

# Zak Annette

Audiobook Director & Engineer

## Name

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## Skills

Audiobook Director

Vocal Coaching

Audio Engineering

Comedy Show Operator

Overdub Audio Engineer

Sound Recordist

Audio Editing

Proficiency in DAWs

## Education

### Bachelor of Arts - BA Hon

UEA - University of East Anglia, UK

## Profile

- Taken on roles as a Director, Audio Engineer, Overdub Audio Engineer, Comedy Show Operator, Podcast; Editor, Audio Engineer and Sound Recordist, Audiobook Engineer & Audiobook Editor and as a Sound Recordist and Boom Operator.
- Have a decade of industry experience and a portfolio featuring over 1000 Audiobooks.
- Have worked predominantly with voice actors and authors, but have also coached and worked closely with musicians, comedians, athletes, politicians and journalists over the course of my career.
- I hold British, Canadian and American citizenship and have lived in Spain, the UK and currently live in Toronto, Canada.

## Employment

**Audiobook Director & Engineer** **2021 - Present**  
Penguin Random House Canada, Toronto, Canada

**Audiobook Engineer** **2019 - 2021**  
Penguin Random House Canada, Toronto, Canada

**Show Operator - UK Tour** **2019 - 2019**  
Berk's Nest Ltd.  
Show Operator for a UK tour of Olga Koch's 'Fight' 18 show tour.

Jan 14th -19th - London - Soho Theatre.  
Jan 20th - Bristol - Tobacco Factory Theatre  
Jan 25th - Oxford - Jericho Tavern  
Feb 7th - Swansea - Cinema & Co  
Feb 9th - Brighton - Komedia  
Feb 15th - Leicester - Queen of Bradgate  
Feb 19th - Edinburgh - Monkey Barrel  
Feb 21st - Cambridge - The Junction  
Feb 27th - Manchester - Frog & Bucket  
Feb 28th - York - The Basement  
March 3rd - Coventry - Warwick Arts Centre  
March 8th - Bath - Rondo Theatre  
March 23rd - Glasgow - The Old Hairdresser's

**Freelance Audio Engineer and Editor** **2016 - 2019**  
Freelance, London, UK

**Podcast Sound Recordist** **2018 - 2018**  
Debrief Podcast, Edinburgh, Scotland  
Tessa Coates & Stevie Martin - 'The Debrief podcast' -3 live recordings at the Edinburgh Fringe.

**Show Operator - Edinburgh Fringe** **2018 - 2018**  
Berk's Nest Ltd., Edinburgh, Scotland  
Olga Koch: 'Fight' Show Operator

Show was chosen as the 'Best Newcomer Award Nominee' show.

**Show Operator - Comedy**

**2017 - 2018**

[Berk's Nest Ltd., London, UK & Edinburgh, Scotland](#)

Amy A: 'What Women Want' Show Operator as well as sound recordist for all live shows.

Featuring comedians such as Aisling Bea, Mae Martin, Bisha K. Ali, Lolly Adefope, Sara Pascoe, James Acaster, Nish Kumar and more

**TV - VO Audio Engineer**

**2016 - 2017**

[National Geographic - Optomen Productions](#)

ADR Audio Engineer for 'When Sharks Attack' - Nature television series produced by Optomen Productions, Inc. for National Geographic Channels.

**Film - Overdub Audio Engineer**

**2016 - 2017**

[ATTRACTIVE FEATURES LTD](#)

Overdub Audio Engineer for 'Metamorphosis - Centenary Edition - The Film' - Attractive Features Productions.

Recorded overdub from original English narration into German and Italian.

**Sound Recordist/Audio Editor for Podcast & Show Operator for panel show 'What Women Want'**

**2016 - 2019**

[Acast, London, UK](#)

Featuring guests such as - Aisling Bea, James Acaster, Tom Allen, Rose Matafeo Mae Martin, Desiree Burch, Lolly Adefope, Nish Kumar, Josie Long, Phil Wang, Coco Khan, Sarah Pascoe, Jack Rooke, Bisha K. Ali and more.

**Audio Engineer - (Audiobooks, Commercial and Animation)**

**2016 - 2019**

[ID Audio, London, UK](#)

Freelance Audio Engineer

**Audio Engineer & Editor - (Audiobooks, Commercial and Animation)**

**2014 - 2016**

[ID Audio, London, UK](#)

Worked on titles from various publishing houses including - Penguin Random House UK, WF Howes, Wholestory Audio, Recorded Books, Orion, Hachette and Harper Collins. As well as recording VO for various adverts, including companies such as Sainsbury's and Marks & Spencer.

**Podcast Audio Engineer**

**2016 - 2019**

[Hornet Heaven, London, UK](#)

Audio Engineer for the Fan-created Watford Football Club podcast, Hornet Heaven.

Awarded 2nd place for 'Best Sports Podcast 2017' at the British Podcast Awards.

**Audiobook editor**

**2016 - 2019**

[Strathmore Publishing, London, UK](#)

**Podcast Audio Editor**

**2016 - 2019**

[Virago Press Limited, London, UK](#)

Podcast Audio Editor for 'Virago Book Podcast' series - Interviews with Virago authors

**Audiobook Editor**

**2016 - 2019**

[Chatterbox Audio, London, UK](#)

**Show Operator - Edinburgh Fringe** **2018 - 2018**

Nish Kumar / PBJ Management, Edinburgh, Scotland

Show Operator - Nish Kumar: 'It's in Your Nature to Destroy Yourselfes'

**Sound Recordist** **2016 - 2019**

Nish Kumar / PBJ Management, London, UK

Sound recordist for Nish Kumar's sell-out shows -

'Actions Speak Louder Than Words, Unless You Shout The Words Real Loud' / 'It's In Your Nature To Destroy Yourselfes' pt1' - Recorded live at the Duchess Theatre, London on December 12th 2016.

'It's In Your Nature To Destroy Yourselfes' pt2 'Recorded at the Hackney Empire, London over two nights – March 29th and April 1st 2019.

**Audio Editor** **2016**

Little, Brown Book Group, London, UK

Audio Editor for a podcast series - Interviews of Little, Brown Book Group authors.

Created a five episode series ahead of the release of Jane Harper's 'The Dry'.

**Sound Recordist / Boom Operator** **2015**

Big Worldwide Ltd., London, UK

Boom Operator and Sound Recordist on a pilot for Big Worldwide Ltd.

**Sound Recordist / Boom Operator** **2015**

Prestige Magazine, London, UK

Behind the Scenes: Jon Kortajarena's Prestige Magazine 'Hong Kong Cover Shoot'

## Internships

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**Radio Drama Series Internship - Assistant Technician** **2014**

BBC Radio 4/ Pacificus Productions/ Brill Productions, London, UK

Interned as an assistant technician, spot effect artist/foley artist, recording a ten-part radio drama series, GF Newman's The Corrupted – Series 2, for BBC Radio 4. (Featuring actors such as Toby Jones and Derek Jacobi)

**Abbey Road Internship - Assistant Technician** **2013**

Abbey Road Studios, London, UK

Interned as an assistant technician at Abbey Road Studios in London, UK