

DALLAS CAMPBELL

TV science presenter, speaker, writer & broadcaster.

Dallas has a lifelong passion for understanding how the world works and for exploring our relationship with science, technology and engineering – past, present and future. Through his eyes, science isn't a subject. It's an adventure.

A highly experienced and natural speaker, his work includes **Tim Peake's Return to Earth Live** at the Royal Albert Hall, **BBC Bang Goes the Theory National Tour**, **Royal Institution Christmas Lectures & Spacesuit Live**, **Doctor Who 50th Anniversary** at London's Excel Arena, **Fame Lab International** and **Cheltenham Science Festival**. Dallas was chosen to host the sell-out event at the Barbican, London, interviewing Major Tim Peake live onstage. His book *Ad Astra: An Illustrated Guide to Leaving the Planet* was published in 2017.

Dallas is an actor and writer whose curiosity and original mind have led him into a parallel career as one of television's freshest and funniest talents and broadcasters. His passion for popularising science and for investigating the weirder areas of life, the universe and everything, took him from a background in theatre and film work into researching, writing and presenting authored documentaries for television.

You'll know Dallas from his many TV appearances which include:

BBC2's *Stargazing Live* with Dara O'Briain and Professor Brian Cox for Tim Peake's live launch to the International Space Station (December 2015)

BBC1's *Bang Goes The Theory* - the prime time science magazine show

BBC4's *Horizon Guide*, in which he investigates big science subjects such as quantum mechanics.

Five's *The Gadget Show* team where his exploits included testing out a jet-powered luge, the latest survival gadgets and breaking the Scalextric land speed record.

Fearless, engaging and inspiring, his speeches are about a wide range of topics including science, rockets and Space. As an extra-special addition for Space-themed events, Dallas can bring a replica space suit – a copy of the one for the character of Neil Armstrong in the film *One Man* (subject to availability – it may be on loan to museums.)

Dallas believes in encouraging more women and girls into science as a career and has worked with Science Girl (www.sciencegirl.co.uk) for many years. But he doesn't just talk about it. He's one of the leading men in Women In Tech. Sometimes, he is the "token" only male in all-female science and technology events.

He's a regular contributor to the BBC's Science magazine *Focus*, The Times' *Eureka* magazine and has written for The Observer and a guest on BBC Radio 4's comedy science show *The Infinite Monkey Cage*, *Loose Ends* with Clive Anderson and Shaun Keavney's *Breakfast Show* (BBC6 Music). He regularly appears on *The One Show*, *BBC Breakfast* & *The Wright Stuff*. His own series include *The Treasure Hunters* and *City In the Sky* (BBC2).

Dallas is an Honorary Fellow of the British Science Association in recognition for his work in engaging people with science & technology. He is a judge on their annual *Young Scientist & Engineer of the Year* awards.

In 2007 he went to Los Angeles to work with RJ Cutler's company, ARP, on his own humorous investigative series, *Dallas in Wonderland* for The Discovery Channel. The ultimate layman's guide to achieving the impossible, it sees Dallas having a go at things that laymen aren't supposed to be able to do: going into space, breaking the men's 100m record, or journeying to the centre of the Earth.

Dallas studied English and Drama before becoming an actor. In his varied career on stage, film and TV, his roles have included *Atilla*, *Moll Flanders*, *Doomwatch* and *Family Affairs*. Theatre brought him together with legendary comic maverick Ken Campbell on some hair-brained projects, most notably *The Warp* – the 29 hour 'Fortean' epic which made it into the Guinness Book of Records as the world longest (and possibly oddest) play. He works regularly with acclaimed filmmaker Emily James on diverse projects such as Channel 4's puppet-driven consumer show *Don't Worry*, and the multi award winning musical documentary *A Brief History of Cuba in D Minor*.

Dallas co-wrote and directed the award-winning short comedy film *No Deposit No Return*, about a raid at a sperm bank: it premiered at the Edinburgh Film Festival as part of the UK Film Council's best short film selection.

Dallas spent several years living in Los Angeles but is now based in London.
He collects bits of space suits. And he owns the replica suit we mentioned earlier.

What people say about Dallas as a speaker, MC and presenter:

"Dallas is brilliant. Every year. We have booked him again to host Space-Comm next year too!"
Space-Comm. Farnborough, UK (2019, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025)

"Dallas Campbell's assembly on science and space was nothing short of amazing! He brought an incredible energy and knowledge to the presentation, making the topics both educational and entertaining. The children were truly engaged and inspired by his storytelling and rocket demonstrations. Dallas makes complex ideas seem simple and his passion for the subject is contagious. It was a fantastic experience for our students and we hope to have him back soon, for more enlightening sessions. Thank you, Dallas, for an out-of-this-world day".
Iqra Primary Academy, Bradford, UK. October 2023

*"Dallas: you were great. **Superb. Exactly what we wanted and there is talk about you and your spacesuit all over the workplace today with our clients and customers.***
Thanks to Diana for inviting you and suggesting you – her recommendation was spot-on".
Fullers Brewery (opening of The Astronomer pub in the City of London)

"Dallas was brilliant – entertaining, engaging and a very charismatic speaker and MC".
Scientific Laboratory Supplies. Nottingham, UK (Keynote speech and MC/hosting the Conference)

"Feedback has been excellent. Dallas really fitted the bill. Major thanks to Diana at DBA for recommending Dallas!"
Institution of Diesel & Gas Turbine Engineers

"Vibrant, fun and accommodating, Dallas was a complete joy to work with and his presentation set the tone for a great careers event to inspire all our students. Diana's kindness sets her apart, and her experience and organisational ability were invaluable: we hope to be working with you again."
St Helen & St Katherine School, England

"THANK YOU so much Diana for recommending and arranging for Dallas to speak at our Festival. Please thank him for all the extra time and care he gave to the event, staying to meet so many guestsand bringing his spacesuit... which was such a hit!
We wanted to show how creative and fun it is working in Science, and that so many doors are open to everyone to explore further and make a difference. Dallas embodied this by delivering such a wonderful talk. We are so happy that so many children and youngsters attended day and asked such informed and interesting questions. Thanks again"
Leeds Festival

"So much amazing feedback after our Festival this year! Dallas was a definite highlight!"
Leeds Festival Events Team

"We've had so many positive comments about Dallas – there is such a buzz around the College! He gave a fantastic speech with a great mix of facts and fun. Very engaging for an audience of mixed ages and wide interests. Thanks to Diana at DBA for recommending him – Dallas was superb!"
Cirencester College.

See www.dallascampbell.co.uk for information, clips and details

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