

# KAREL KALIBAN

## Camera Assistant / Focus Puller

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**Languages:**  
czech native  
english, polish – professional working proficiency  
german, french – limited working proficiency



**PROFILE** Experienced in film from 1994, started as an electrician, later clapperloader (2nd AC), then cameramens assistant, camera operator

**WORK HISTORY** Movies

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| 2022 | <b>BUĎ CHLAP!</b> «Be Man!» (Czech Republic)<br>(Comedy - When boy turned to man at age around forty.. )<br>dir.Mike SAMIR, d.o.p. Milan CHADIMA   |
| 2022 | <b>WHEEL OF TIME</b> (USA)<br>(Fantasy - Rosamunde Pike as Moraine Damodred in American epic fantasy series released by Amazon Prime Video )<br>dir. Sanaa Hamri, d.o.p. Maja ZAMOJDA  |
| 2020 | <b>SCHWARZE INSEL</b> (Germany)<br>(drama/thriller - young student's relationship with his teacher turns into ill-fated disaster the movie was shot on island Amrum, in Nord Sea, Germany)<br>dir. / d.o.p. Miguel ALEXANDRE |
| 2019 | <b>SPY CITY</b> (Germany)<br>(An Original TV series consisting of six episodes, a Cold War spy thriller set in Berlin in 1961 in the summer months before the Berlin wall went up)<br>dir. / d.o.p. Miguel ALEXANDRE         |
| 2019 | <b>ATLANTIC CROSSING</b> (Norway)<br>(TV Serie based on the true story of Norwegian crown princess Martha during the II. WW)<br>dir. Alexander EIK/Janic HEEN, d.o.p. Carl SUNDBERG  |
| 2018 | <b>NA STŘEŠE</b> «On the Rooftop» (Czech Republic)<br>(Drama/Comedy - an old man meets a young refugee in troubles)<br>dir. Jiří MÁDL, d.o.p. Martin ŽIARAN  |
| 2017 | <b>SKJELVET</b> «The Quake» (Norway)<br>(drama/thriller - movie based on real quake in 1904 in Oslo)<br>dir. John A. ANDERSEN, d.o.p. John C. ROSENLUND  |
| 2016 | <b>HIMMEL UND HOLE</b> (Germany)<br>(drama/history - Martin Luther /1483-1546/ story)<br>dir. Uwe HANSEN, d.o.p. Michael WIESWEG   |
| 2016 | <b>ZAHRADNICTVÍ</b> «The Gardening» (Czech Republic)<br>(drama/comedy - one family in wind of time 1945 - 1955)<br>dir. Jan HŘEBEJK, d.o.p. Bartek CIERLICA  |

- 2015 **DIE DASSLERS** (Germany)  
(drama/history - Adolf and Rudolf Dassler story; adidas vs. puma)  
dir. Cyril BOSS & Philipp STENERT, d.o.p. Philip PESCHLOW
- 2014 **TANNBACH - Schicksal eines Dorfes** (Germany)  
(drama/history - village on border between western and eastern Germany 1944-1952)  
dir. Alexander DIERBACH, d.o.p. Clemens MESSOW
- 2013 **SOLDAT BLANC** «White Soldier» (France)  
(drama - war in French Indochine 1945-1953, the movie was shot in Cambodia) - International Emmy Award 2015  
dir. Eric ZONCA, d.o.p. Stéphane VALÉE
- 2013 **HANY** (Czech Republic)  
(experimental movie, full length movie edited from just three shots)  
dir. Michal SAMIR, d.o.p. Martin ŽIARAN
- 2013 **CESTA VEN** «The Way Out» (Czech Republic)  
(social drama - opened the film festival CANNES 2014) - seven Czech Lion awards, included price for cinematography  
dir. Petr VÁCLAV, d.o.p. Štěpán KUČERA
- 2012 **DONŠAJNI** «The Skirtchasers» (Czech Republic)  
(comedy)  
dir. Jiří MENZEL, d.o.p. Jaromír ŠOFR
- 2012 **MANIPULATIONS** (France)  
(political thriller)  
dir. Laurent HERBIET, d.o.p. Dominique BOUILLERET
- 2011 **DON'T STOP** (Czech Republic)  
(drama/music - young punkers in communist Czechoslovakia 1983)  
dir. Richard ŘEŘIČHA, d.o.p. Martin ŽIARAN
- 2010 **L'INFILTRÉ** «Snitch» (France)  
(drama/history - french secret service in war against terrorists / Abou Nidal, FATAH, 1980, the film was shot in Tunisia/Paris) - FIPA d'argent 2011  
dir. Giacomo BATTIATO, d.o.p. Igor LUTHER
- 2009 **KAWASAKIHO RŮŽE** «Kawasaki's Rose» (Czech Republic)  
(drama - a famed dissident is accused of collaborating with the Government)  
dir. Jan HŘEBEK, d.o.p. Martin ŠÁCHA
- 2009 **OBČANSKÝ PRŮKAZ** «I.D.» (Czech Republic)  
(sad comedy - growing up in communist regime wasn't so easy...)  
dir. Ondřej TROJAN, d.o.p. Martin ŠTRBA
- 2008 **3 SEZÓNY V PEKLE** «3 Seasons in Hell» (Czech Republic)  
(drama/history - Czechoslovakia 1947-49. Young poet in crazy times based on memoirs by Egon Bondy)  
- three Czech Lion awards, included price for cinematography  
dir. Tomáš MAŠÍN, d.o.p. Karl ÓSKARSSON
- 2008 **RESOLUTION 819** (France)  
(drama/history - investigation of massacre 8000 Bosnians in Srebrenica, 1993) - Audience Award ROME FILM FEST 2008, nominated for CRYSTAL GLOBE 2009  
dir. Giacomo BATTIATO, d.o.p. Igor LUTHER, music by Ennio MORRICONE
- 2007 **DĚTI NOCI** «NIGHT OWLS» (Czech Republic)  
(drama - young girl suburb story)  
dir. Michaela PAVLÁTOVÁ, d.o.p. Martin ŠTRBA
- 2007 **POKOJ V DUŠI** «PEACE IN SOUL» (Slovakia)  
(drama - prison is the stigma, not so easy be back home) - nominated for CRYSTAL GLOBE 2009  
dir. Vlado BALCO, d.o.p. Martin ŠTRBA
- 2007 **NA VLASTNÍ NEBEZPEČÍ** «ON OWN RISK» (Czech Republic)  
(drama/action - the owner of a travel agency for extreme sports receives a request, trip down the dangerous Black River..., the film was shot in Bosnia and Romania)  
dir. Filip RENČ, d.o.p. Petr HOJDA

- 2007 **O RODIČÍCH A DĚTECH «OF PARENTS AND CHILDREN»** (Czech Republic)  
(comedy/drama - 40-years old son on walk with his 70-years old father, brilliant dialogues about everything...)  
dir. Vladimír MICHÁLEK, d.o.p. Martin ŠTRBA
- 2006 **MUTLULUK «BLISS»** (Turkey)  
(drama - the story of a young girl who is raped and according to the customs in her village she must be killed in order to restore honor to her family) - audience award on MIAMI INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2008, rewarded by European Council with the Prix Odyssee Human Rights Award in 2007  
dir. Abdullah OGUZ, d.o.p. Mirsad HEROVIČ
- 2006 **OBLSUHOVAL JSEM ANGLICKÉHO KRÁLE «I SERVED THE KING OF ENGLAND»** (Czech Republic)  
(drama - based on the novel I Served the King of England by Bohumil Hrabal) - Peter Rainer of The Christian Science Monitor named it the 6th best film of 2008, Gopo Award for Best European Film in 2009  
dir. Jiří MENZEL, d.o.p. Jaromír ŠOFR
- 2005 **ÚČASTNÍCI ZÁJEZDU «HOLIDAYS MAKERS»** (Czech Republic)  
(comedy)  
dir. Jiří VEJDĚLEK, d.o.p. Jakub ŠIMŮNEK
- 2005 **LAST HOLIDAY** (USA)  
(comedy/drama/romance - Queen Latifah, LL Cool J, Gérard Depardieu in romantic comedy)  
dir. Wayne WANG, d.o.p. Geoffrey SIMPSON
- 2004 **SLUNEČNÍ STÁT «THE CITY OF THE SUN»** (Czech Republic)  
(drama/comedy - sometimes isn't easy to live an ordinary life...)  
dir. Martin ŠULÍK, d.o.p. Martin ŠTRBA
- 2004 **EVERYTHING IS ILLUMINATED** (USA)  
(drama - tale of a young man's quest to find the woman who saved his grandfather in a small Ukrainian town that was wiped off the map by the Nazi invasion)  
dir. Liev SCHREIBER, d.o.p. Mathew LIBATIQUE
- 2004 **ŽRALOK V HLAVĚ «SHARK IN THE HEAD»** (Czech Republic)  
(drama/comedy - a funny guy, a little crazy in the head, lives alone in the city spending all his days looking out the window and talking to people...)  
dir. Maria PROCHÁZKOVÁ, d.o.p. Martin ŠTĚPÁNEK
- 2004 **SHUT UP AND SHOOT ME!** (UK)  
(comedy - black british comedy) - best film award of Festival of Irish & British film 2006, Dallas International Film Festival 2007 and audience award of Welsh International Film Festival 2006  
dir. Stenn AGRO, d.o.p. Howard J. SMITH
- 2004 **MISTŘI «CHAMPIONS»** (Czech Republic)  
(bitter comedy from Czech village near the borders) - FIPRESCI Prize 2004 Athens Panorama of European Cinema  
dir. Marek NAJBRT, d.o.p. Miloslav HOLMAN
- 2003 **THE PRINCE AND ME** (USA) (romantic comedy)  
dir. Martha COOLIDGE, d.o.p. Alex NEPOMNIASCHY
- 2003 **SEVEN PLAYING CARDS** (EGYPT)  
(comedy/musical/romance - the movie was shot in Egypt)  
dir. Sherif SABRI, d.o.p. Jakub DVORSKÝ
- 2003 **PF '77** (Czech Republic)  
(psychological drama - to living truth in communist regime needs to be an hero)  
dir. Jaroslav BRABEC, d.o.p. Tomáš SYSEL
- 2002-2003 **ŽELARY** (Czech Republic)  
(drama/romance - a nurse and her surgeon-lover are part of a resistance movement in 1940s Czechoslovakia. When they are discovered, her lover flees and she must find a place to hide...)  
Academy Award nomination in the Best Foreign Language Film category  
dir. Ondřej TROJAN, d.o.p. Asen ŠOPOV
- 2002 **XXX** (USA)  
(thriller/action - predictable action movie with lots of explosions, violence)  
dir. Rob COHEN, d.o.p. Alexander WITT (*as 2nd unit focus puller*)

2001 **TMAVOMODRÝ SVĚT «DARK BLUE WORLD»** (Czech Republic)  
 (drama/action/romance - an intimate drama about friendship, heroism and the loves of fighter-pilots serving in the Royal Air Force during the Second World War)  
 - seven Czech Lion awards, included the price for cinematography  
 dir. Jan SVĚRÁK, d.o.p. Vladimír SMUTNÝ (*as 2nd. unit focus puller*)

**WORK HISTORY**

**Selected commercials**

	<b>product</b>	<b>director</b>	<b>d.o.p.</b>	<b>agency</b>
2023	KOOPERATIVA Pilsner Urquell State Street	Calle ÅSGARD WOLFBERG Bjorn RUHMANN	Martin ŽIARAN Jan VELICKÝ Joe DOUGLAS	WEAREGINGER VCCP SMUGGLER
2022	UniCredit Bank	John DOE	Jakub DVORSKÝ	VCCP
2021	Pilsner Urquell ZALANDO KOOPERATIVA	WOLFBERG Luboš VACKE Tobias PERSE	Tomáš KOTAS Milan CHADIMA Martin MATIÁŠEK	VMLY&R Creative Embassy WEAREGINGER
2020	RUBICON	Lorena MEDINA	Mark DÖLLING	RSA films
2019	BUDVAR KOOPERATIVA	Robert HLOZ Tobias PERSE	Adam SCARTH Casey CAMPBELL	KASPEN/JUNG VON MATT WEAREGINGER
2018	DISNEYLAND PARIS EUROPEAN WAX CENTER BOSCH ERSTE SHOWROOM PRIVE TRIDENT	David LODGE Eugenio RECUENCO Dirk SOLDNER Nathan PRICE Ivana BOBIC Michael CLOWATER	Jallo FABER Jack SCOT Pit HOLLEBER Ginny LOANE Tim SIDELL Tim MAURICE JONES	BETC LONDON ALLEY AG. C3 JUNG v. MATT JESUS&GABRIEL OGILVY
2017	iPHONE X LENOVO-YOGA ST. MICHEL AMAZEBALLS	Sam BROWN Benjamin CALLNER David LODGE Andree WALLIN	Franz LUSTIG Stuart GRAHAM Carl NILSSON Jo EKEN TORP	IMPERIAL WOODPECKER OGILVY PARIS PREMIERE HEURE/CAN BLACK
2016	IKEA EUROSTAR AQUABABES	Michael CLOWATER Romain CHASSAING Yariv GABER	Tim MAURICE JONES Mahdi LEPART Avi KARPICK	LEO BURNETT AKQA ARNOLD MILANO
2015	KINDER JOY ČD VISA CARD PANTENE NARTA	Nicolas FAY Tomáš MAŠÍN Armando BO Claudio DROGUETT Jonathan GURVIT	Christophe GUYON Juraj CHLPÍK Javier JULIA Philippe PIFFETAU John PEREZ	OMD RAIL REKLAM ALMAP BBDO GREY LES GALUOIS
2014	ONE CALL	Aksel HENNIE	J. A. ANDERSON	LOS&CO
2013	DEBENHAMS ROGAINE	Stuart DOUGLAS Sara MARANDI	Alex REID Karl ÓSKARSSON	JWT LONDON BBDO
2012	CADBURY ERSTE BANK OLAY	Claudio DROGUETT One In Three Claudio DROGUETT	Riego VAN WERSCH Federico ALFONSO Riego VAN WERSCH	SAATCHI&SAATCHI Y&R SAATCHI&SAATCHI

	product	director	d.o.p.	agency
2011	PANTENE Olympic	Tryan GEORGE	Karl ÓSKARSSON	GREY
	PANTENE Iris	Tryan GEORGE	Karl ÓSKARSSON	GREY
	PANTENE ONT	Tryan GEORGE	Joseph YACOE	GREY
	PANTENE Iris	Pierluca DI CARLO	Thierry POUGET	GREY
	PHILIPS	Toby MACDONALD	Karl ÓSKARSSON	PARTIZAN
	VIVELLE	Tom KAN	Riego VAN WERSCH	PUBLICIS CONSEIL
	ORANGE FR.	A. BARDOU-JACQUET	Glynn SPEECKAERT	PUBLICIS CONSEIL
	TRESEMME	Bram VAN RIET	Karl ÓSKARSSON	CAVIAR
	EVIAN	Bram VAN RIET	Karl ÓSKARSSON	CAVIAR
2010	PANTENE Sunflower	Tryan GEORGE	Karl ÓSKARSSON	GREY
	KOFOLA	Martin KREJČÍ	Štěpán KUČERA	KASPEN/JUNgvonMATT
	PANASONIC 3D	Matt WILSON	Klaus FUXJAGER	ID BRANDS
	02	TWIN	Mark BLISS	VCCP
	PANTENE	Tryan GEORGE	Joseph YACOE	GREY
	METAXA	BOSSI & SIRONI	Gergely POHARNOK	REMY COINTREAU
	ERA	Tomáš MAŠÍN	Juraj CHLPÍK	RUST
	ŠKODA AUTO	Tomáš MAŠÍN	Juraj CHLPÍK	LEAGAS DELANEY
	SAMSUNG	HE GUARD BROSS	Sebastian MILASZEWSKI	SMUGGLER
	ROC LOOK	MARANDI/HEATH	Karl ÓSKARSSON	COMPANY
ČEZ	Tomáš MAŠÍN	Juraj CHLPÍK	MATHER	
2009	ŠKODA AUTO	Tomáš MAŠÍN	Juraj CHLPÍK	LEAGAS DELANEY
	L'OREAL	MARANDI/HEATH	Karl ÓSKARSSON	BANDITS
	PILSNER URQUELL	Vladimír MICHÁLEK	Martin ŠTRBA	LEO BURNETT
	TRESEMME	MARANDI/HEATH	Karl ÓSKARSSON	COMPANY
	AUKRO	Mike LONG	Peter SUSCHITZKY	KASPEN
	VIAKAL P&G	Francesco NENCINI	Federico MASSIERO	LEO BURNETT
	FERRERO	Eugenio RECUENCO	Riego VAN WERSCH	PHD
	TANQUERAY	Matthew CULLEN	Paul CAMERON	WEIDEN+KENNEDY
	Jesus DE FRANCISCO			
2008	PEUGEOT	Richard AYOADE	Olivier COCAUL	EURO RSCG
	BOOTS SUMMER	Mattias MONTERO	Mattias MONTERO	TBWA
	PANZANI	Vladimír MICHÁLEK	Martin ŠTRBA	EURO RSCG
2007	SALON SELECTIVES	THE CRONENWETHS	THE CRONENWETHS	BBH LONDON
	MARS BAR	Lenny DORFMAN	Jan VELICKÝ	AMV/BBDO
	GRAN CENTENARIO	Mathias ZENTHNER	Torsten LIPPSTOCK	DDB MEXICO
	APOLINARIS	Mark GILBERT	Ticco PULAKAKIS	M&C SAATCHI
	STELLA ARTOIS	Martin KREJČÍ	Štěpán KUČERA	LOWE LONDON
118 118	Owen HARRIS	Ray COATES	WCBS	
2006	LANCOME	Wong KAR WAI	Philippe LESOURD	AIR PARIS
	SAAB	Magnus ROSSMAN	Mattias MONTERO	TBWA LONDON
	CLUB INTERNET	THE PERLORIAN BROSS	Philippe LESOURD	DDB PARIS
	MEIJI CHOCOLIFE	Kazuoyshi HAYAKAWA	Hajime TANAKA	MEIJI HOLDINGS
	DR. OETKER	Jackie OUDNEY	Sven SIEGRIST	MARK/BBDO
	AQUADROPS	Tim KIRKBY	John WALKER	TBWA LONDON
	KINDER	Gaelle DENIS	Peter SUSCHITZKY	PASSION PICT
2005	LABBAT	David HICKS	David LUTHER	PROMO
	R. JELINEK	Vladimír MICHÁLEK	Martin ŠTRBA	LOWE BRIND FOR BIKINI
	ELECTROLUX	Henrik HALLGREN	John MATHIESON	RUST2
	CEREAL PARTNERS	Katje BELL	Jake POLONSKY	
	RADEGAST	Vladimír MICHÁLEK	Martin ŠTRBA	MCCANN
	DEBENHAMS	Stuart RIDEOUT	Colin WATKINSON	JWT LONDON
	FRANZISKNER BIER	Laszlo KADAR	Laszlo KADAR	SMUGGLER
	NESTLE	Johan SKOG	Jo EKEN TORP	ICA
	ANADIN	Guy SHELMERDINE	Martin RUHE	
	CUISINE SCHMIDT	Eric ZONKA	Mathier VADEPIE	PREMIER HEURE
	LOREAL party proof	Evan BERNARD	Pascal LEBEGUE	

LOREAL volume shock  
VIZE97

Tom CAMERON  
Jan HŘEBEJK

Laurent DAILLAND  
Jan MALÍŘ

	<b>product</b>	<b>director</b>	<b>d.o.p.</b>	<b>agency</b>
2004	EKO-KOM GATORADE BIRD EYE BT PHONE BOOK RED CROSS-Who cares? EMPIRE BEER (Bertha) BUDWEISER TELIASONERA CIF	Vladimír MICHÁLEK Tim&Jeff CRONENWETH Owen HARRIS Scott VINCENT Werner DAMEN Derek RICHARDS Owen HARRIS Johan SKOG Sadry ADHAMY	Martin ŠTRBA  Rob HARDY Gilles NUTTGENS Niels BOON Graeme WOOD Nick SADLER Jo EKEN TORP Damien MORISOT	LOWE NY AMW BBDO FALLON LONDON PUBLICIS Amstelveen HOUSE B  LOWE PEOPLE PREMIERE HEURE
2003	COMET XMAS FONZIES MAGGI BLACK AND DECKER AQUILA MISS RC COLA	Chris WATSON Paolo MONICO Marcell GARDELLI Simon GREEN Jean CLAUDE-THIBAUT Tomáš MAŠÍN	Shane DAILY Eugenio GALLI Torsten LIPPSTOCK Sebastian MILASZEWSKI  Martin RUHE	VERMILION EURO RSCG MCCANN DMD MARK/BBDO KASPEN
2002	T-MOBILE ROGAN BEER NISSAN 350 Z HANUTA MÁJKA JVC	Tomáš MAŠÍN Alexandr LAUF John BRUNO Tobias ERNZOG Jan HŘEBEJK Milan ŠTEINDLER	Riego VAN WERSCH Sebastian MILASZEWSKI Stefan VON BORBÉLY Dieter THOMAS Jan MALÍŘ Tomáš SYSEL	SAATCHI&SAATCHI  THE DESIGNORY  WMC
2001	DELI	Saša GEDEON	Petr HOJDA	LOWE G GK

*In August 2014 manually completed the bed „Fjell“ by IKEA. This bed is still in use.*