

Ben Ruffell

Camera Operator 2nd Unit DP Aerial DP

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Drama

Project	Role	Director	DP	Year
Apex	Camera Operator, 2nd Unit NZ	Baltasar Kormákur	Lawrence Sher ASC	2025
War Machine	Additional Drone, 2nd Unit NZ; Additional C Camera, NZ Unit	Bruce Hunt	Brad Shield ASC, ACS	2024
Forgive Us All	B Camera Operator and 2nd Unit DP	Jordana Scott	Peter McCaffrey	2024
A Remarkable Place to Die Seasons 1 and 2	Drone DP	Charlie Haskell		2024
Chief of War	Drone Camera Operator (1 ep)	Justin Chon	Matthew Chuang ACS	2023
Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes	VFX Unit NZ Drone DP	VFX Sup: Erik Winquist		2023
Dark City: The Cleaner	Drone DP	Rick Jacobson	Andrew McGeorge NZCS	2023
Game Changer	Drone DP, NZ Unit	S. Shankar	Tirru	2022
The Power of the Dog	Drone Camera Operator	Jane Campion	Ari Wegner ACS, ASC	2022
The Royal Treatment	Drone Camera Operator	Rick Jacobson	John Cavill NZCS	2022
She-Hulk	VFX Unit Drone DP	Weta FX		2021
Don't Make Me Go	Drone Camera Operator and Additional Camera Operator	Hannah Marks	Jaron Presant ASC	2021
Alien: Covenant	VFX Unit NZ Camera Operator	Ridley Scott	Dariusz Wolski ASC	2016
Pork Pie	Aerial DP	Matt Murphy	Crighton Bone	2016
Flying South NZCS Gold	Aerial DP	Leszek Burzynski		2014
Z for Zachariah	C Camera Operator	Craig Zobel	Tim Orr	2014

Commercials

Selected operator, 2nd Unit and aerial credits.

Commercial	Role	Director	DP	Year
Mitsubishi / Adventure Spirit NZCS Bronze	Drone Cinematographer	Kazuma Kitada	Gen Ito	2025
KFC	B Camera Operator and Drone DP	Justin McMillan	Rob Marsh NZCS	2024
Bosideng / Eileen Gu	Drone Cinematographer	Chonghu	Limbo	2023
Hyundai	Drone Camera Operator	Cam Hooper	Darryl Ward	2023
Coca-Cola Christmas	B Camera Operator	Taika Waititi	John Toon ACS, NZCS	2021
Toyota Hilux	Drone DP	Damien Shatford	Ben Seresin BSC, ASC	2021
Caloriemate	2nd Unit DP	Tsugihisa Tanaka	Orie Ichihashi	2021
Lloyds Bank	Drone DP	Marcus Söderlund	Justin Brown BSC	2019
Ford Ranger Raptor	Drone DP	The Glue Society	Shelly Farthing-Dawe ACS	2018
Audi Q7	B Camera Operator and 2nd Unit DP	Alberto Blanco	Chris Reed	2018
All Blacks / Message	2nd Unit DP	Shohei Goto		2018
Telunsu NZCS Silver	Aerial DP	Stuart Douglas	Ross Giardina ACS	2017
BMW M140i	2nd Unit DP and Russian Arm Operator	Martin Werner	Rodrigo Prieto ASC, AMC	2017
Visa / Winter Olympics	B Camera Operator	Stacy Wall	Chung-hoon Chung ASC	2017
Michelin	B Camera Operator	Stewart Hendler	Pascal Remond	2017
Hyundai Santa Fe	Aerial DP and Russian Arm Operator	Choi Moon Yong	Kim Doo Maan	2016
Samsung SUHD	Drone Camera Operator	Kim Gyo Sung	Sohn Eui Jeong	2016

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Westpac	Drone Camera Operator	Matt Murphy	Lachlan Milne ASC, ACS, NZCS	2016
Mazda	Drone Operator	Matt Murphy	Tim Tregoning ACS	2016
Kia Cerato	Aerial DP	Lim Hung Ill	Chung Chan Do	2016
Oronamin C	Camera Operator	Tadashi Tsukagoshi	Kaz Ohata	2016
Canada Goose	Aerial DP	Paul Haggis	Sean Bobbitt BSC	2015
BMW 7 Series	Aerial DP	Knut Burgdorf	Ottar Gudnason	2015
Nissan X-Trail	Aerial DP	Joel Pront	Allen Koppe ACS	2015
Subway	Aerial DP	Frazer Bailey	Ben Nott ACS	2015
Spyder	Camera Operator	Hyung Kyung Kang	Han Jae Kwang	2015
Black Yak	Camera Operator	Yoon Jae Hyun	Chang Chan Do	2015
BMW X1	Additional DP	Peter Refle	Ottar Gudnason	2015
Sprite	B Camera Operator	Chloe Coetsee	Willie Nel	2014
Head	2nd Unit DP	Hong Yeop Shin	Jaekwang Han	2014
Samsung Galaxy S5	Aerial DP		Chun Chan Do	2014
Toyota	Aerial DP	Peter Refle		2013
Nikon	B Camera Operator	Henrik Hansen		2012
Tango	2nd Unit DP	Bo Krabbe		2012
Carlsberg	B Camera Operator	Daniel Kleinman	Stephen Blackman	2011
Aveeno	2nd Unit DP	Rolf Kestermann		2010
Olay	2nd Unit DP	Brian Lai		2010
Lexus RX450h	B Camera Operator	Nigel Simpkiss	Ben Joiner	2009
Weetbix	2nd Unit DP	Nic Finlayson		2009
Shredded Wheat	2nd Unit DP	Mike Bigelow	Peter James	2007
Legend	Aerial DP	Jeff Darling		2006
Bupa	B Camera Operator and 2nd Unit DP	Joe Roman	Simon Chaudoir	2004
Milo	2nd Unit DP	Josh Frizell	Nigel Bluck	2004
Yuli	2nd Unit DP			2004
John Lewis	2nd Unit DP	Joe Roman		2003

Specialties

B Camera, C Camera, 2nd Unit, Splinter Unit and Aerial Unit. Tracking vehicles and arm cars, including Russian Arm and Scorpio Arm. Experienced drone and helicopter aerial operator, on wheels and joysticks.

CASA RePL (Australia) CAA Part 102 (New Zealand)

Member of the Australian Cinematographers Society and the New Zealand Cinematographers Society.

DP credits on a separate CV. Reel vimeo.com/benruffell IMDb imdb.com/name/nm3504493