



BENEDICT CUMBERBATCH

Academy Nominee Benedict Cumberbatch is best known for playing the title role of "Sherlock Holmes" in Steven Moffatt And Mark Gattiss' stunning adaption of the Conan Doyle books. It is a role that has earned him international acclaim and several awards including an Emmy as best actor in 2014.

More recently Benedict has played the title role of Stephen Strange in Marvel's 'Dr Strange'. In 2018 he will be seen reprising this role in 'Avengers: Infinity War'. He has completed filming the role of Thomas Edison in 'The Current War' and is currently filming the lead in limited miniseries 'Patrick Melrose' for Sky and Showtime.

In 2015 Benedict portrayed Alan Turing in the multi award winning film 'The Imitation Game'. It was a role that earned him overwhelming critical acclaim and a BAFTA, Golden Globe and Academy nomination as Best Actor.

Notable big screen performances include the role of the dragon Smaug in Peter Jackson's 'The Hobbit'. Khan in JJ Abrams' blockbuster 'Star Trek: Into Darkness'. Julian Assange in 'The Fifth Estate', Little' Charles Aiken in 'August: Osage County', Ford in Steve McQueen's Oscar winning "12 Years A Slave" and Billy Bulger alongside Johnny Depp in 'Black Mass'. Other film work includes Major Stewart in Steven Spielberg's film adaptation of 'Warhorse' and Peter Guillam along side Gary Oldman, Tom Hardy and Colin Firth in Tomas Alfredson's 'Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy', 'Starter for Ten', 'Amazing Grace', 'Stuart: A Life Backward', 'The Other Boleyn Girl' and the role of the dastardly Herbut Marshall In Joe Wright's Oscar-nominated 'Atonement' Due for release 'Jungle Book' and 'How the Grinch Stole Christmas'.

Cumberbatch studied Drama at Manchester University before training at The London Academy of Dramatic Art (LAMDA). Early TV roles included 'To The Ends Of The Earth' 'The Last Enemy' and his incredibly powerful portrayal of Stephen Hawking, in the BBC's highly acclaimed drama 'Hawking' which earned him his first BAFTA nomination. A second BAFTA nomination came in 2010 for his portrayal of Bernard in the BBC adaptation of 'Small Island'. Benedict's portrayal of Christopher Stejens in the BBC/HBO drama "Parades End" earned him an Emmy nomination. In 2016 his portrayal of Richard 111 in the BBC's 'Hollow Crown' series cemented his place as one of the finest actors of his generation earning him another BAFTA nomination. A fourth series of 'Sherlock' aired in January 2017 to record-breaking International audiences.



In 2015, his Hamlet at London's Barbican Theatre broke box office records. His other stage work includes two seasons in Regents Park with The New Shakespeare Co, Linsrand in Trevor Nunn's production of 'Lady From The Sea'; George in Tennessee Williams' 'Period of Adjustment'; Teesman in Richard Eyre's stunning West End ensemble production of 'Hedda Gabbler', for which he received Olivier and Ian Charleston Award nominations; Berenger in Ionesco's 'Rhinocerus'; plus 'The Arsonists' and 'The City' at the Royal Court and David Scott Fowler in Thea Sharrock's National Theatre award-winning Rattigan revival 'After The Dance'.

In 2011 Benedict returned to The National Theatre, alternating the roles of creature and Dr. Frankenstein in Danny Boyle's production of 'Frankenstein' earning him a Laurence Olivier Award and an Evening Standard Award for Best Actor. In 2015 his Hamlet at London's Barbican Theatre broke box office records.