

# KEN BUTTI

Drone pilot | Gimbal Operator

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Ken Butti is a drone pilot and gimbal operator working in the Australian film and television industry. Licensed and operating since 2014 Ken was an early adopter of drone technology. Specialising in aerial cinematography using drones, he has a suite of over 8 custom-built drones, capable of flying in all ranges of environments and locations, flying a variety of camera and lens package to suite all productions, locations and budgets.

Specialising in aerial cinematography using drones on feature films, documentaries and TV commercials requires a set of unique skills, including precision flying, a deep understanding of cinematography and working on set, excellent communication skills and knowledge of airspace regulations and local regulations to get the necessary permits to fly anywhere the production requires. Trusted by some of Australia's best directors, dop's and production companies, he is an innovator at heart, striving to be at the cutting edge of aerial cinematography, in a constantly evolving industry.

## Recent work (selected)

FEATURE FILM / TV		
TITLE	CREW	ROLE
2024 Live Broadcast ABC Australia Day Live 2024 concert	Gravity Media Director: Simon Francis DOP: Bronwyn Allomes	Drone operator
2024 ABC TV- Drama PLUM	Modern Convict Films Director: Margie Beattie DOP: Drew English	Drone operator
2024 CBS TV - Drama NCIS - Sydney	ESA Productions 9 PTY LTD Director: Catherine Millar DOP: Richard Bradshaw	Drone operator
2023 Prime Videos - Drama Five Blind Dates	Goalpost Pictures Director: Shawn Seet DOP: Martin McGrath	Drone operator
Netflix Documentary ONEFOUR: Against All Odds	Entropico Director: Gabriel Gasparinatos	Drone operator
Broadcast Content - UFC UFC 284 - Volkonovski Vs Mackachev - Countdown	Happy Films	Drone Operator
2023 Live broadcast coverage 2023 World Athletics Cross Country Championships	Gravity Media Director: Lance Denison	Drone operator
2023 TV Drama Stan - 10 Pound Poms	Curio Pictures Director: Ana Kokkinos DOP: Carolyn Constantine	Drone operator
2022 Stan Mini Series Bali 2002	Director: Emma Jamvold DOP: Joseph Pickering	Drone operator
2022 TV Drama USA Eureka Productions: The Mole	Eureka Productions Director: Jo Siddiqui DOP: Peter Vidulich	Drone operator
2022 TV Drama The Twelve	The Twelve Films Director: Kara Eggleston DOP: Damian Wyvill	Drone operator
2021 Australian Broadcast Channel Wakefield, season 1	Jungle Entertainment Director Jocelyn Moorhouse Second unit DP Tania Lambert	Drone operator
2019 - 9 Network Love Island - 9 creative Promo	Nine Network Director: Adam Kiers DOP: Brad Shield	Drone operator
2019 WAR feature film	Production: Yash Raj Films Director: Siddharth Anand DOP: Benjamin Jasper	Drone pilot
2019 IMAX The Lost Empire of Angkor	Production: Definition Films Producer - Murray Pope DP Luke Peterson	Gimbal operator
2018 TV Broadcast Santos Tour Down Under Robbie McEwen race preview segments	Production: Beyond Action Director Darren Harvey DP Shane Smith	Drone operator
2018 SUPERCARS championship Sandown 500 Live Broadcast	Production: SUPERCARS Drone pilot Ken Butti camera op: Andy Willmott	Drone pilot

TVC		
TITLE	CREW	ROLE
2023 Fashion Campaign RM Williams	The Artist Group Director: Lester Jones DOP: Miller Best	Drone operator
2023 TVC Movember " The Mo is calling"	Revolver Director: Matt Devine DOP Jordan Maddocks	Drone operator
2023 TVC Menu Log 'Dolla Dolla Deals'	Heckler TV Director/DP Stefan Jose	Drone operator
2023 TVC / print campaign AUDI Global - SQ7	SONDA Productions Director: Christina Fleuch Photographer: Emir Haveric	Drone operator
2023 TVC Woolworths " My Way"	Mint Films Director: Andrew Seaton DOP: Matt Samperi	Drone operator
2022 TVC AUDI - "Future is an Attitude"	Clockwork Films Director: Lincoln Caplice DOP: Tyson Perkins	Drone operator
2022 TVC The Art of Winning -	Heckler TV Director: Will Alexander DP Tim Kindler	Drone operator
2022 Internal Content shoot Lend Lease - Quay Quarter launch film	Contently.TV Director: Stephen Hancock Drone pilot Ken Butti	Drone operator
2022 TVC LENDI 'Lazy' TVC	Infinity Squared Director: Daniel Reisinger DP Peter Eastgate	Drone operator
2021 TVC Kia Niro "Connect"	Elastic Studios Director: Simon Thomas DP Chris Benny	Drone/FPV operator
2021 - TVC Valvoline "You Know"	Resolution Design DIRECTOR Tim Dyroff DOP Boris Vymenets	Drone operator
2021 - Performance Space Live Action Relay - Sue Healey	Performance Space Director Sue Healey DP: Ken Butti / Drone pilot Ken Butti	Drone Operator / Gimbal Operator
2021 - 2XU 2XU - "sum of me" content series	Lightrise Studio Director Gavain Browne DP: Emilio Abbonizio	Drone operator
2021 Liveworks Festival On View: Panoramic	Performance Space Director: Sue Healey DP Ken Butti	Drone operator / gimbal operator
2021 TVC Smith Chips 'Bear' 30' Spot	BBDO x FINCH Director: Alex Roberts DOP: Matt Toll	Drone pilot
2021 TVC Suzuki Swift 30' 'Motorbike of cars'	SEDONA Dir: Matt Murphy Producer: Jackie Adler	Drone pilot
2020 TVC Redbull x Toby Price " Cracked"	Hype Republic Director: Allan Hardy DOP: Cam Batten	Drone operator / FPV operator
2020 Music Video G Flip - "Queen"	Director: Adam Kiers DOP: Boris Vymenets	Drone operator
AUDI E-Tron Content Pre record	Five Peas x team Event EP: Luke Shave DOP Jake Blackman	Drone / Tracking Vehicle Gimbal Op
2020 Vogue Fashion Night In	Five peas Director: Jakub Jacko DOP: Rob Morton	Drone operator
2020 TVC McDonalds Summer "come in to win"	Photoplay Director: John Laurie DOP: Garry Phillips	Drone operator
2020 TVC MILLO - Beast mode	Infinity Squared producer: Henry Richardson Director: Simon Morehead	FPV drone/gimbal
2020 Music Video Young Franco Fallin' Apart ft. Denzel Curry, Pell	ENTROPICO Director Joey Hunter DOP Tom Black	Drone operator
2020 Tourism Australia	M&C Saatchi x The Artist Group	

Tourism Australia "PhiAUsofpy" campaign	Photographer: Georges Antoni	Drone operator
2020 TVC Veuve Clicquot - 'Rose Together' campaign	MEDIAIDEM Photographer: Esteban La Tessa DOP: Ken Butti	DOP
2019 TVC WESTFIELD Spring 2019	Revolver x Sibling Directors: Anna Mannix and Leilani Croucher Photography: Ken Butti/Wendell Teodoro	Photography
2019 Dan Murphy's There's Always More To Discover' campaign TVC	Production: Resolution Designs Director: Tim Dyroff DP: Peter Eastgate	Drone operator
2019 TVC WOOLWORTHS ECOM "SUMMER DELIVERY"	FRESH PRODUCE FILM COMPANY Director: Paul Goldman DOP: Hugh Miller	Drone operator
2019 360 event display ExxonMobil Papua New Guinea	Production: MYRIAD Global Producer: Alex Kemp DP: Ken Butti	DP Drone pilot 360 drone pilot
2018 Short Film A Perfect Specimen	Production: Hixon Films Directors: Simon Lee and Alex Weinress DP: Judd Overton	Camera assistant
2018 TVC Shake It Up Australia Foundation	Production Fussy Films Director Ben Kumanovski DP Drew Bontoft	Camera assistant
2017 MITSUBISHI EOFY Outlander: "5 Star" TVC	Production Clockwork Films Director - Sebastian Guy DP Allen Koppe	Drone operator
2017 Travel Channel - Extreme Water Parks Season 7 TV - USA	Production: High Noon Entertainment DP. Chad Zellmer	1AC Drone pilot
2017 NSW Parks Murray River Trails Content	Production DPM DP Daniel Parsons	Drone pilot Gimbal operator
2016 - TED X Sydney TED X conference	Producer Scarlet Barnett Director Peter Kramer	Drone operator
2015 - Petbarn Better Humans TVC	Production Chimney Group Director: Alex Feggans DP Peter Eastgate	Gimbal operator
2015 Keeping Up With The Kardashians TV - US	Production: E Channel DP Andrea Cranche	1AC
2013 The Travel Channel Trip Flip TV - US	Production: High Noon Entertainment DP. John Mans	1AC

## EQUIPMENT

## Licenses

Drone: Freefly Alta 8 heavy lift octocopter  
Gimbal: Freefly Movi Pro  
Drone: DJI Inspire 3 + x9 8K camera  
Drone: DJI Insoire 2 + X7 6K camera  
Drone: DJI Mavic 3 cine drone  
Drone: FPV custom heavy lift FPV drone  
Drone: FPV custom micro FPV with Gopro gimbal  
Drone: FPV custom proximity FPV drone with Gopro

Cameras:  
RED Epic Dragon  
RED Komodo  
Sony FX6  
Nikon Z9

Drone Remote Pilots License - REPL  
Helicopter Private Pilots License - PPLH  
NSW drivers license  
NSW riders license  
AU boat and PWC license  
Working with Children White Card  
OH&S Green Card