



## WELLINGTON BOMBER

1 x 60'

At the height of Bomber Command's attempts to batter Nazi Germany into submission in 1943, the RAF and the War Ministry came up with a propaganda wheeze: Could a Wellington bomber be built from scratch in a single day? The attempt to do so took place at an aircraft factory at Broughton, near Chester. And the whole exercise was filmed. We see the Wellington from first bolt to roll-out and hear from five of the men and women who built her in 23 hours and 50 minutes.

Peter Williams TV for BBC4



## UNDERWORLD AT WAR

 $7 \times 30$ 

It is believed that World War II was a time when everyone in Britain pulled together in an effort to defeat Nazi Germany. However, award-winning director Peter Williams has unearthed stories of murder, petty crime and spies in local villages and towns, that remained undetected during the five years of war.

Peter Williams TV for ITV1





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Life, said the survivors, was never quite the same again, after June 6th 1944. With testimony from the UK, the US, the Commonwealth and Germany, The Shortest Day documents the meticulous planning leading up to the world's biggest amphibious invasion, the terror and triumph of the landings and the bitterness of the fighting in the days that followed.

Peter Williams TV for ITV1



1x 60' NEW 💯

On May 31st 1916, the British Royal Navy precipitated a head-to-head battle with the German Imperial fleet, sending 151 British warships to confront the 99 ships of the German High Seas Fleet. This was supposed to be Britain's second Trafalgar but rather ended as the bloodiest day in Royal Navy history. During 12 chaotic hours, over 6,000 Allied sailors died and 14 giant British warships sank to the bottom of the North Sea. A century on, historian Dan Snow, engineer Dr Shini Somara and Dr Nick Hewitt of the National Museum of the Royal Navy join forces to uncover the reasons for defeat, and analyse the impact it had on the results of the First World War.

True North Productions for BBC Two



Series 1: 6 x 30' | Series 2: 6 x 30'

In wartime, life can be tough, brutal and short. It can also be beautiful. This series tells the stories of love that blossomed during the tension and misery, the risk and uncertainty that is part and parcel of war. It is illustrated by hitherto unpublished – and very personal – letters and photographs.

Peter Williams TV in association with ITV



## DIGGING UP THE TRENCHES

2 x 60'

In Belgium's Flanders Fields, a team of archaeologists are conducting an historic dig. They are uncovering two World War One trenches – one Allied, one German. This is where trench warfare began, flourished and died in just four short years. Soon, these historic trenches will be paved over by highways and housing developments. But before the bulldozers arribe, a team of archaeologists have just ten days to find and save the weapons, tools and bones.

Cream Productions for Military Channel, History Television Inc, The History Channel (UK), SPIEGEL TV & Historia



## THE GREAT WAR BEGINS

1x 60'



The Great War Begins encapsulates the of war. Each vignette has been chosen because it reveals the human impact of war. Through these films we'll see how the Great War touched and transformed the lives of millions of people; from heroic servicemen engaged in terrifying battles to painstaking technicians revolutionising the communication systems and from an aspiring author contributing on the home front to the surprising impact on Britain's royal family. This programme, presented by leading broadcasters and academics, brings to life and commemorates a conflict that is, all too fast, receding in our collective memory.

The BBC and The Open University



