

INTERVIEW WITH BELLE WILLIAMS ABOUT HER WORK ON SKYFALL (July 2013)

Interview by Anders Frejdh, Founder and Editorial Head of From Sweden with Love

[FSWL:] What is the story being you entering the stunt business?

[Belle Williams:] After years of modeling and doubling whilst having quite an active personal life wanting to do something more I decided to combine the two and transfer my skills into the film industry.

How did you end up getting the job for Skyfall?

I had doubled **Naomie Harris** previously (in the television series *Accused*) so I received an email from the production and 3 auditions later, I got the job.

Do you know any actors from previous Bond films and if so, did you discuss working on a Bond with them?

Naomie, I knew she had the role but nothing was discussed privately. Then I met her at the audition process with **Sam Mendes** and we giggled that we would be working together again.

Have you read any of Ian Fleming's original James Bond novels?

No, I'm afraid not.

Describe the experience of joining the 'Eon family' and now being part of the James Bond legacy.

An absolute pleasure and life changing experience, such professionals and inspirations.

Which scenes exactly were you involved in for Skyfall?

The opening - driving sequence

Was it fun getting behind the wheel of Eve's Landrover?

Extremely fun but safe fun!

What are your favourite bits in Skyfall?

The locations, the crew, and my job!

Describe working with Gary Powell.

A dream mentor and teacher, he is extremely passionate and meticulous in his work. Working with **Gary Powell** is like being part of a family, guiding you and pushing you to your full potential.

Describe working with Naomie Harris.

I learnt so much from her great work ethic. She was easy going and a joy to work with.

Describe working with Daniel Craig.

He is a pleasure to work with, friendly and funny!

Describe working with Ola Rapace.

Ola is a very hardworking actor with impressive riding and fighting skills.

Describe working with Roger Deakins.

One of a kind!

Describe working for Michael G. Wilson and Barbara Broccoli, what did they individually bring as producers?

They are an incredible team with a great vision for film and the art of film.

Have you seen the documentary, "Everything or Nothing"?

No, unfortunately I haven't.

What are your favourite bits in the Bond movies overall?

Sean Connery is my first and favourite memory of Bond. The car chases, explosions and the women!

What memories do you have of Bond growing up?

A swerve sophisticated agent that has huge charisma and never dies!

Where do you think Bond will be in 50 years?

100 years still making movies!

What are you up to over the next coming months, any new film projects?

At the moment I am developing my stunts skills and furthering my training. I have high ambitions for the coming year. I am working on a film at the moment observing the stunts and networking (sadly no major part), some contracts you loose ... Cannot yet mention the title but it includes **Zoe Saldana** whom I admire and hope to double one day.

What are your thought about the "From Sweden with Love" website?

I think the From Sweden with Love website is the most up to date informative Bond archive available to dedicated fans on the web! I can see you are well researched and accurate in your findings, hardworking and passionate about 007 the films. I am pleased to be part of that.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND ANSWERS, BELLE!

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