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AD POSTSCRIPTUM

The 'audio' in audio description



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Media Accessibility

Subtitling / SDH

Sign language (with native speakers)

Dubbing

Software development

Audio description



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Pre-recorded audio description

Feature films

Documentaries

TV series

Online videos

Theatre / Musicals

Musea / Installations

Video Games / 360 / VR



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One stop shop

Industry ↔ **soundfocus** ↔ **End User**



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RECORDING AD and AST



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AD VOICE

Speech synthesis

Audio describer

Voice actor



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SPEECH SYNTHESIS

NETFLIX



NETFLIX ORIGINAL
FASTEST CAR

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SONY



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AD RECORDING

Natural voice



(broadcasters, mayor film studios)

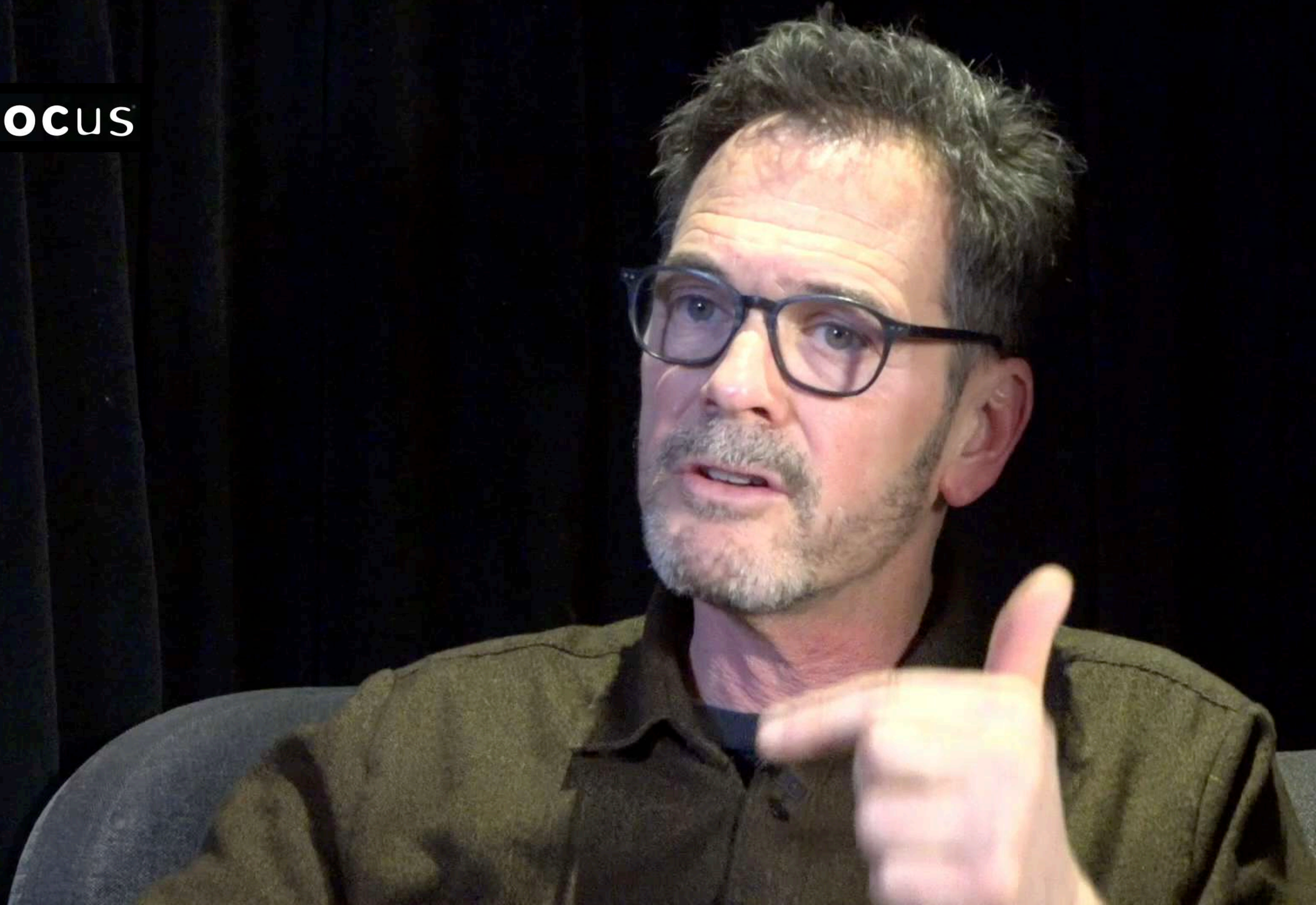
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AD RECORDING

Tone of voice: in between 'reading' and 'acting'



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AD RECORDING

Voice casting for each film



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AST RECORDING

Voicing



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00:36:40:03

Audiodescriptive TC Copy



43 01:36:33:20
ve added it all up.

0044 01:36:36:01
What you eat, drink and wear. Every
piano lesson.

0045 01:36:40:01
Here...

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for steering the meetings of the ministers
of all EU member states.

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SOUND EDITING



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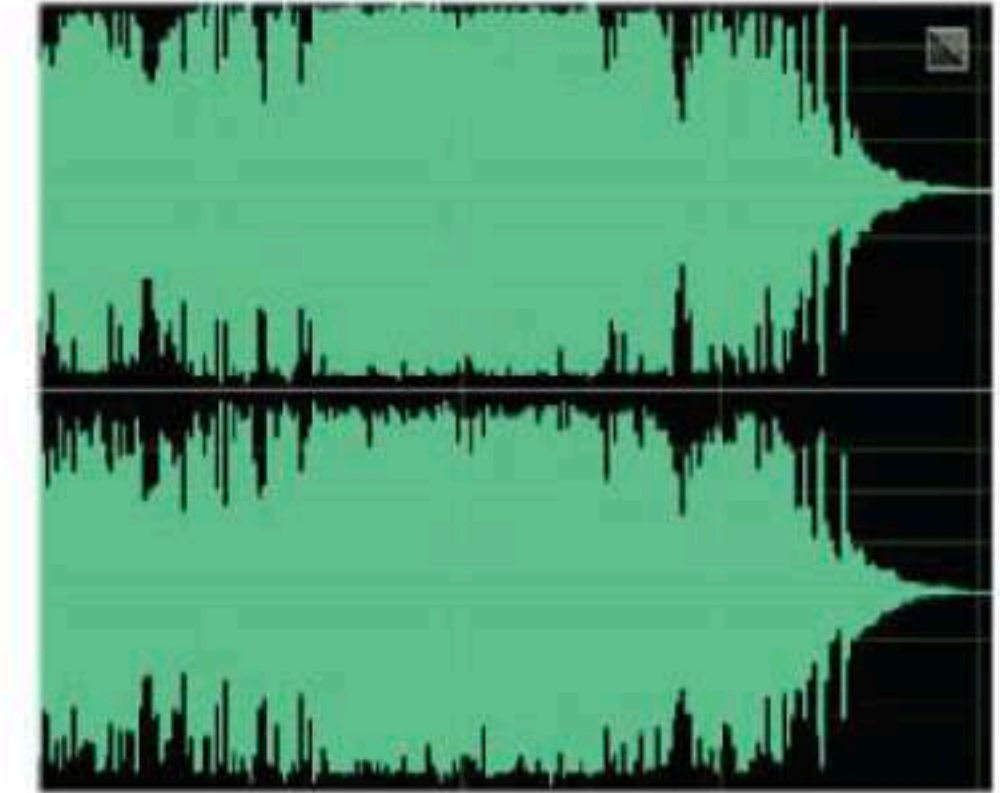
EQUALIZING, COMPRESSION, LIMITING



An uncompressed source file



The same file heavily compressed



The same file normalized

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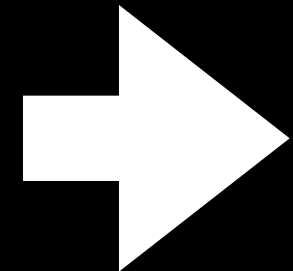
EQUALIZING, COMPRESSION, LIMITING



Raw material

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EQUALIZING, COMPRESSION, LIMITING



- Remove non-usable parts
- Sliced in parts
- Pressed together
- More intense experience



Raw material

Compressed material

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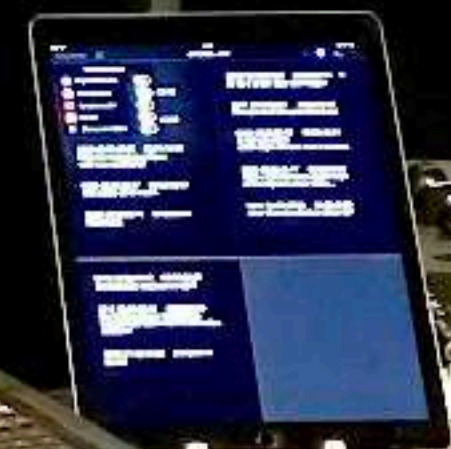


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SOUND MIXING



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SOUND MIXING

Open AD

Closed AD

Automated / Adaptive AD



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SOUND MIXING

Audio description as an extra sound layer



EXCELLENT SOUND MAKES

GOOD FILMS GREAT

and

GREAT FILMS WORKS OF

ART



SOUND MIXING

AD is placed in center channel

Same level as dialogue

Follow the dynamics of the soundtrack (open and closed AD)



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AD DELIVERY



AD DELIVERY (pre-recorded)

OPEN AD

- Home Entertainment (bd, dvd)
- Broadcasters
- VOD: Netflix, iTunes, Amazon
- YouTube
- Social Media

CLOSED AD

- Cinema
- Broadcasters
- Websites
- Theatre
- Installations
- Multi purpose -> apps
- Adaptive mix -> object based AD



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AD DELIVERY (pre-recorded)



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AD DELIVERY (pre-recorded)



EARCATCH

GOOD PRACTICE FROM THE NETHERLANDS



EARCATCH



WHY USERS LOVE IT

- ★ Works in every cinema or living room
- ★ Fast and accurate synchronization
- ★ Fully accessible for blind or partially sighted users
- ★ Works for all types of screening (automatically!)
- ★ App and content are free to use
- ★ Earcatch helpdesk and accessible film agenda



CREATING AWARENESS

**Director and/or producer is involved with
AD production process**

Showing the client end results!



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CREATING AWARENESS

The general public



