

WENDY SMITH

AWARD-WINNING AERIAL CINEMATOGRAPHER

Specialist in:

Action Aerial
Cinematography

Skydiving Stunts

World Class
Photography



*As high as you can see,
As far as you can go,
As emotional as you desire.*

PROFESSIONAL RESUME

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ World Record Holder
- ★ Emmy Award Winner
- ★ Over 15000 Skydives
- ★ Professional Cameraman
- ★ International Coach and load organiser
- ★ Competitor, Model Stunt Skydiver
- ★ Instructor AFF
- ★ Freely Kiwi School of Body Flight (founder and coach)
- ★ Chief Safety Officer NZPIA.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERTISE

- New Zealand ENR Nurse, special in Operating Theatre.
- Horse Trainer and Endurance Rider,
- International Courier DHL London,
- Aircraft Engineering –
 - Westley Aircraft, England.
 - Icarus Aerotechnics, France.
 - Aerotech, Ardmore NZ.
- Private Pilots Licence –
 - Night Rating
 - Parachute Drop Rating.
- Car, Motor Cycle and Heavy Traffic Truck licences,
- Royal Surf Life Saver,
- NZPIA qualified Chief Safety Officer,
- AFF Instructor, Drop Zone Safety Officer.
- Freely Kiwi School of Bodyflight, founder and chief coach.
- Hollywood Stunt Skydiver,
- Aerial Fashion Model
- Photographer
- Film Cameraman (16 years)
- International Skydiving Camera co-ordinator (10 years)
- International Speaker

20 Years in Sport Skydiving

- International Competitor since 1989.
- Stunt Skydiver for Commercials Body Form UK
- Stunt Skydiver for SONY, Godman Films UK.
- Stunt Skydiver for ABC television a Disney Group Production for The E Team, USA.
- Stunt Skydiver for World first Triple Tandem Skydive, Simon Sward, UK.
- Stunt Skydiver for World first SKYSURF Tandem skydive, Extreme Skydiving Productions France.
- Participant European 150 way formation skydive.
- First woman to test jump BAE 146 jet aircraft
- First woman jumping Super 16mm and High Definition cameras for aerial cinematography.
- Participant in Women's World Record 100 way skydiving formation
- Jump for the cause 118, 131 and present 2005 women's world record 152 formation skydiving participant and talent recruiter. www.jumpforthecause.com
- Participant in Lima Maritime and Aerospace Air-show International Display Team Malaysia.
- www.exoticskyadventures.nl (staff)
- Participant and cameraman in Olympic Display team Brittany Ferries, Spain 1992.
- Bronze Medal Women's Skysurfing competition 1994.
- Silver and Bronze multi medal holder Extreme Pro Tour SSI Free-flight Competition
- Participant New Zealand national formation RW5 team 1995 World Championships.
- Filmed and Photographed World Records and largest skydiving formations, 200, 216, 287, 300 and 357 way formations.
- 1996 Sports Emmy Award Winner by the National Academy of television Arts and Sciences.
- Sasakawa Sports Foundation Japan Photo Contest finals 1997
- SSI Pro Tour Extreme Games Endorsed Judge, Media Camera flyer and competitor.(4 years)
- Performance Designs European Tour Freely Coach and Camera flyer.
- Freely Kiwi School of Body-flight – founder and Chief coach internationally.
- NZ Vertical Descent Adventures, location guide, Cameraman, AAF Instructor and Chief safety Officer.
- Development of Corp Advertisement moving images: France, New Zealand, USA.
- France 1995, 2003 International World Skydiving Championships: official event cameraman.

- USA National Skydiving Championships event / media cameraman – photographer 2000, 2004, 2005.
- International skydiving events: moving images / photographic co-ordinator.(USA, France, Turkey, New Zealand)
- International Speaker: Conferences
- International load organiser: www.exoticskyadventures.nl www.thaiskyfestival.com www.espaceboogie.com
- New Zealand 1999 National Open Skysurfing Gold Medal and Bronze medal holder in open RW4 formation skydiving event cameraman.
- New Zealand Women's formation skydiving team 1999 – World Skydiving Championships
- Guinness book of records participant in world largest parachute drop into Bangkok for
- His majesty The King of Thailand, World team 1999 and 2004.
- Recruiter and participant: Jump for the cause Women's World record largest formation 2002
- Stunt skydiver, Aerial film cameraman and Executive Producer with Patrick Passe for Crosswind Film Productions France.
- Stunt model skydiver for BLUEBOOK 2000 publications, Monica Salvarani – Italy.
- French Cup national Skydiving Championships Silver medalist in Freestyle disciplines 2000 – 2001
- International Women's Speed Gold Medalist 2000
- New Women's World Record holder for Speed skydiving France 2000
- New Zealand Skydiving Nationals 2005 Gold Medal, 2 way advanced, Bronze medal 2 way intermediates – camera flyer.
- Exotic Sky Adventures Load organiser and cameraman, Malaysia, Thailand, Uruguay.

COMMERCIAL FILM AND PHOTOGRAPHY FOR:

- Transworld Sport International
- Ricoh Cameras UK
- Godman Films UK
- MTV Europe
- ESPN USA
- Sector No Limits Italy
- Swiss Television Time Out
- French Television Ushuaia
- 123 Productions France
- New Caledonia
- In-flight Programmes USA
- Communicado NZ, TVNZ Mountain Dew on the Edge with Lana Cockroft
- Country Wide NZ
- Adrenalize 2000, Southern Light Productions NZ
- Norman Kent Productions, USA
- Tom Sanders Aerial Focus Productions USA
- BJ Worth Big Star Films USA
- Patrick Passe Traveling Extreme Skydiving productions France
- Extreme Games Skysurfing Pro tour ESPN 2 USA
- World Air Games of Aerial Adventure Turkey 1996
- Boards over Europe – Swiss Air and Movenpick Euro-sport
- World Team 1999 Russia Aerial Focus and Big Star films, USA
- Pioneer Productions UK Extreme Machine (cameras) for Discovery Channel
- Discovery Learning Channel USA , Image Impossible
- Parz Pictures New York 'You are here' skydiving footage
- Blue Sky AB – Sweden 'Picture Impossible Anapa Russia'
- Big Star films – World Cup 2000 - Discovery channel USA
- Traveling, Antigravity and Crosswind – Extreme skydiving Productions, France
- World Air games 2001 Granda Spain Skydiving Media Cameraman and Photographer
- Warren Miller Films, Telemark Films Inc. Aerial Cinematography and Stunt Skydiver for ABC Television USA by the Disney Group 2001

- Discovery channel Mountain Film Unit cameraman, Extreme Tribe
- Go Fast New World Record 300 way formation and Guinness Book of records for worlds largest formation skydive - Aerial Cinematographer and photographer 2002
- Mondial de Parachutisme 1995 and 2003 World skydiving championships France – Event Cameraman and Photographer.
- New World Record 'World Team' 357 way skydiving formation, Aerial Cameraman and event Photographer, Thailand 2004
- www.theworldteam.com
- Wanted - Blu Steven NZ: HD Aerial Cinematographer for Panasonic Japan – 2005
- Imagination Television NZ: Aerial Cinematographer and photographer for Mr Charming 2005

International events load organiser and Cameraman:

- Exotic Sky Adventures: Malaysia 1994, Thailand 2004, Uruguay 2005
- Thai Sky Festival: Thailand, 2004 /2005/2006
- World Team Thailand 2004: Mass parachute drop, Guinness book of records and world record 357 formation – participant and cameraman
- World Team Thailand 2006 - New World record 400 way skydiving formation, Guinness book of records 960 mass parachute drop - participant and cameraman
- Espace Boogie France: 1990 through to 2005 Annual event cameraman, photographer, big screen editing, load organisation. www.espaceboogie.com
- Russia Malevsky Cup 2005 - multi discipline media cameraflyer and photographer
- USA National Skydiving Championships 2005 Perris Valley California, Multi discipline media cameraman and photographer

