

SIMONA SUSNEA - DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY

CINEMATOGRAPHY AWARD - UNDERWIRE FILM FESTIVAL 2019

*BRITISH SOCIETY OF CINEMATOGRAPHERS -
EMERGING CINEMATOGRAPHER NOMINATION 2019*

*CINEMATOGRAPHY NOMINATION - UNDERWIRE FILM FESTIVAL and
HOLLYSHORTS FILM FESTIVAL 2018*

TURNER PRIZE NOMINATION - 2018

CINEMATOGRAPHY NOM. WORLD CINEMA INT. FILM FEST. 2017

KODAK FILM SCHOOL NATIONAL WINNER 16 MM 2010

KODAK AWARD FOR A 16 MM SHORT FILM 201

FEATURE LENGTH CREDITS

AUDREY - DOCUMENTARY - 100'

Director Helena Coan

PRODUCTION CO / PRODUCER

Produced by Salon Pictures, UK
Annabel Wigoder, Nick Taussig

DISTRIBUTION / COMMISSION / CAST

Universal Pictures
Good Deeds, XYZ

BELIEF, EP. 2 - THIS IS FOOTBALL DOCUMENTARY TV SERIES, 60'

Director Sarah Hamilton, David Belton

Produced by October Films, UK
Sarah Hamilton

AMAZON

JELLYFISH ADD'L PHOTOGRAPHY, 101'

Director James Gardner

Produced by Nikolas Holttum
James Gardner

Bank Side Films
UK cinema release

Tribeca Film Festival 2018 - World Premiere

Edinburgh Film Festival 2018 - International Premiere

SHORT FICTION (selected credits)

NOWHERE

Director Christopher Manning

Produced by Finite Productions UK,
Majdal Films, Palestine
Gary Paton

The British Film Institute
The British Council

BFI Flare 2020; More Films for Freedom release on BFI Player - June 2020

ISABEL

Director Matthew Murdoch

Produced by West One Entertainment
Jed Tune, Glen Kirby

Cast: Claire Skinner, Iain Glen

ISHA

Director Christopher Manning

Produced by 198 Film and Christopher
Manning

Cast: Maia Morgenstern, Horia
Savescu, Dario Coates, Lino Facioli

British Society of Cinematographers - Emerging Cinematographer Award Nomination 2019

**Audience Award and *100 AUTORI JURY Special Mention Award, SICILIA QUEER Film Festival, June 2019*

BFI London Film Festival, October 2018. World Premiere

Nominated Best British Short - LONDON SHORT FILM FESTIVAL, January 2019

Nominated Best International Short - OUTFEST, Los Angeles LGBTQ Film Festival, 2019
Nominated Best UK Student Short - ENCOUNTERS Short Film Festival, 2019
FRAMELINE, San Francisco Int. LGBT Film Festival, North American Premiere, June 2019
BFI Flare London LGBTQ+ Film Festival, March 2019

LATE (16 mm)

Director Robyn Fox

Produced by Twicecut Films,
Robyn Fox, Alexander Preston

Cast: Nathalie Emmanuel, Julia
Cranney, Enyi Okoronkwo

Cinematography Nomination - Oscar Qualifying HollyShorts Film Festival 2018
Cinematography Nomination - BAFTA Qualifying Underwire Film Festival 2018

RUN

Director Alex Lanipekun

Produced by Manifest Productions,
Emmanuel & Co

Cast:
Aneurin Barnard, Nathalie Emmanuel,
Nicholas Pinnock, Wunmi Mosaku
Jonathan Price, Alex Lanipekun

World Premiere - Oscar Qualifying HollyShorts Film Festival 2018 - Opening night
Triforce Film Festival, BAFTA 2018

ONE IN A MILLION

Director Patrick Ireland

Produced by Shoutout UK

The London Film School

World Cinema International Film Festival 2017 - Nominated for Best Directing, Best Cinematography
**New Renaissance Film Festival 2017 - Social Realism Film Award*

FISHWITCH (stop motion animation)

Director Andrienne Downling

Produced by Helene Sifre
National Film and Television School

Voice: Natalia Tena

Annie Awards 2017- Nominated for Best Short Film - Highest honor for excellence in animation
Nomination - The McLaren Award for New British Animation - World Premiere Edinburgh International Film Festival 2016

**AUDIENCE AWARD for Best Animation at DC Independent Film Festival, USA, 2017*
ODEON Big Shorts 2017 - Distributed in 17 cinemas across UK by Odeon Cinemas

*Clermont-Ferrand Film Festival, Galway Film Festival, Aesthetica Film Festival, Anima Mundi Film Festival, Poitiers Film Festival,
Manchester Animation Film Festival, Cork Film Festival, Animalada Film Festival, FIA Sweden Film, Munich Film School Festival;
Online premiere by Shorts of the Week 2018*

ELEANOR

Director Sophie Russel

Produced by Laura Jackson

National Film and Television School

Ferrara Film Festival 2016
New Filmmakers LA and New York Film Festival 2016

A SILENT VOICE (16 mm)

Director Malou Reymann

Produced by Elina Litvinova
National Film and Television School

Cast: Dina Korzun

PAWEL THE MOUSE GOES TO THE MOON

Director Pawel Stec

Produced by Pawel Stec

Financed by Homespun

Shorts on Tap, Shastaland Children's Film Festival 2015, USA, CineGlobe 2015, Switzerland, CMS International Children's Film Festival, India, CIFF, Dubai, Nightpiece Film Festival - Edinburgh Fringe Fest, San Antonio Laughs Comedy Film Slam, Texas, Comedy Cluj Romania, 2015, Backup_festival, Weimar, Germany, Tylko Montaz Film Fest in Lodz, Poland, MisCon International Film Festival, US, WIIFF Vilnius 2015,

SMOKE (35 mm)

Director Sarra Tsorakidis

Produced by Sebastian Condurache

UNATC I. L. Caragiale

Timishort International Film Festival 2014; Filmul de Piatra Film Festival 2014;

COSMOPOLITAN

Director Sarra Tsorakidis

Produced by Sebastian Condurache

UNATC I. L. Caragiale

Northern Waves Film Festival, Reykjavik 2013; Timishort International Film Festival, Romania 2013

SMOKING MAY KILL (16 mm, black and white)

Director Millo Simulov

Produced by Millo Simulov

UNATC I. L. Caragiale

**Kodak Award for Best Cinematography in a Romanian Short Film, 2010*

SHORT DOCUMENTARY (selected credits)

SOUNDS OF TEHRAN

Director Victoria Fiore

Aleksandra Bilic

Produced by My Accomplice

Aleksandra Bilic

WeTransfer

distributed by WePresent

AND IT WAS THE SAME WITH MY SON

Director Noemi Varga

(hybrid doc - fiction)

Produced by Miraj Films, Rajita Shah

Pundersons Gardens

Film London

British Film Institute

**Best Cinematography Award at BAFTA Qualifying Underwire Film Festival 2019*

Sheffield Documentary Film Festival UK 2019

Aesthetica International Short Film Festival, 2019

The Atlantic - Online premiere, November 2019

KING OF FASHION feature trailer

Director Noemi Varga

(hybrid doc - fiction)

Produced by Dora Nedeczky

Mindwax Hungary

SHARING PLATES Nowness series, Ep. 1 and 2: DISHOOM, QUO VADIS

Director Charlotte Rabate

Produced by Charlotte Rabate

Nowness

ART FILMS

CEMETERY OF UNIFORMS AND LIVERIES (16 mm black and white)

Artist Luke Willis Thompson

Produced by Luke Willis Thompson

IMA Brisbane

Turner Prize Nomination 2018

Exhibited by Tate Britain, Institute of Modern Art Brisbane, Nigel Draxler Gallery Berlin, Museum of Contemporary Art Montreal.

COMMERCIALS

VODAFONE “EVERYONE CONNECTED” - Director Katie Moriarty Hopper; Producer Dark Energy;

ECOVER TVC SLOW FASHION w/ DAWN O’PORTER, PROFESSOR GREEN - Director Emma Miranda Moore. Agency & Producer The Outfit.

TANGLE TEEZER - Director Luke Brookner. Producer Sticker Studios.

TUTTI APP BRAND FILM - Director Emma Miranda Moore. Producer Objekt Films.

CLE DE PEAU / UNICEF - Director Victoria Fiore. Agency & Producer Jane Smith Agency New York.

REESE’S 2018 ONLINE CAMPAIGN - Director Jon Moore. Agency & Producer Havas Media London, Julie Machin.

TODAY AT APPLE - Director Cassidy Gearhart. Producer Conscious Minds Los Angeles.

STELLA MCCARTNEY “SCHOOL OF MUSIC” - Director Emily Stein. Producer Blink Art.

SELFRIDGES: BEAUTY I SEE YOU EVERYWHERE + IN EVERY PERSON, A UNIVERSE - Director Kathryn Ferguson. Producer My Accomplice.

ANIMAL TALES (VIVA VEGAN CHARITY) - Director Brigitta Szaszfai. Producer Knickerbocker Glory.

MUSIC VIDEOS

HEADIE ONE - HOME: Directed by Nathan James Tettey. Producer Nkem Egbuchiri. Untold Studios. **16 mm.**

JON BATISTE - WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD: Director Samona Olanipekun. Julie Machin. Radical Media for Universal Music. **16 mm.**

ONE ESKIMO - WHO BY FIRE: Director Erica Edwards, Producer Lush Studio.

EMILIE LEVIENAISE - FARROUCH - MORPHEE: Director Weronika Tofiliska. Producer Weronika Tofiliska.

SZJERDENE – RAIN: Director Sakari Suuronen. Producer Natalie Steiner. Greatcoat Films.

SELF ESTEEM – YOUR WIFE: Director RTL. Producer Joshua Noon. Greatcoat Films.

SZJERDENE – FIND ME: Director Joey Bania. Producer Amy Anderson.

LOCATIONS

USA, UK - Northern Ireland - Scotland, Germany, France, Italy, Sardegna, Switzerland, Finland, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bosnia, Iran, Israel, Lebanon, Japan. **Holding US I-visa.**

EDUCATION

MA Cinematography - National Film and Television School, UK (2014 – 2016)

BA Hons - Cinematography for Film & TV - UNATC „I. L. Caragiale” Bucharest, Romania (2007 - 2011)

Berlinale Talents 2020, Sarajevo Talent Campus 2016

Budapest Cinematography Masterclass Scholar, mentored by Vilmos Zsigmond, ASC 2011

PANELS

BRITISH FILM INSTITUTE Filmmaking for Advocacy - Cinematography Talk - September 2020

BSC Cinematographers on Call - Online Webinar with illuminatrix cinematographers - July 2020

Girls in Film: Documentary Cinematography Panel - March 2019

BVE 2018 – Craft Panel – Cinematography in the age of Social Media - Formats and shooting for social media platforms.

Women in Cinematography Panel - Watersprite Film Festival, Cambridge 2017

LECTURES

Guest Lecturer - Cinematography and The Moving Image - Royal College of Art, February 2020; March, May 2017.

Boston University in London - Regular Guest Speaker Nov 2016 - Nov 2018.

ORGANISATIONS

2017 - present: Founder and member of **illuminatrix rising**, a collective of emerging female cinematographers based in the UK.

Managing a collective of 25 members and growing, organising and attending events, panels, webinars, producing film campaigns to promote our members and creating mentorship opportunities for women and BAME aspiring DoPs.