



# DAVID BLOCH

- ◇ creative director ◇
- ◇ stage director ◇
- ◇ voice artist ◇
- ◇ showcaller ◇
- ◇ emcee ◇

**“ I thank you with all my heart for your  
incredible contribution to our event. ”**

Jessica Baker

Group Communications Manager | Porsche South Africa

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## WHO I AM

I am definitely a people's person and work wonderfully well as part of a team. I am a great leader and communicator who has once been described as having an 'effervescent' personality. I am easy to get along with, am level-headed, work extremely well under pressure and am quick to think on my feet, especially in my capacity as Showcaller or MC. Honesty, integrity, transparency, mutual respect and passion for what one does, are vitally important to me. Entertainment is not just what I do, it's who I am. This industry is truly my passion. To echo the words of Donatella Versace, **"creativity comes from a conflict of ideas."** It is this motto that colours my work daily and with the collaborative creation of clients, valued partners, and colleagues, paired with critical thinking and strategising a multitude of ideas, it is something I am truly inspired by and thrive upon.

## AWARDS

**Corporate LiveWire Innovation & Excellence Awards 2024:** Event Management Professional of the Year

**Eventex 100:** Top 100 Event Organisers and Agencies of 2023

**Eventex Awards:** Three Gold Awards | One Silver Award | One Bronze Award

**LUXLife Global Wedding Awards:** Best Live Events & Entertainment Management Company

**Corporate LiveWire Innovation & Excellence Awards 2023** – Live Events & Entertainment Company of the Year

2023/4

## FORMAL TRAINING

National Diploma in Musical Theatre with Distinctions in Acting and Singing

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Thank you for the opportunity of introducing myself to you. Whilst it may be difficult to condense **25 years** of work into only a handful of pages, I hope the attached may prove sufficient in sparking your interest to want to get to know me better... and hopefully even to work with me.

By way of e-introduction, my name is David Bloch and I am an internationally recognised and award-winning **Creative Live Events Director/ Producer, Show Director and Show Caller**, who is able to fulfil multiple roles and wear any number of hats, depending on the nature of the work needing to be undertaken.

I have Directed productions and managed talent for a variety of top companies and high-profile events, both in my home country and abroad. I have **conceptualised, created, produced, directed, written scripts, provided voice-overs** and **sourced a variety of bespoke entertainment** content, not only for live events, but for television productions as well. I credit my training in Musical Theatre, my 25 years working experience, my continuous appearances as either a featured vocalist or MC, as well as a vast and comprehensive global network of contacts, for ensuring I am the best partner to work with, collaborate with and sub-contract, as a valued team supplier and contractor.

I have been fortunate to travel, work and experience the world, as evident by the locations map provided on the earlier page. From working in the **UAE, KSA, Egypt, the USA, the UK, Europe, Hong Kong and India**, to numerous countries across the **African continent**, I have been blessed with enriching opportunities I would never have thought possible.

***I am also pleased to share my UAE residency with dual citizenship of both South Africa and Lithuania in the EU.***

Over the years I have had the privilege of working with numerous artists & speciality acts. Many of them have appeared on television programmes the likes of **Dancing with the Stars, Strictly Come Dancing, America/Spain/Britain's Got Talent and The Voice Mexico**. Many have also featured in productions staged around the world by the likes of **Cirque du Soleil**.

Artists I have worked with include the likes of **John Legend, SEAL, Brian May, Katherine Jenkins, Bob Geldof, Brian McKnight, Emeli Sandé, David Blaine, Trevor Noah, Charlizé Theron, Derek & Julianne Hough, Roberta Flack and Gloria Gaynor** to name a few.



## BODY OF WORK

### EXECUTIVE CREATIVE PRODUCER

#### HIGHLIGHTS

“You were such an incredible team player, and the entire team is grateful for your contributions.

I'm really looking forward to working with you again.”

**Hugh Evans**  
Founder and CEO  
Global Citizen

“We appreciate that you're facilitating and helping us make this happen. What a gift!.

John is grateful that you'll be a part of this global movement and allow him to share his performance of Wonder Woman for the Global Concert.”

**Ty Stiklorius**  
Manager  
John Legend

“Thanks so much for making it happen.”

**Liza Henshaw**  
President  
Global Citizen

THE BIDVEST GROUP LIMITED (2005 – 2023)  
**Considered the pinnacle of corporate events in South Africa.**

*This annual spectacle has, over the years, hosted international artists the likes of John Legend, SEAL, Brian McKnight, Emeli Sandé, Trevor Noah and David Blaine, as well as the casts of AEROS, featuring members of the World and European Gymnastics Championship Team and The Imperial Circus, comprising members of The Beijing Circus and Cirque du Soleil.*

- Client Liaison
- Full Budget Preparation, Management and Reconciliation
- Coordination of Status/Operations Meetings and Reporting
- Compilation of Production and Rehearsal Schedules
- Liaising and Negotiating with all suppliers
- Creative Direction in respect to Décor & Design, Graphics & Artwork and Talent Wardrobe
- Scriptwriting, Voice Over Recordings
- Full Entertainment Management and Artist Bookings/Contracting
- Stage Direction and Showcalling

PLUCZENIK LAUNCH EVENT (2023)

**Celebrating 25yrs as a De Beers Sightholder, in the presence of his Majesty, the King of Belgium.**

- Client Liaison
- Full Budget Preparation, Management and Reconciliation
- Coordination of Site Inspections, Status/Operations Meetings and Reporting
- Liaising and Negotiating with all Suppliers
- Liaising with Government, Stakeholders as well as Presidential and Royal Protocol
- Management and Booking of all Entertainment
- Onsite Production Management

GLOBAL CITIZEN (2022)

**John Legend's Appearance in the 2022 Live Global Citizen Broadcast**

- Client Liaison
- Creative Direction of John Legend's Onstage Performance and Recording
- Liaising with Global Citizen, Head of Broadcasting and Members of the Production Company
- Liaising with all Suppliers
- Management of Recording Schedule and Deadlines
- Ensuring Sign-off and Delivery of Final Edit



## BODY OF WORK

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**EXECUTIVE CREATIVE  
PRODUCER**

HIGHLIGHTS



### EDUCATION AFRICA (2021 AND 2022) **Sounds of Celebration, An Annual Global Fundraising Online Concert**

*These concerts featured artists from around the world, affording young underprivileged South African musicians an opportunity to collaborate with the likes of the Vienna Boys Choir and multiple Grammy Award-Winning Wouter Kellerman.*

- Client Liaison
- Full Budget Preparation, Management and Reconciliation
- Coordination of Status and Operations Meetings
- Compilation of Production and Rehearsal Schedules
- Liaising and Negotiating with all Suppliers
- Creative Direction
- Stage Direction
- Co-MC Scriptwriting, Live Voice Overs



### FIFA (2010 AND 2013) **Opening Ceremony; FIFA Congress 2010 (South Africa) and 2013 (Mauritius)**

- Client Liaison
- Full Budget Preparation, Management and Reconciliation
- Compilation of Production and Rehearsal Schedules
- Liaising and Negotiating with all Suppliers
- Creative Direction in respect to Show Production, Décor & Design and Talent Wardrobe
- Management and Coordination of Multiple Auditions
- Scriptwriting, Voice Over Recordings
- Full Entertainment Management and Artist Bookings/Contracting
- Stage Direction and Showcalling

“Thank you for delivering John  
Legend’s performance.  
It was stunning.”

**Zoe Cook**  
Executive Producer  
**Done + Dusted (UK)**

“The clip looks amazing!  
Hope we get to work  
together again.”

**Lee A Rolontz**  
Global Head of Broadcasting  
and Original Content  
**Global Citizen**



**CREATIVE  
ENTERTAINMENT  
DIRECTOR**

HIGHLIGHTS

“Congratulations, it brings me great joy to see your hard work and dedication acknowledged.

Having had the pleasure of collaborating with you on various events, I can wholeheartedly endorse this accolade. Your commitment to excellence has consistently shone.”

**Alex Boavida**

Vice President Sales & Marketing  
**Mercedes-Benz South Africa**

“Thank you for an incredible trip! Massive thank you for making us all feel so welcome! My first show in Africa! Can’t wait to come back again.”

**Emeli Sandé**

BET and multiple Brit Awards  
Winner, Singer-Songwriter

**BODY OF WORK**



LAUNCH OF THE SAUDI ARABIA BANK (SAB) BUILDING IN RIYADH (2023)  
**for Dubai-based, The Event Production Company**



FACETS (2023)  
*The hosting of this prestigious conference by the Antwerp World Diamond Centre, in partnership with the Government of Botswana.*



PORSCHE SOUTH AFRICA (2023)  
**Launch of the new Cayenne – Porsche’s iconic SUV**



MERCEDES BENZ SOUTH AFRICA (2022)  
*Launch of the new Maybach S Class*  
**for SA-based Agency, Blue Platinum Events**



KIGALI SUMMIT ON MALARIA AND NEGLECTED TROPICAL DISEASES (2022)  
**for Dubai-based, The Event Production Company**  
*Hosted by the Government of Rwanda and taking place alongside the 26th Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM), the Kigali Summit on Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs), was held on 23 June 2022, providing a key opportunity for world leaders to demonstrate their commitment to ending malaria and NTDs.*



LINDT & SPRÜNGLI DEUTSCHLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE – SOUTH AFRICA (2020)  
**for Swiss-based Agency, Eggert & Friends**



TATA COMMUNICATIONS (2016 / 2017 / 2018 / 2019)  
**Annual ProClub Awards and Recognition Events in;**

- Cape Town (South Africa)
- Nice (French Riviera) and Rome (Italy)
- Mumbai and Udaipur (India)
- Livingstone (Zambia)



THE BIDVEST GROUP LIMITED INTERNATIONAL EVENTS (2007 / 2011 / 2012 / 2019)  
**Annual International Incentive Experiences in:**

- The Caribbean
- Hong Kong
- Dubai
- Greece



LOUIS VUITTON ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY – JOHANNESBURG (2019)  
**for SA-based Agency, Zebra Square**



## BODY OF WORK

STAGE DIRECTOR  
SHOWCALLER  
EMCEE

HIGHLIGHTS



THE BIDVEST GROUP LIMITED (2005 – 2023)  
*Worked with the likes of John Legend, SEAL, Brian McKnight, Emeli Sandé and David Blaine, as well as the casts of AEROS, featuring members of the World and European Gymnastics Championship Team and The Imperial Circus, comprising members of The Beijing Circus and Cirque du Soleil.*



EVENT WEEK LAGOS – NIGERIA (2022)  
**Various concerts produced by LiveSpot360**



AN EVENING WITH SIR BRIAN MAY CBE –  
BORDEAUX, FRANCE (2022)  
*I had the pleasure to MC and conduct a discussion and fireside chat/Q&A with this legendary English musician, songwriter, singer and astrophysicist.*



EDUCATION AFRICA INTERNATIONAL ONLINE  
CONCERTS (2021 AND 2022)  
*In addition to my various responsibilities and roles I had the pleasure to Co-MC this event with Iranian born singer, songwriter, and a recipient of an Esquire Middle East Artist of the Year and Emirates Woman Artist of the Year Award, Dubai based Layla Kardan.*

*In 2022, I had the pleasure to Co-MC this event with CBS News National Correspondent and co-host on CBS Saturday Morning, New York based Michelle Miller.*



AN EVENING WITH FORREST WHITAKER,  
PRESENTED BY DISNEY (2019)  
**for SA-based Agency, Openfield**



ROUND GLASS MUSIC AWARDS 2018 (NEW YORK)  
**for Ricky Kej, Multiple Grammy Award Winner.**  
*Worked with artists the likes of Paquito D'Rivera, winner of fourteen Grammy-Awards and Tina Guo; Electric cellist, erhuist and composer, known for performing Wonder Woman's iconic theme in Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice.*



MEDIVET GROUP YEAR END, LONDON (2017)  
**for UK-based Agency, Corporate Innovations**



THE SOUTH AFRICAN MUSIC AWARDS AND THE  
SOUTH AFRICAN FILM & TELEVISION AWARDS  
*Since 2009, I have had the pleasure of working with various Production Companies on a number of these live televised events. My most recent being the South African Film and Television Awards for Don't Look Down TV in 2022.*

“I wanted to write a quick note to say thank you for looking after Emeli and our whole team so well. I've heard incredible reports from this weekend and without fail every single person has been blown away by your hospitality, generosity and the smooth organisation of the event.

Thank you again for everything you did for our team. We would love to work with you all again so please do keep in touch!”

**Kat Kennedy**  
Big Life Management  
On behalf of Emeli Sandé

