

# LARS SCHWINGES

## Series Producer / Producer Director

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## INTRODUCTION

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Experienced Series Producer, Director and Producer/Director specialising in factual entertainment, reality game shows, documentary and lifestyle programming. Since 2014 I have headed up 12 challenge-based reality titles and 3 lifestyle shows. I have worked across editorial production, including casting and development. I also have over 95 hours under my belt as Edit Producer on 10 titles.

Having recently relocated from South Africa, I am wanting to break into the UK market. I am therefore looking for PD or EP roles in Fact Ent, Reality or Lifestyle. I have the right to work and have a full clean drivers licence.

## CREDITS

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### SP - 'My Design Rules' - season 1 (13x24') & season 2 (17x24')

TAC Studios - Amazon Prime

01/2019 - 07/2020

Interior design challenge reality show - similar to 'The Block' where teams of two try out-design each other, room by room.

- Directed new host presenter links and Edit Produced the repackaging of the 'Win a Home' series into this 24' format.
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### PD - 'Tropika Island of Treasure: Curaçao' - season 9 (13x50')

Cardova Productions - SABC 3

11/2019 - 12/2019

Beach game show reality series similar to 'Shipwrecked' / 'Survivor' / 'I'm a Celebrity' - celebs paired with everyday contestants.

- Cast celebrity contestants, developed games/challenges and plotted episode structures. Directed confessionals.
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### SP - 'The Next Brand Ambassador' (13x46')

Cardova Productions - SABC 3

05/2019 - 11/2019

An 'Apprentice' style reality competition format with marketing and brand building challenges.

- SP role included contestants casting, challenge development, client management, directing confessionals and Edit Producing.
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### SP - 'Win a Home' - season 4 (17x50') and season 5 (13x48')

Cardova Productions - SABC 3

04/2017 - 12/2018

Interior design competition reality show, resulting in a viewer winning their choice of the completed homes live in studio.

- SP role included casting contestants, judges and mentors, client management, Edit Producing and gallery producing live.
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### SP & Director - 'Presenter Search on 3' - season 1 (13x50') & season 2 (13x50')

Cardova Productions - SABC 3

01/2015 - 07/2018

Talent search for new presenting talent to win jobs as show hosts - similar format to 'The Voice'/'Idols' but for TV presenters.

- Planned and facilitated mass auditions at stadiums. Structured tasks and episodes. Produced and Directed on location.
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### Director & Edit Prod - 'Tropika Island of Treasure: Maldives' - season 8 (13x48')

Cardova Productions - SABC 3

11/2017 - 05/2018

- Directed games on location and team confessionals. Edit Produced season.

# CREDITS

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## SP & Director - 'Tropika Island of Treasure: Seychelles' - season 7 (13x48')

[Cardova Productions - SABC 3](#)

📅 09/2016 - 06/2017

- Developed show format and challenges, conducted recce, directed on location and Edit Produced series.
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## SP - 'Pasella' - season 24 (15x24')

[Tswelopele Productions - SABC 3](#)

📅 12/2015 - 04/2016

Afrikaans language lifestyle magazine travel show featuring celebrities, food and decor.

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## SP - 'Win a Home' - season 2 (13x52') & season 3 (75x10')

[Cardova Productions - SABC 3](#)

📅 09/2015 - 11/2015

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## SP - 'Afternoon Express' - launch season / live (70x60')

[Cardova Productions - SABC 3](#)

📅 04/2015 - 10/2015

Daily live studio chat and variety show similar to 'The One Show' / 'The View'. Celebrities, cooking, music performances, etc.

- Set the visual style of the show including logo and theme. Headed up content team. Gallery produced the first 70 episodes.
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## SP & Director - 'Hayden Quinn: South Africa' (13x24')

[Cardova Productions - SABC 3, TLC Asia & SBS Food Australia](#)

📅 01/2014 - 07/2014

Cooking road trip through South Africa - sustainability journey from farm to fork. Host: Hayden Quinn of Masterchef Australia.

- Developed the series, planned the narrative, route traveled and chefs featured. Directed on location. Edit Produced
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## PD - 'Top Billing' (450x5')

[Tswelopele Productions - SABC3](#)

📅 04/2008 - 12/2013

A leading lifestyle magazine show featuring 'the best of the good life' - celebrity, travel, food and design around the world.

- Researched, set up and directed segments shots around the world, producing over 450 stories (each 5 to 12 mins in duration).
  - Traveled to over 30 countries, PD'd celebrity interviews including; David Hasselhoff, Adam Lambert, Gordon Ramsey, etc
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## SP & Director - 'Below the Belt' (13x24')

[Underdog Productions - SABC 3, TIMM \(Germany\) & Foxtel \(Australia\)](#)

📅 02/2003 - 09/2003

Off-beat late night 'mock investigative' adult series, hosted by female impersonator 'The Baroness', looking at topics of sex.

- Helped develop the format. Secured access to sensitive locations (swingers club, gay bathhouse). Directed & Edit Produced.
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# REFERENCES

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