

**Tate Van Oudtshoorn**  
**Props Master, Lead Man, Set**  
**Dresser**



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**Career Overview**

Experienced Prop Master with more than a decade of experience. Working on productions such as Mad Max and Raised by wolves.

**Education**

Trade Certificate (Red Seal) : Fabricator/Welder

**Special skills**

- Skilled and experienced lead man, props master, set dresser and buyer in the film industry
- Film industry – Art department (assorted roles)
- Welder metal fabrication
- Project management
- Stakeholder relationships
- Effective communication
- Health and safety requirements
- Strategic planning
- Team building and leadership
- Strong technical aptitude with the ability to read and interpret technical documentation.
- Experience in Sketch up 3d cad drawings.
- Good written and verbal communicator with superior interpersonal, negotiation and liaison skills.
- Able to relate to a wide range of people from various cultural, professional and technical sectors

- Solid analytical aptitude with advanced organisational, problem-solving and time-management skills
- Safety conscious with strict adherence to health and safety regulations and guidelines
- Able to work well under pressure and meet strict deadlines in a fast-paced environment
- Strong team player with the ability to work unsupervised and to supervise others
- Displaying a high level of professionalism and confidentiality, with meticulous attention to detail

### **IT Skills**

- Microsoft Office Suite - Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Outlook
- CompTIA A+
- SketchUp

### **Work Experience**

**January 2021 – Current, Penguin Films, Production: Arendsvlei Season 3**

See [https://www.imdb.com/title/tt9248932/?ref\\_=nv\\_sr\\_srsq\\_0](https://www.imdb.com/title/tt9248932/?ref_=nv_sr_srsq_0)

**Props Master**

- **Background:** It is a South African TV Series about the Cupido Family in Cape Town. It received several awards
- Props rental sourcing and management
- Prop fabrication and creation
- Managing budgets effectively
- Liaise with production designers and art directors to break down the script
- Drawing up complete properties lists
- Attend meetings and adjust requirements as need on a regular basis
- Set Design and decoration
- Creating 3d sets on Sketchup

**August 2020– December 2020, Blackball Entertainment - part time**

[www.blackball.co.za](http://www.blackball.co.za)

- **Background:** Blackball is a rental and events company that manufacture a multitude of products
- Metal welding and fabrication

**September 2019 – Current**

**Director of IMPUMELELO FILM SUPPLIES (PTY) LTD**

**This is a part time film supply company**

**Reg Number: 2019 / 445625 / 07**

**April 2019 – August 2020**

**Full time student at False Bay TVET College Westlake Campus**

**N1 Boilermaking / fabrication**

**N2 Boilermaking / fabrication**

**Practical /workshop**

**Trade test**

**October 2018 – March 2019, Production Raised By Wolves (See**

**[www.imdb.com/title/tt9170108/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt9170108/))**

**Set Decoration Leadman**

- **Background:** Raised by Wolves is an American science fiction drama television series created by Aaron Guzikowski that premiered on HBO Max on September 3, 2020.[1] The first two episodes were directed by Ridley Scott, who also serves as an executive producer for the show. The series was renewed for a second season shortly after its premiere.
- **Production house involved:** Scott Free Production (See <https://scottfree.com>) Scott Free Productions is a British-American independent film and television production company founded in 1970 by filmmakers and brothers Ridley Scott and Tony Scott. They formed the feature film development company Percy Main Productions in 1980 naming the company after the English village Percy Main, where their father grew up. The company was renamed to Scott Free Productions in 1995. Scott Free has produced films ranging from the 2000 Hollywood blockbuster Gladiator (2000) to "smaller pictures" like Cracks (2009).[2] Between productions of White Squall (1996) and G.I. Jane (1997), Ridley Scott reorganised the company. Scott Free Productions has offices in London and Los Angeles.
- **Production House Involved:** Film Afrika ( <https://filmafrika.com>) South Africa
- **Production House Involved:** Lit Entertainment Group (See <https://www.litentertainmentgroup.com>) lit entertainment group
- Responsible for overseeing a crew of 78 people
- Dressing of sets
- Scheduling
- Overseeing different locations
- Budget management
- Fabrication where necessary
- Attending regular meetings and adjusting decoration where necessary

**May 2018 - October 2018, Production Inside Man: Most Wanted , See**

**<https://www.imdb.com/title/tt7832848/> South Africa**

**Set Dressing Leadman**

- **Background:** Inside Man Most Wanted is a 2019 American crime thriller film directed by M. J. Bassett and starring Aml Ameen, Rhea Seehorn, and Roxanne

McKee. A **sequel** to the 2006 film **Inside Man**, it was released direct-to-video in the United States on September 24, 2019.

- **Production House Involved:** Universal 1440 Entertainment
- **Production House Involved** Moonlighting Films See [www.moonlighting.co.za](http://www.moonlighting.co.za)
- Managing a crew of 15 people
- Dressing of sets
- Managing and overseeing the set dressers and swing gang and ensuring that all decorations and props are of the required quality on screen and properly prepared and placed before cameras roll
- Time scheduling
- Overseeing different locations
- Budget management

**September 2017 – December 2017, Ice Season 2, See <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt4659174/> South Africa Set Dressing Leadman**

- **Background:** Ice is an American television series created by Robert Munic. The project, set to air in late 2016 on Audience Network was ordered straight-to-series with an order of 10 episodes on August 2, 2016.[1] The project was originally ordered in 2014 but was dropped for creative reasons.[2] The series was then released on November 16, 2016. On June 16, 2017, the series was renewed for a second season
- **Production House involved:** AT&T See <https://about.att.com/pages/entertain> AT&T Inc. is an American multinational conglomerate holding company, Delaware-registered[6] but headquartered at Whitacre Tower in Downtown Dallas, Texas.[7] It is the world's largest telecommunications company, and the second largest[8] provider of mobile telephone services. As of 2020, AT&T was ranked 9th on the Fortune 500 rankings of the largest United States corporations, with revenues of \$181 billion
- **Production House involved:** Entertainment One, See <https://www.entertainmentone.com> Entertainment One Ltd., commonly abbreviated as eOne (Records on Wheels Limited from 1970 until 1980, ROW Entertainment until 2005, Entertainment One Income Fund until 2009 and E1 Entertainment until 2010), is a Canadian multinational entertainment company best known as the film production and distribution subsidiary of American toy manufacturer Hasbro. Based in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, the company is primarily involved in the acquisition, distribution, and production of films and television series. The company remained listing on the London Stock Exchange and it was acquired by Hasbro on December 30, 2019.
- **Production House involved:** Fuqua Films. Owned by Antoine Fuqua (born January 19, 1966) is an American filmmaker and comic artist. Known for directing music videos for Toni Braxton, Coolio, Stevie Wonder and Prince, he launched his career in 1998 and became best known for directing the crime thriller film Training Day (2001) which won an Academy Award for Best Actor and earned

him a name in Hollywood. Ever since, Fuqua became known for making action, crime, thriller and drama films through his career including Western with his remake to The Magnificent Seven (2016).

- **Production House involved:** Film Afrika worldwide [www.filmafrika.com](http://www.filmafrika.com)
- Managing a crew of 12 people
- Time scheduling
- Overseeing different locations
- Budget management
- Dressing of sets
- Managing and overseeing the set dressers and swing gang and ensuring that all decorations and props are of the required quality on screen and properly prepared and placed before cameras roll

**September 2016 - April 2017, Production Outlander Season 3, See <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt3006802/> South Africa  
Set Decoration Buyer**

- **Background:** Outlander is an historical drama television series based on the ongoing novel series of the same name by Diana Gabaldon. Developed by Ronald D. Moore, the show premiered on August 9, 2014, on Starz. It stars Caitriona Balfe as Claire Randall, a married former World War II military nurse in Scotland who, in 1945, finds herself transported back to 1743. There she encounters the dashing Highland warrior Jamie Fraser (Sam Heughan), a member of Gabaldon's fictionalized version of Clan Fraser of Lovat, and becomes embroiled in the Jacobite rising. The 16-episode first season of the television series (released as two half-seasons) is based on the first novel in the series, Outlander (known as Cross Stitch in the U.K.). The second season of 13 episodes, based on Dragonfly in Amber, aired from April to July 2016. The 13-episode third season, based on Voyager, aired from September to December 2017. The 13-episode fourth season, based on Drums of Autumn, aired from November 2018 to January 2019. The fifth season of 12 episodes, based on The Fiery Cross, aired from February to May 2020.
- **Production Company involved:** Tall Ship Productions. Owned by Ronald Moore and launched major shows such as Battlestar Galactica. See <https://www.imdb.com/search/title/?companies=co0303436>
- **Production Company involved** Story Mining & Supply Co. See <http://storyminingsupply.com> California based company
- **Production Company involved** Left Bank Picture See <https://www.leftbankpictures.co.uk> Left Bank Pictures (stylized as LEFT BANK Pictures) is a British film and television production company. It was formed in 2007[1] and was the first British media company to receive investment from BBC Worldwide, the commercial arm of the BBC. Left Bank Pictures' productions

include the television series Wallander, Strike Back, DCI Banks and Outlander. Their production, The Crown, is the first British-American television series produced exclusively for Netflix. The series' first season was released on 4 November 2016

- **Production Company involved** [www.filmafrika.com](http://www.filmafrika.com)
- Responsible for all the research relevant to the time period
- Sourcing and buying of all set dressing for the show.
- Working under the set decorator.

**May 2016 – September 2016** Production Origin, See <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt3696748/> **South Africa**  
**On Set Standby Set Dresser**

- **Production company involved:** Youtube,
- **Production company involved:** Moonlighting films
- I was responsible for correcting set decoration on set while camera is rolling and in-between shots

**September 2015 - May 2016, Black Sails Season 4, See** [www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/) **South Africa**  
**Set Decoration Buyer**

- **Background:** Black Sails is an American historical adventure television series set on New Providence Island and written to be a prequel to Robert Louis Stevenson's 1883 novel Treasure Island. The series was created by Jonathan E. Steinberg and Robert Levine for Starz. It debuted online for free on YouTube and other various streaming platform and video on demand services on January 18, 2014. The debut on cable television followed a week later on January 25, 2014.
- **Productions company involved:** Starz. Starz (stylized as STARZ since 2016; pronounced "stars") is an American premium cable and satellite television network owned by Lions Gate Entertainment, and is the flagship property of parent subsidiary Starz Inc. Programming on Starz consists of theatrically released motion pictures and first-run original television series. Originally created in 1994 as a multiplex service of Encore (now Starz Encore), Starz operates six 24-hour, linear multiplex channels; a traditional subscription video on demand service; and a namesake over-the-top streaming platform that both acts as a TV Everywhere offering for Starz's linear television subscribers and is sold directly to streaming-only consumers.
- **Productions company involved** Film Afrika Worldwide
- Responsible for all the research relevant to the time period
- Sourcing and buying of all set dressing for the show.
- Working under the set decorator.

**June 2015 - August 2015 Project: “Modder and Bloed” translated to Blood and Glory, <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt4700248/> See South Africa  
Props Master / Property Master**

- **Background:** Set in 1901, this period epic follows Willem Morkel - a Boer and family man whose wife and son are murdered during the Anglo-Boer War. Captured as a prisoner of war, Willem must survive incarceration in the notorious St. Helena concentration camp and defeat the ruthless Colonel Swannell, at his own game... Rugby
- **Production Company Involved:** Dark Matter Studios,
- **Production Company Involved:** Collective Dream Studios See <https://www.collectivedreamfilms.com>
- Props rental sourcing and management
- Prop fabrication and creation
- Managing budgets effectively
- Liaise with production designers and art directors to break down the script
- Drawing up complete properties lists
- Attend meetings and adjust requirements as need on a regular basis
- Set Design and decoration
- Creating 3d sets on Sketchup

**September 2014 - May 2015, Project: Black Sails Season 3  
See [www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/) South Africa  
Set Decoration Buyer**

- **Productions companies involved:** Starz,
- **Productions companies involved** Film Afrika Worldwide
- I was responsible for all the research relevant to the time period
- Sourcing and buying of all set dressing for the show.
- Working under the set decorator.

**June 2014 - August 2014, Project: Oasis See  
<https://www.imdb.com/title/tt6268052/> South Africa  
Set Decoration Buyer**

- **Background:** Oasis is a pilot episode of an intended 2017 British television drama series, based on Michel Faber's 2014 novel The Book of Strange New Things. It follows the adventures of a Scottish chaplain on an exoplanet colony. Oasis was part of the 2017 pilot season wave 8 by Amazon Video.
- **Productions company involved:** Left bank Picture,
- **Productions company involved** Moonlighting film services
- I was responsible for all the research relevant to the time period

- Sourcing and buying of all set dressing for the show.
- Working under the set decorator.

**October 2013 - May 2014, Black Sails Season 2, See [www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/) South Africa**  
**Set Decoration Buyer**

- **Productions company involved:** Starz,
- **Productions company involved:** Film Afrika Worldwide
- Responsible for all the research relevant to the time period
- Sourcing and buying of all set dressing for the show.
- Working under the set decorator.

**August 2013 - October 2013, Production: Dominion Season 1**  
 See [www.imdb.com/title/tt3079768/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt3079768/) **South Africa**  
**Set Decoration Buyer**

- **Background:** Dominion is an American apocalyptic fantasy television series created by Vaun Wilmott. It is loosely based on the 2010 film Legion, written by Peter Schink and Scott Stewart. In December 2013, Syfy ordered a pilot episode and the series premiered on the American cable television network Syfy on June 19, 2014. The show was filmed in Cape Town, South Africa. Stewart served as series executive producer, as well as director of the pilot episode, written by Wilmott.
- **Productions company involved:** Film Afrika Worldwide
- I was responsible for all the research relevant to the time period
- Sourcing and buying of all set dressing for the show.
- Working under the set decorator.

**May 2013 - October 2013, Production Black Sails Season 1**  
 See [www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2375692/) **South Africa**  
**Set Decoration Assistant**

- **Productions company involved:** Starz,
- **Productions company involved:** Film Afrika Worldwide
- I would shadow set dressers and buyers and assist with any Art or set decoration requirements.

**November 2012 - May 2013, Production : Mad Max 4, Fury Road**  
 See [www.imdb.com/title/tt1392190/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1392190/) **South Africa**  
**Set Decoration Junior Buyer**

- **Background:** Fury Road premiered at Los Angeles on 7 May 2015, and was released in Australia on 14 May. Although it is the highest-grossing Mad Max film, Fury Road was a box office disappointment, grossing \$375.4 million worldwide against its \$154.6–185.1 million production budget and incurring overall losses of up to \$20–40 million. Despite this, the film was widely praised by critics for Miller's direction, screenplay, action sequences, musical score, cinematography, editing, costume design, visuals, and the performances of the cast (particularly from Hardy and Theron). Considered one of the greatest action films of all time and one of the best of the 2010s, Fury Road received numerous accolades, with ten Academy Award nominations at the 88th Academy Awards including Best Picture and Best Director, and won the most awards of the ceremony with six awards for Best Costume Design, Best Production Design, Best Makeup and Hairstyling, Best Film Editing, Best Sound Editing, and Best Sound Mixing.
- **Productions Company involved:** Moonlighting Film Services,
- **Productions Company involved:** Warner Bros,
- **Productions Company involved:** Universal studios
- Responsible for all the research relevant to the time period
- Sourcing and buying of all set dressing for the show.
- Working under the set decorator and lead buyer.

**May 2012 – October 2012, Production: Restless, see**  
[www.imdb.com/title/tt2241676/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2241676/)  
**Rigging Grip / Set Dressing Buyer**

- **Background:** Restless is a 2012 British TV adaptation of William Boyd's espionage novel Restless (2006). Directed by Edward Hall, the film features Hayley Atwell, Rufus Sewell, Michelle Dockery, Michael Gambon and Charlotte Rampling. The two parts first aired on 27 and 28 December 2012 on BBC One.
- **Production Company involved:** Endor Productions, See <https://endorproductions.co.uk/endorproductions/>
- **Productions Company involved:** Sundance TV See <https://www.sundancetv.com>
- **Productions Company involved:** [www.moonlighting.co.za](http://www.moonlighting.co.za)
- In this role I was introduced into buying as a junior set dressing buyer while filling in on the grips and riggers when they were short of crew and required assistance.

**June 2011 - April 2012, Production Mad Dog Season 3, See**  
[www.imdb.com/title/tt1652218/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1652218/) **South Africa**  
**Construction steel fabricator**

- **Background:** Mad Dogs is a British television serial, written by Cris Cole. The series premiered in the United Kingdom on 10 February 2011 on Sky1 with a four-part first series. Series two and three also contained four parts each, broadcasting in early 2012 and June 2013 respectively. It concluded with a two-part fourth and final series on 28 and 29 December 2013. Mad Dogs follows four lifelong friends, Baxter (John Simm), Quinn (Philip Glenister), Rick (Marc Warren) and Woody (Max Beesley), who spend a week in Majorca to celebrate the early retirement of Alvo (Ben Chaplin), another friend. However, as time goes by the friends become embroiled in the world of crime and police corruption after Alvo is murdered.
- **Production company involved:** Left Bank Pictures, See <https://www.leftbankpictures.co.uk>
- **Production company involved:** Out of Africa See <https://www.outofafrica.info>
- Responsible for cutting, welding and joining steel needed for sets
- General metal and steel fabrication
- Reading technical drawings

**June 2010 - April 2011, Production : Safe House, See**

[www.imdb.com/title/tt1599348/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1599348/)

**South Africa**

**Construction Steel Fabricator**

- **Background:** Safe House is a 2012 American action thriller film directed by Daniel Espinosa. The film follows Matt Weston (Ryan Reynolds), a CIA officer on a low-level posting in Cape Town who is in charge of a safe house where the CIA is interrogating Tobin Frost (Denzel Washington), a veteran operative who has allegedly betrayed the agency. When the safe house is attacked by mercenaries who kill almost all the operatives, Weston flees with Frost in his charge, and they end up on the run. As the team of killers, who seem to be one step ahead of the pair, track them throughout Cape Town, Weston begins to wonder who to trust.
- **Production companies involved:** Universal studios, Universal Studios Hollywood is a film studio and theme park in the San Fernando Valley area of Los Angeles County, California. About 70% of the studio lies within the unincorporated county island known as Universal City while the rest lies within the city limits of Los Angeles, California. It is one of the oldest and most famous Hollywood film studios still in use. Its official marketing headline is "The Entertainment Capital of LA". It was initially created to offer tours of the real Universal Studios sets and is the first of many full-fledged Universal Studios Theme Parks located across the world.
- **Production companies involved:** Moonlighting film services
- Responsible for cutting, welding and joining steel needed for sets
- General metal and steel fabrication
- Reading technical drawings

**Dec 2009 – May 2010, Production: History of the world, South Africa  
Set Decoration Assistant**

- **Background: Production Company Involved: Film Afrika**
- **Production Company Involved:** Platinum Dunes Platinum Dunes is an American production company created in November 2001 by filmmakers Michael Bay, Brad Fuller and Andrew Form. The company produces horror films, such as The Texas Chainsaw Massacre, The Purge, Friday the 13th, A Nightmare on Elm Street, Ouija, A Quiet Place, and A Quiet Place Part II. On October 7, 2009, Paramount Pictures announced a first-look deal with Platinum Dunes. With this, they plan to branch out of the horror genre into action and thrillers. On May 27, 2010, it was announced they would work on the reboot to the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles film series of the same name. In 2014, Platinum Dunes was named The Hollywood Reporter's Producers of the Year. In 2015, the company was also named to The Hollywood Reporter's 30 Most Powerful Film Producers in Hollywood. In 2018, Fuller and Form made an amicable split from Platinum Dunes to launch a new production company, Fully Formed Entertainment.
- **Production Company Involved: Quaker Moving Picture**
- Shadow set dressers and buyers and assist with any Art or set decoration requirements

**Referees**

Maria Labuschagne  
Set Decorator - Film Afrika (Project – Raised by Wolves)

Tom Hannam  
Set Decorator - Film Afrika (Project – Black Sails Season 1-4 / Outlander Season

Tamara Gauthier  
Set Decorator - Film Afrika (Project – Ice)