

David Porteous

ARTISTIC PORTFOLIO

FILM

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About

David Porteous is an award winning Canadian solo singer/songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, documentary filmmaker, audio/ video engineer, photographer, graphic designer and retired magician originally from Toronto, Canada.

There are few artists who can legitimately call themselves professionals in multiple creative disciplines and Porteous is one of those few. Whether it's creating award winning documentary films, recording lead guitar in Portugal with Boz Boorer of Morrissey, filming and writing music on-location in a WWII-era foxhole, producing records for dozens of other artists, performing magic tricks for David Copperfield, this Canadian artist is at home when and wherever he is being creative.



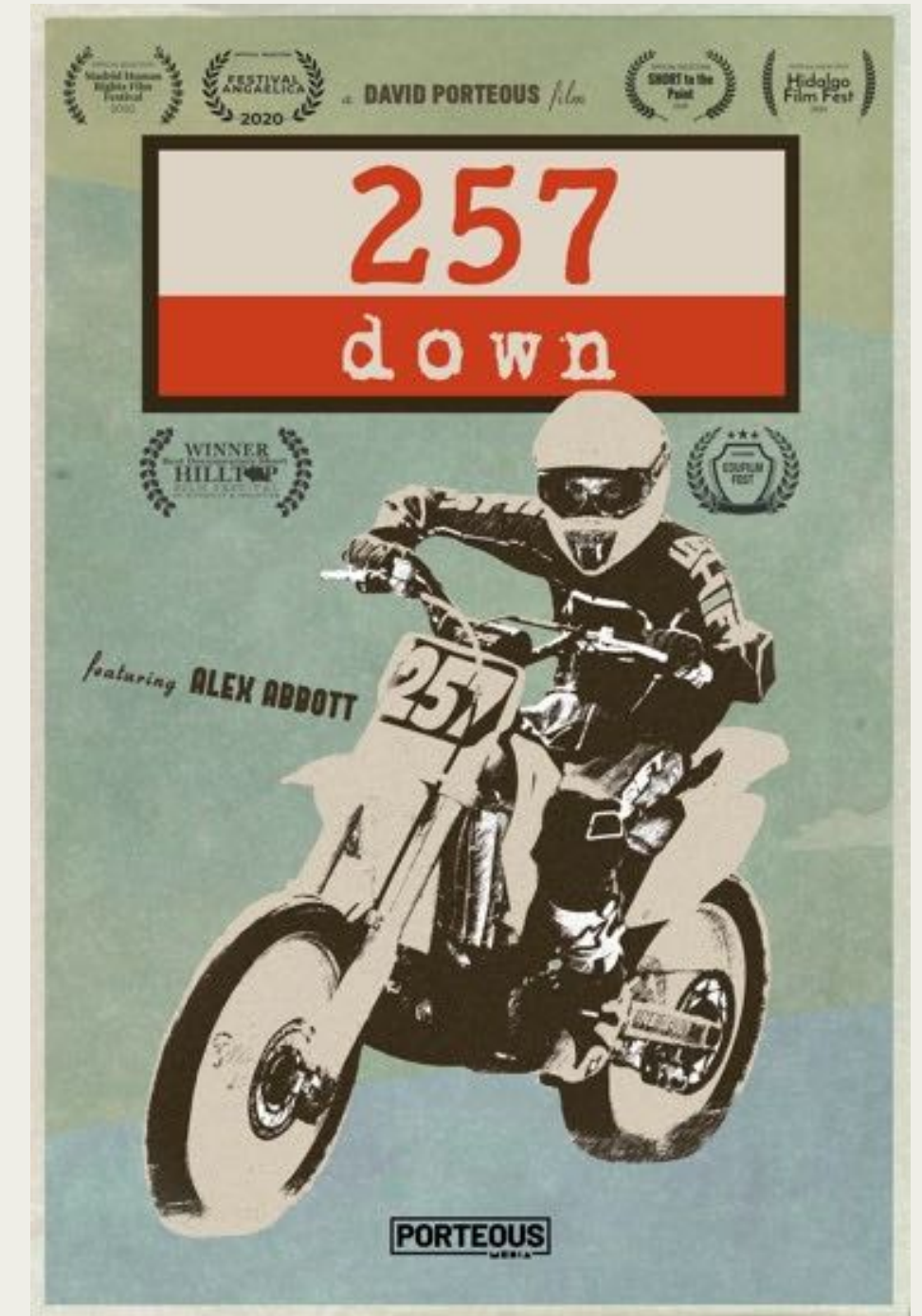
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MEDIA

*"... **257 Down**, a film focused on patience, endurance, and courage, to raise awareness about individuals who experience barriers in our society and inspire them, as well as open public discussion about this vital subject matter... a great example of how we can progress as a contemporary society."*

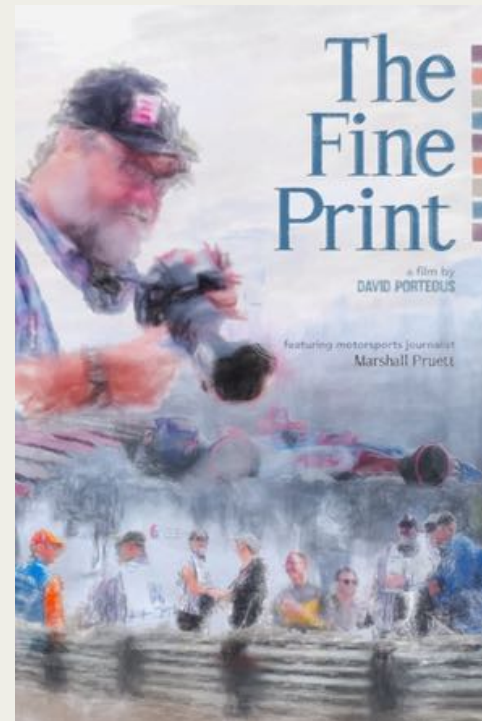
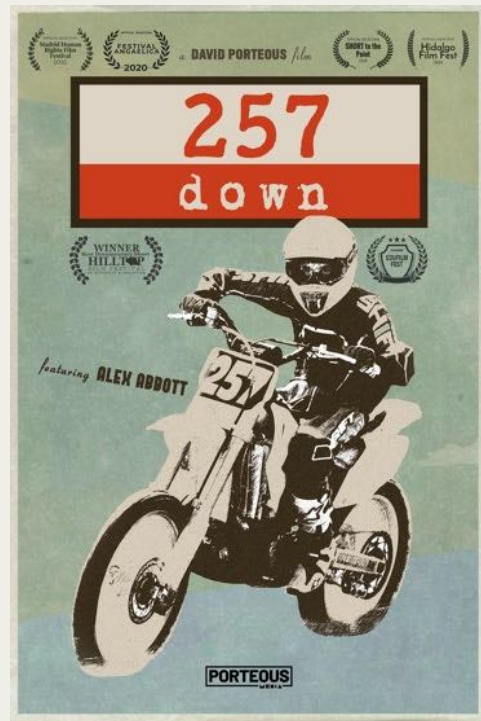
Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

257 Down

Directed by David Porteous



Documentary Film



“A very beautiful film.”
Hilltop Film Festival of Diversity and Inclusion



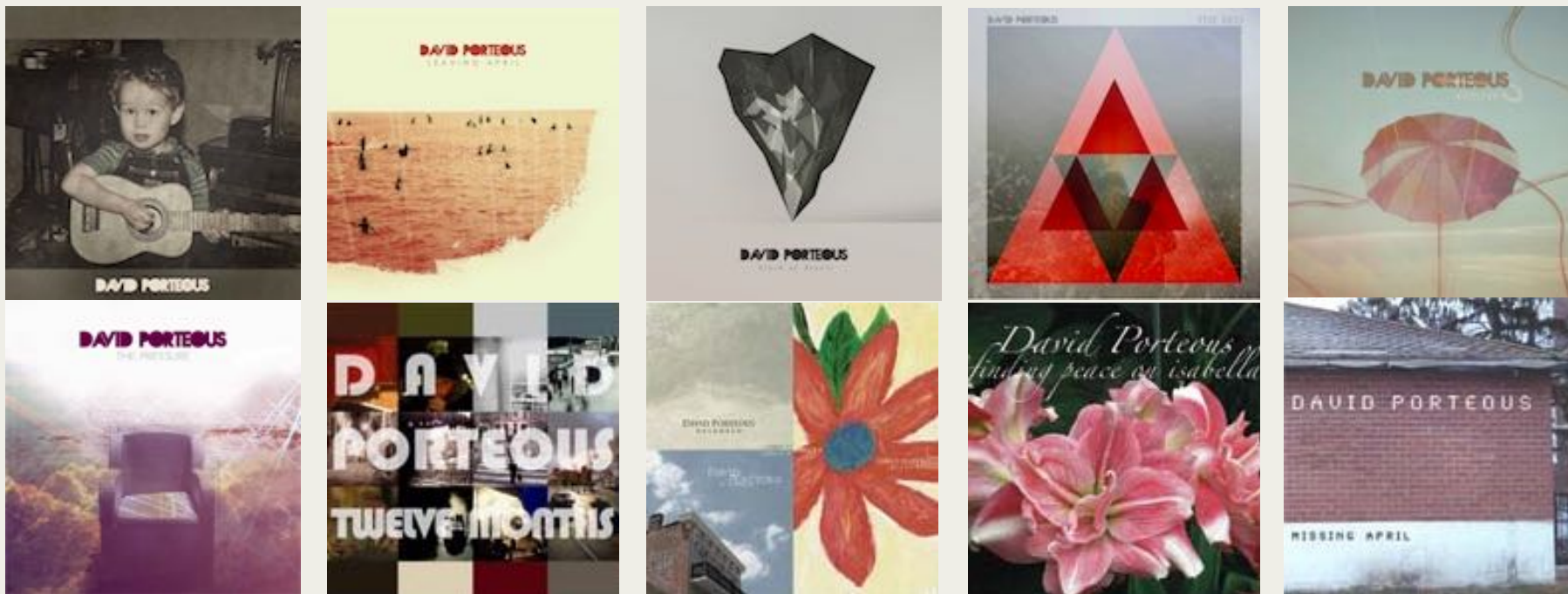
Featured in:



Singer/Songwriter



- NOW Magazine NXNE Music Festival "Critics' Pick"
- First Prize, National Anthem Song Contest
- Honourable Mention, Billboard Song Contest
- Performed in over 10 countries around the world
- Showcase performer at music festivals including CMJ (New York), Havnekulturfestival (Denmark), NXNE (Toronto), Music City North, Indie Music Week, Acoustic Edinburgh (UK), and Canadian Music Week.



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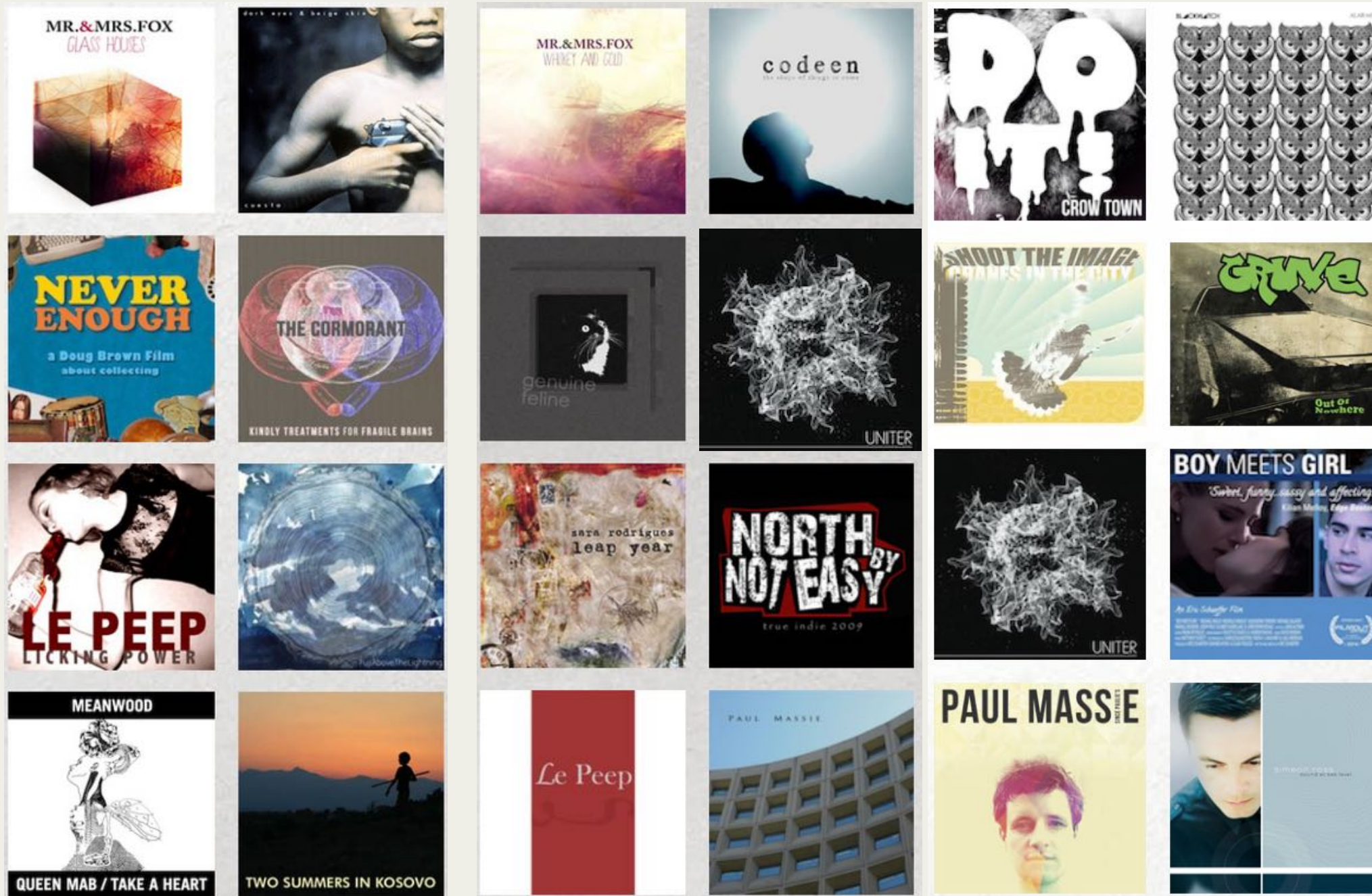
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The Shield (review of Canadian Music Week Showcase)

Lead Guitar / Multi Instrumentalist



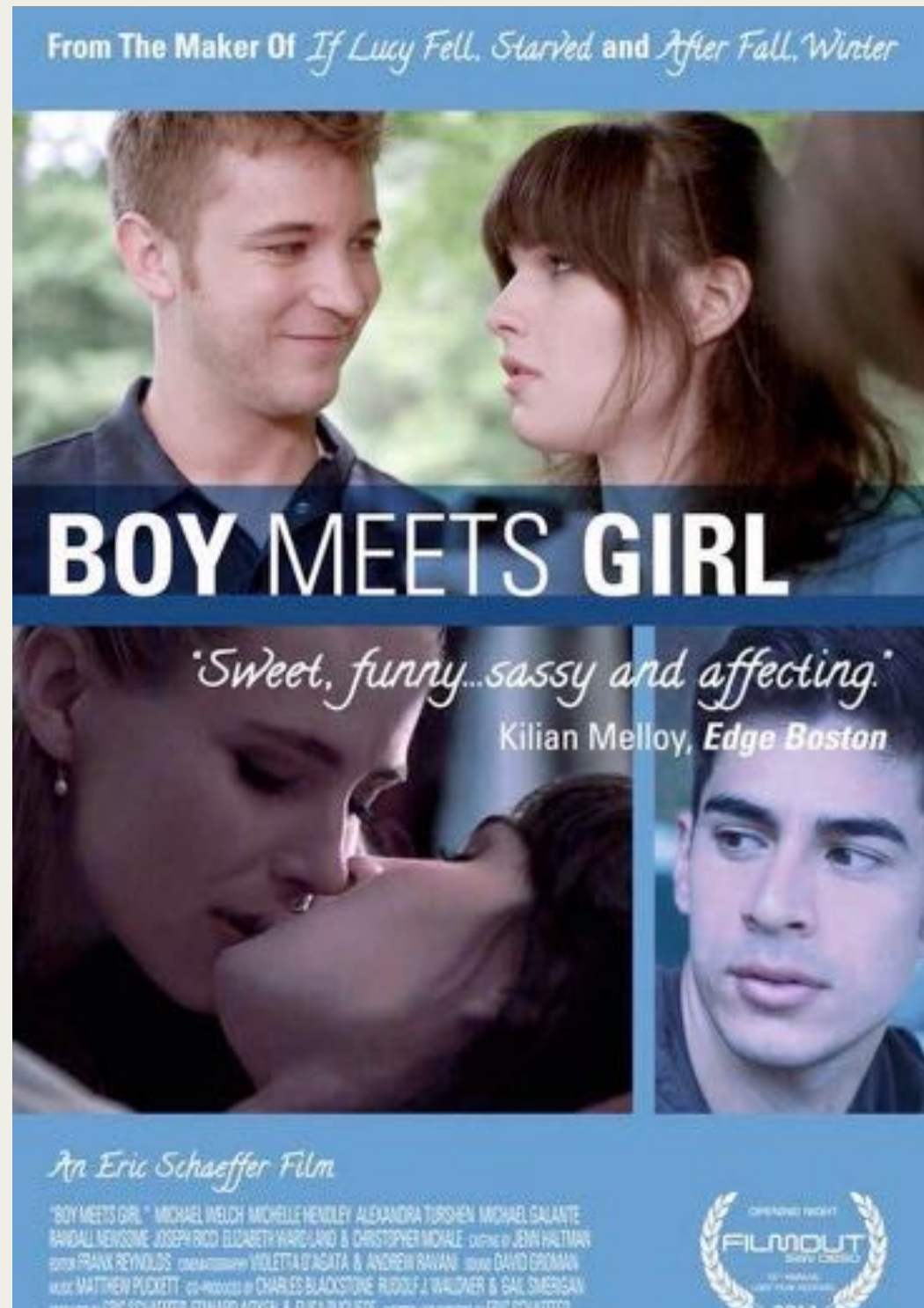
- Highly regarded lead guitar player
- Has toured / performed live / session guitar player on hundreds of occasions
- Lead guitar player (live or in studio) for many great acts such as **Simeon Ross, Mary Simon, Battlebear, Ryan Isojima, Paul Massie, Kris Foran, Codeen, cuesta, Le Peep, Doug Brown, Shoot The Image, Project MUSE, Uniter, Gückle** and many more.
- Multi-instrumentalist with guitar, drumming, bass and piano performances heard as backing tracks on songs on commercial radio, college radio and motion picture feature films

Music Production



- Produced, recorded and/or mixed music on over 100 releases for other artists, capturing every genre of music from folk, rock, hip hop, jazz and more.
- Wrote and recorded music for the HBO pilot "Life"
- Produced the theme song for the **Decoding The Man** Podcast
- The album "Out of Nowhere" produced by Porteous for the band Gruve was nominated as Rock Recording of the Year at the Hamilton Music Awards

Feature Film



Winner of over 30 film festival awards, **Boy Meets Girl** stars trans actor Michelle Hendley and Michael Welch (Twilight) with music written and recorded by David Porteous.



Before I Go stars Annabella Sciorra (The Sopranos) and Robert Klein with music written and performed by David Porteous.



War Music

Documentary Film & Music Album

(Synopsis) Row after row of white marble headstones. Beaches that were stormed by Allied troops during World War II. A young Canadian with only his acoustic guitar and his camera.

War Music documents singer/songwriter David Porteous' solo journey across Europe as he writes and records music inspired by the people he meets and the places he visits.

David's journey is one to understand the war from the perspective of those most affected by it - the soldiers who survived, the civilians who still live with the war, and a younger generation who struggles to find a new identity.

David's powerful, emotive music provides a soundtrack that draws us deep into an often glamorized time in human history and gives us an incredibly honest look at how World War II continues to affect us.

War Music premiered in Scotland and was featured on the BBC. CBC, was screened to raise money for veterans and the film is being used as a teaching tool at Ontario Tech University.

Any project of such wide scope has potential for missteps, but Porteous's earnest songs, which we literally watch him write on the battlefields of Europe, bring some urgency to events that for many of us are usually just pieces of history. And that's no small feat."

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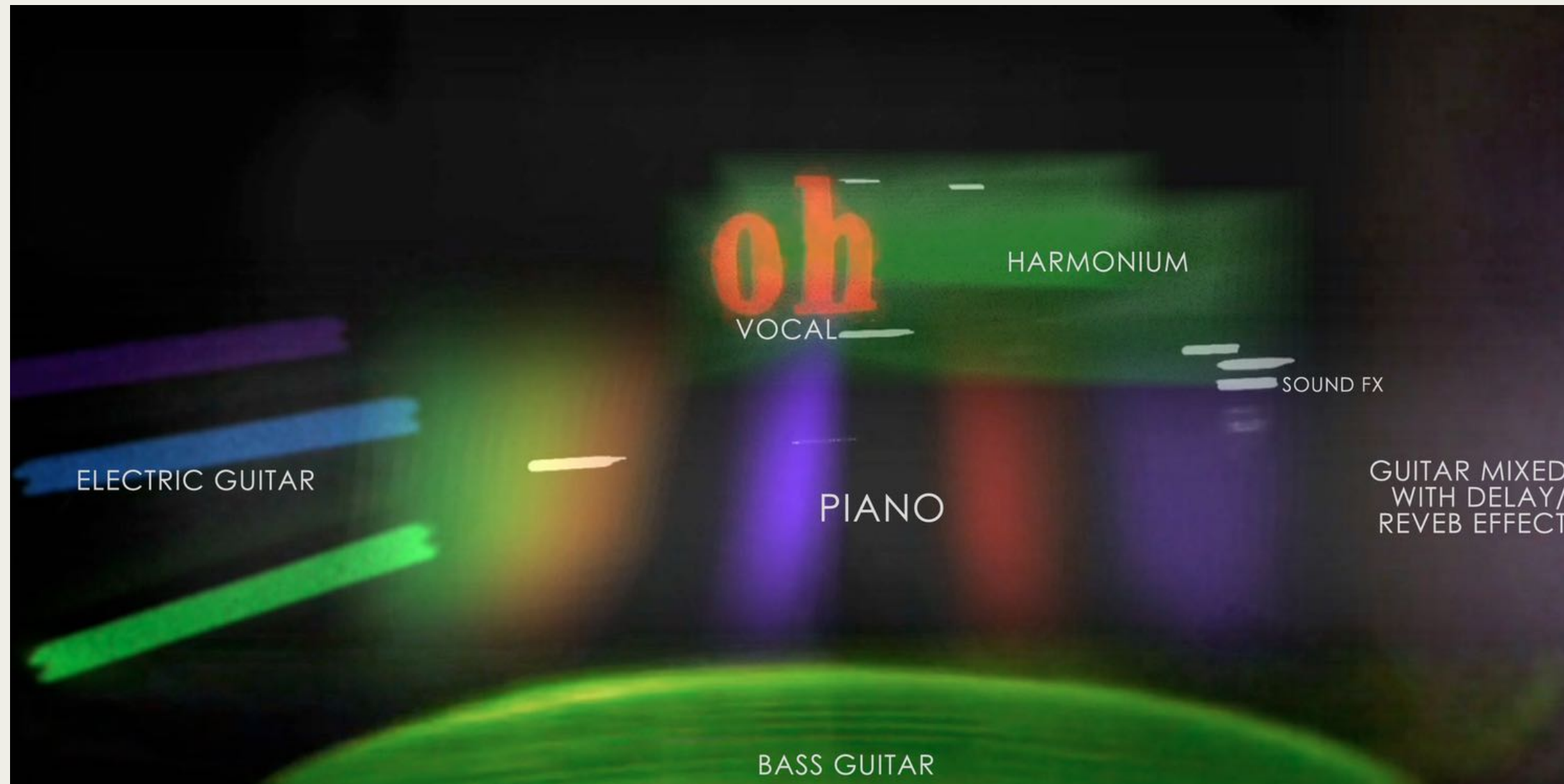
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@EdtheSock

Appropriate for today, check out [@davidporteous](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vn6TlS...) doc on WWII music [youtube.com/watch?v=vn6TlS...](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vn6TlS...)

Creative Firsts

The World's First Music Video for the Deaf



This music video was created to invite the deaf community into the world of music by showing how recorded music is constructed.

Each instrument in this video was created from scratch by filming various light sources.

The size, texture and position of each 'visual instrument' reflects how the instrument was mixed in the audio recording. The colour of the instrument is significant with regard to its pitch by identifying the correlation between pitch and the frequency of light and colour.

"It's so compelling and intriguing...it takes the musical experience to a whole other level."

Asha Tomlinson, CBC

"You don't need to be able to hear to enjoy this song."

The Daily What

Creative Firsts



My Fallen Company was the world's first music video album designed for the iPod Video Player.

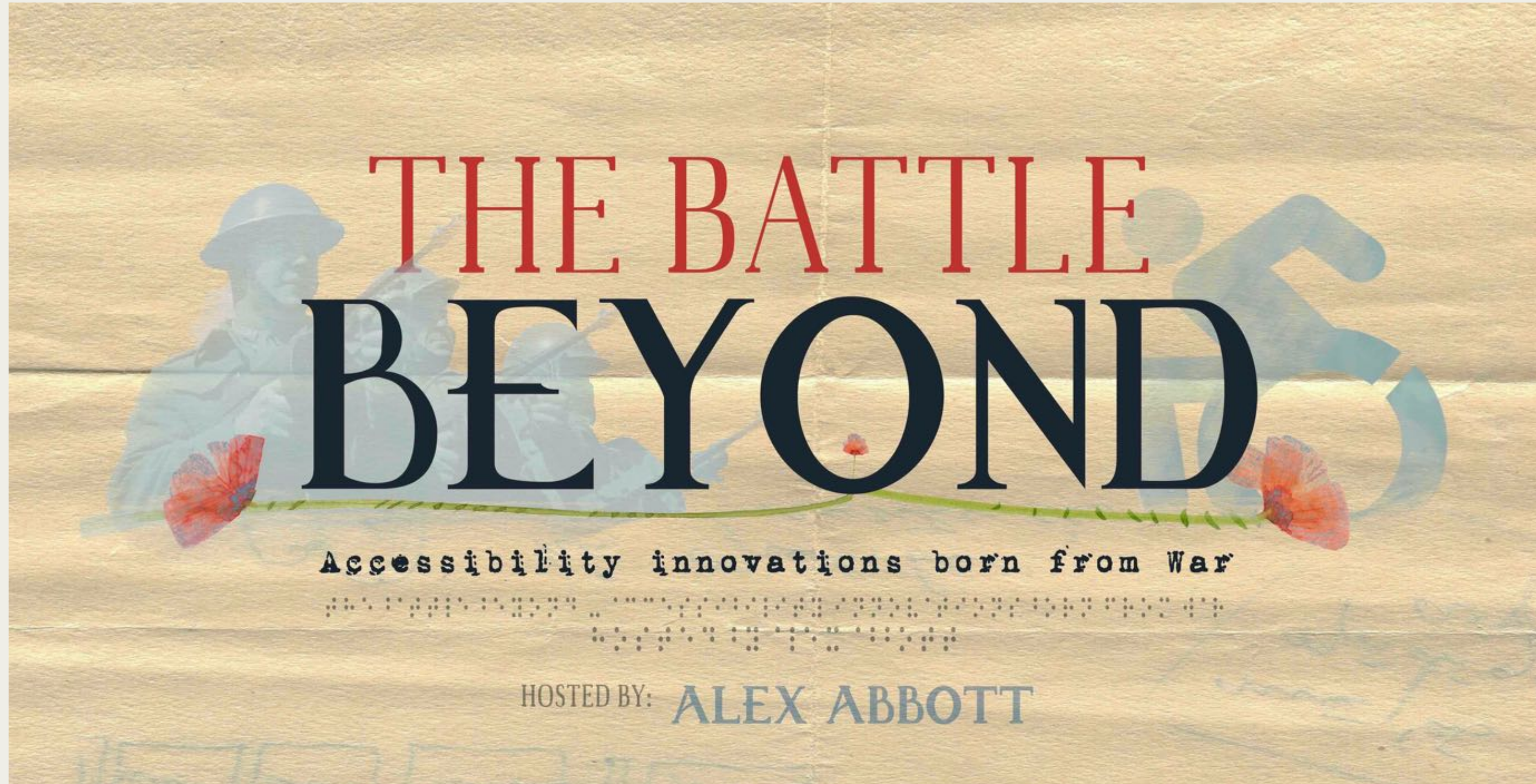
Filmed and recorded on location in Ayr, Scotland featuring live off-the-floor recordings filmed in unique locations including a cliffs edge, a castle and a cemetery.



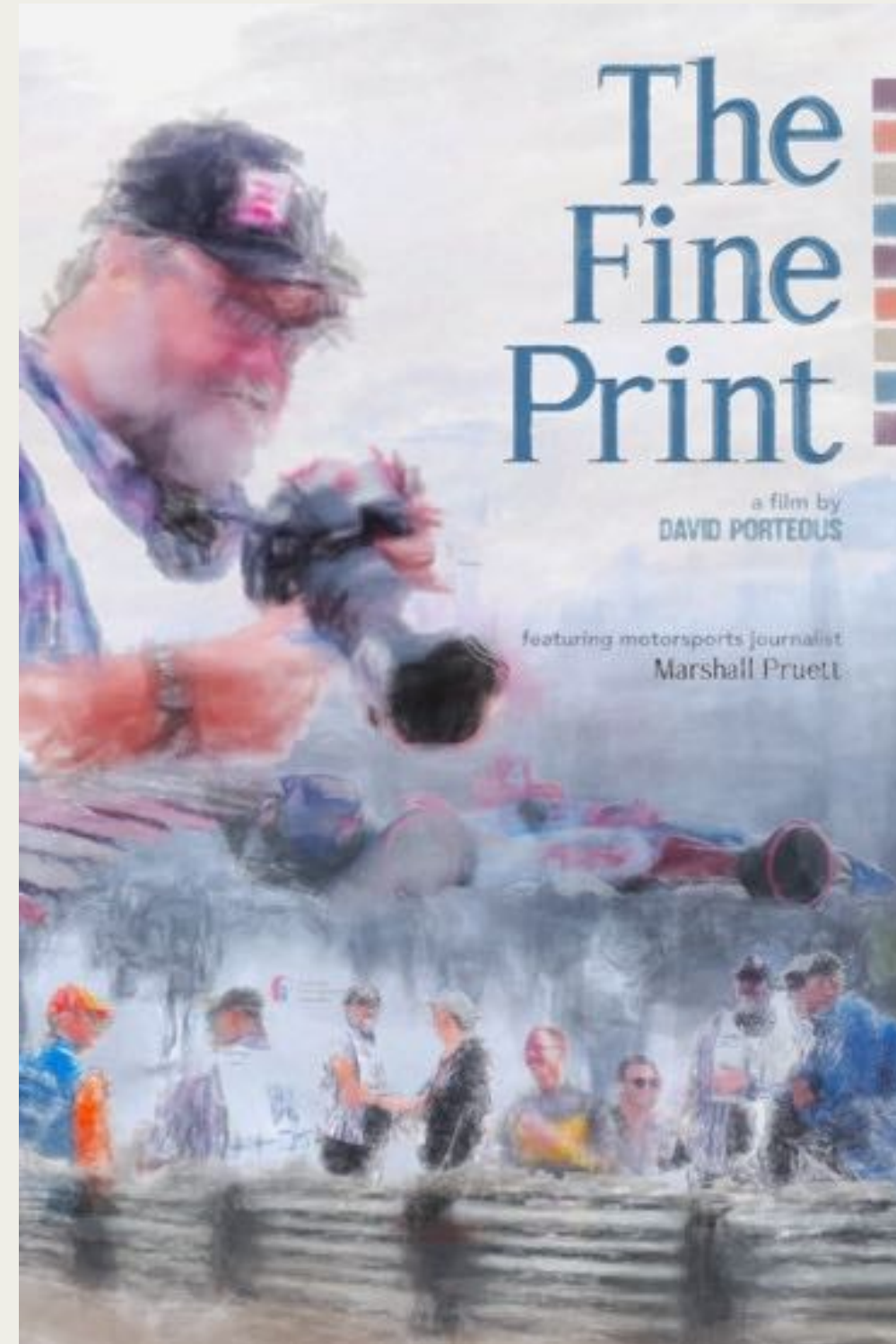
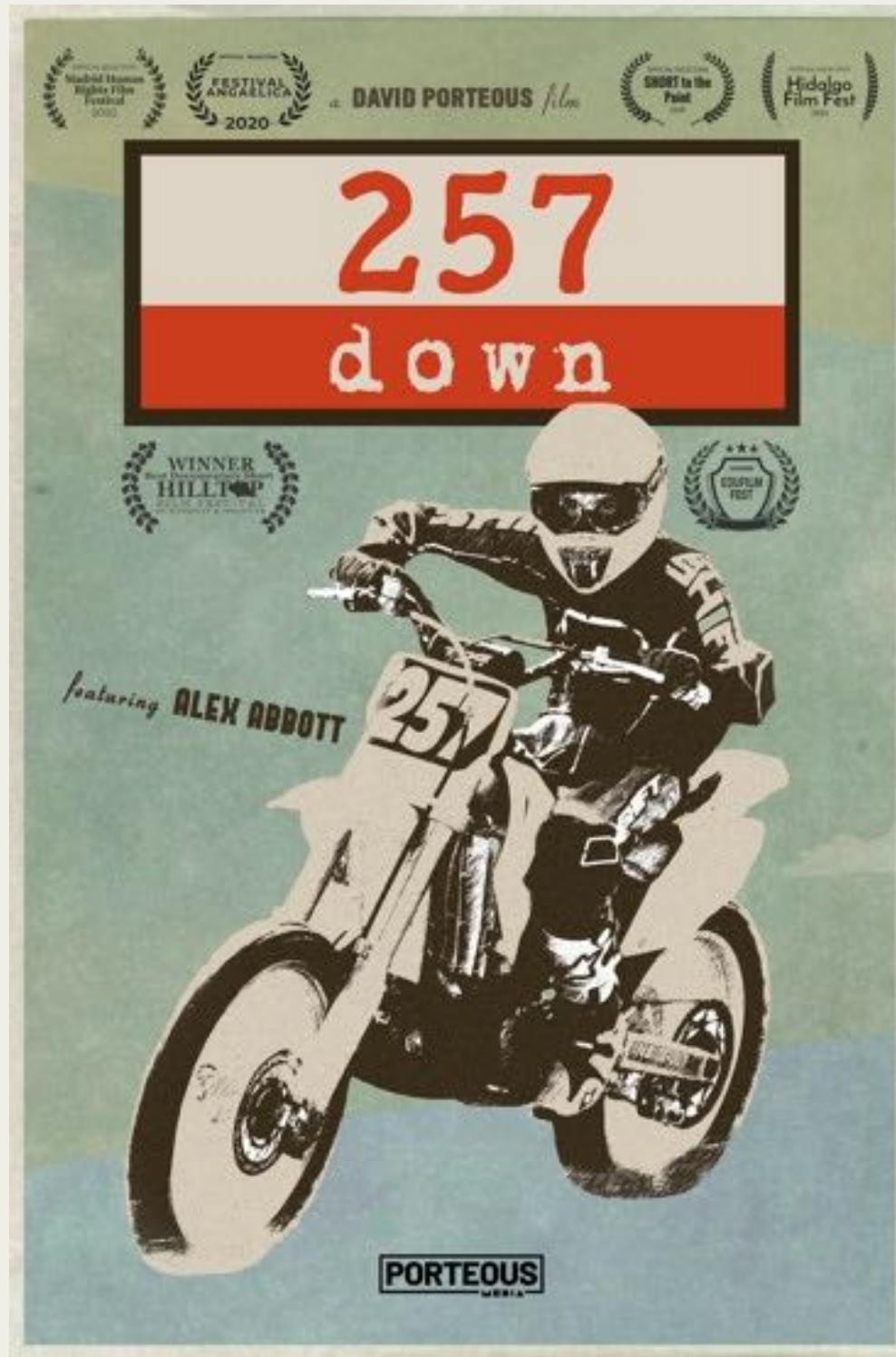
The World's Tallest Press Release was created to promote David Porteous' single "Fighting Talk".



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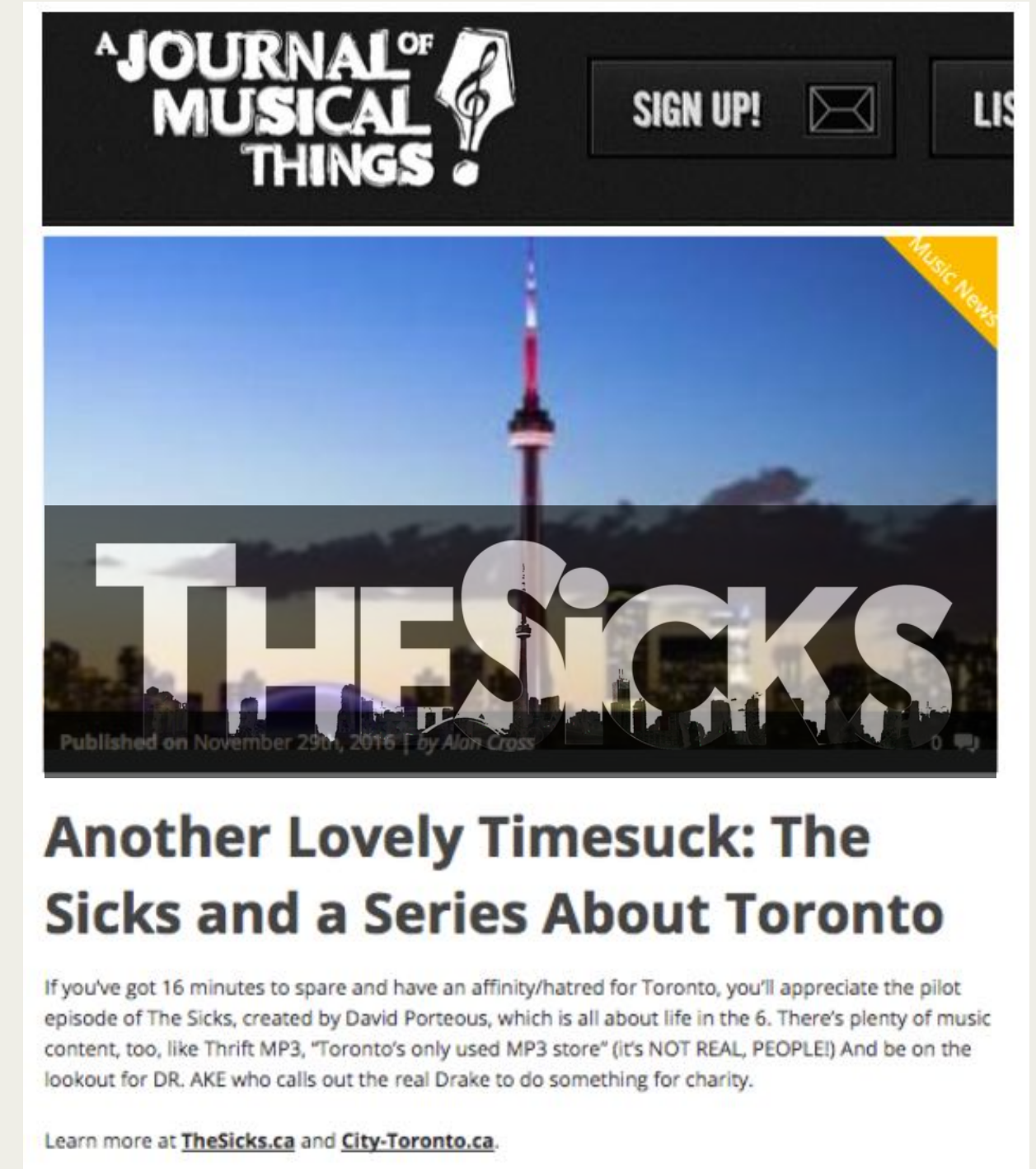
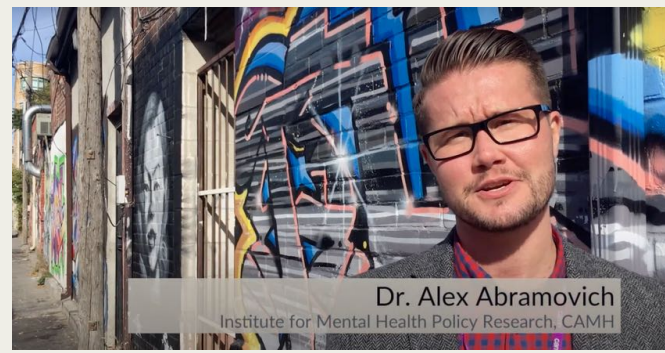
The Sicks

Comedy Video Series

The Sicks is a parody-comedy video series about Toronto, written and directed by David Porteous.

The Sicks offers a highly imaginative melding of reality and fiction. But life in the parody city is not all fun-and-games. The show highlights some serious issues in the real city of Toronto, including hunger insecurity, the adverse effects of white privilege and the alarming number LGBTQ2S+ homeless youth.

Guests on the show included Dr. Alex Abramovich from The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Gail Nyberg, the Executive Director of the Daily Bread Food Bank and independent artists including Duane Forrest, Jay Pollmann and the multidisciplinary artist Vasilis Glezakos.



The Sicks featured on Alan Cross' A Journey of Musical Things

Fundraising & Giving Back

Fundraising Music Tour for the Canadian Women's Foundation

The music tour, headlined and organized by David Porteous, featuring 20+ musicians, with over half of the performers being women.

The tour raised \$3600 for the Canadian Women's Foundation.



“The funds raised will help women and girls across Canada move out of violence, out of poverty, and into confidence.”

Jessica Howard, Canadian Women's Foundation

DAVID PORTEOUS
2015 FUNDRAISING TOUR FOR THE
CANADIAN WOMEN'S FOUNDATION
WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

TOUR DATES

AUG 08	KINGSTON, ON	Musikki Café
AUG 10	MONTREAL, QC	BarPub St-Denis
AUG 12	FREDERICTON, NB	Three Sisters Café
AUG 13	MONCTON, NB	Pian B
AUG 15	SAINT ANDREWS, NB	Sunbury Shores Arts & Nature Centre
AUG 17	HALIFAX, NS	The Company House
AUG 18	CHARLOTTETOWN, PEI	Baba's Lounge
AUG 19	BELLE RIVER, PEI	Old Belle River Church
AUG 22	OTTAWA, ON	Raw Sugar Café
AUG 23	TORONTO, ON	The Pison



CBC Prince Edward Island

1 hr •

He's a singer song-writer and a film maker...and now David Porteous is on a tour to raise money for the Canadian Women's Foundation. He'll tell us about his two shows this week on PEI. That's this afternoon on Mainstreet.

Fundraising & Giving Back

Drum Kit Donation in memory of Scott Johnson

As an avid Radiohead fan since he was a teenager, David Porteous felt compelled to do something positive after hearing the news Radiohead's drum tech, Scott Johnson, was killed after the stage collapsed just hours before a Radiohead concert.

Porteous held a series of benefit concerts in Toronto and used the money raised to purchase an electronic drum kit which was donated to Fort York Library in Toronto. Now anyone with a library card can play the kit for free!

Philip Selway, the drummer of Radiohead, got wind of Porteous' efforts and met up with Porteous in Toronto to announce he was going to do the same at Manchester Public Library in the UK.

Selway was joined by Guy Garvey (Elbow), Stephen Morris (New Order/Joy Division) and Jim James (My Morning Jacket) where they donated a drum kit in memory of Scott to Manchester Public Library, all of which was captured live on BBC Radio.



Fundraising & Giving Back

A Dollar a Lap to Stop the Gap Fundraisers

David Porteous volunteered his time and organized two fundraisers at IndyCar races in Toronto and mid Ohio to raise money for the accessibility charity StopGap Foundation.

In partnership with technology company Surgere and the race team Fatboy Racing, the fundraisers raised over \$10 000 for the StopGap Foundation. This equates to the cost of building 40 single step accessible ramps!



Media & Press

"...a talented singer/songwriter and documentary filmmaker."

Janice Forsyth, BBC

The Fine Print "is rather remarkable for a one-man production."

Marshall Pruett, RACER

"Arguably the most prolific artist in our own community."

Vic Schukov, Brighton Independent

"...what I call prolific."

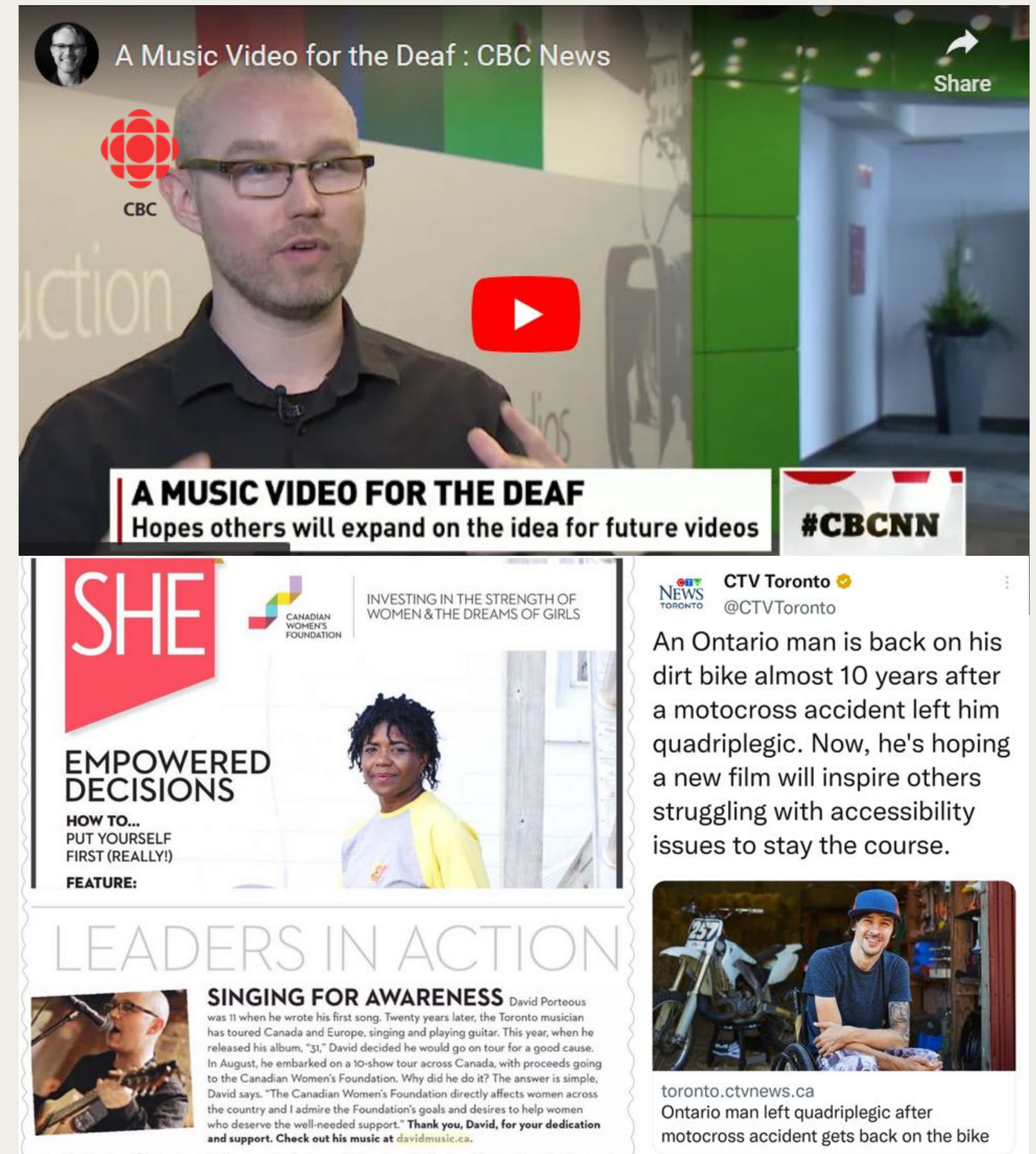
Mark Medley, National Post

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