2014

"Sex, Fame & Murder" (*Documentary*)

Composer, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Music Editor, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Director: Naomi Hiltz

Hiltz Squared 2014

"Jacob Two Two Meets the Hooded Fang" (*Feature Film*)

Composer, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Music Editor, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Starring Gary Busey, Miranda Richardson, Ice Tea. Director: George Bloomfield

Composed 50 minute score and Produced 5 songs

ODEON/SHAFTESBURY FILMS 1998

***Nominated for a Genie 2000 award for best original score.**

"Bomb Girls" (*TV series*)

Song Composer, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Music Editor, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Prerecords for live sync

Muse Entertainment/Global TV 2011-2012

"The Nude Caboose" (*Silent Short film*)

Composer, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Music Editor, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Director: Guy Madden

Breakthrough Entertainment 2006

"Polished" (Short film)
Composer, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Music Editor, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Starring William B. Davis Director: Ed Gas Donnelly

2002

"Beefcake" (Feature Film)
Composer of additional music, Producer, Arranger, Musician, Recording/Mixing Engineer.

Director: Thom Fitzgerald

ALLIANCE ATLANTIS 1998

***Nominated for a Genie 2000 award for best original score**

"Trudeau" (Movie of the Week)

Composed, Produced 4 songs.

BIG MOTION/CBC 2002-2003

"Hemingway vs. Callaghan" (Movie of the Week)

Composed, Produced 4 songs.

SHAFTESBURY FILMS/CBC 2002-2003

"PSI Factor" "Forever and a Day"
Hired to create the remake of "MARS" The Bringer of War (Holst "The Planets")

Producer, Arranger, Musician, Record/Mixing Engineer.

ALLIANCE ATLANTIS 1999

"Trump, the Unauthorized Biography" (Movie of the Week)

Produced re-make of "Puttin' on the Ritz"

Producer, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

MUSE ENTERTAINMENT/ABC 2005

Animated Series

"The Dating Guy" (*Animated Series - Adult Comedy*)
Teletoon [26 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

BLUEPRINT/marblemedia 2009-2010

"Undergrads" (*Animated series - Adult Comedy*)
Teletoon/MTV [13 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Music Editor, Musician, Record/Mixing Engineer.

MTV/DECODE 2001-2002

"The Chica Show" (*Pre-School live/animated series*)
[29 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Music Editor, Musician, Record/Mixing Engineer.

NBC Kids - PBS Sprout 2012 - 2013

"Captain Flamingo" (*Animated series*)
YTV - Jetix/Disney [52 Episodes]

Composer, Producer, Songwriter, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

BREAKTHROUGH ENTERTAINMENT/ATOMIC 2005-2006

***Nominated for Gemini 2006 for Best original score in an animated series**

"Girl Stuff/Boy Stuff" (*Animated series*)
YTV [13 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Songwriter, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

DECODE/NOGGIN 2005

"Mischief City" (*Animated series*)
YTV [13 Episodes]

Co-Composed, Produced the Opening Theme, created stings and bumpers.

SHAFTESBURY FILMS 2004

Live Action/Dramatic TV series

"Radio Free Roscoe" (*Youth series - drama*)
Family Channel [52 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Songwriter, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

DECODE/NOGGIN 2003-2005

***Nominated for best youth series 2004 *Winner of Gemini 2005 Best Youth Series**

"Overruled!" (*Comedy Series*)
Family Channel - Disney U.S. [13 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Songwriter, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

SHAFTESBURY FILMS 2008

"Life With Derek" (*Comedy Series*)
Family Channel - Disney U.S. [7 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Songwriter, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.
**Filling in for Composer Gary Kofinoff*

SHAFTESBURY FILMS 2007-2008

"Screech Owls" (*Youth series comedy/drama*)
YTV [26 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Music Editor, Musician, Record/Mixing Engineer.

SHAFTESBURY FILMS 200-2002

Practical Information TV Series

"From Spain with Love" (*Lifestyle series*)
Food Network [13 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Musician, Record/Mixing Engineer.

SHAFTESBURY FILMS 2011

"Tooned" (*Documentary - entertainment series*)
TVtropolis [13 episodes]

Composer, Producer, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

BREAKTHROUGH ENTERTAINMENT 2010

"Crash My Kitchen" (*Lifestyle program*)
Food Network [13 episodes]

Composer of original music library.

Flash in the Pan Productions 2005

"Surreal Gourmet" (*Lifestyle program*)
Food Network [65 episodes]

Composer of original music library.

ALLIANCE ATLANTIS/CBC 2005

***Winner of a Gemini 2003 & 2004 for best practical information series**

Video Games/Promo

Sony PS3 "Modnation Racers" (*Video Game*)

Underscore Composer, Producer, Musician, Music Editor, Record/Mixing Engineer.

SONY/UNITED FRONT GAMES 2010

"Alias Wavefront " (*Eye Candy promo trailer*)

4 minute high energy promo DVD For Maya software

Composer, Producer, Music Editor, Musician, Record/Mixing Engineer.

ALIAS WAVEFRONT 2003