

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
Annabel Wigoder, Nick Taussig

DISTRIBUTION / COMMISSION / CAST

Universal Pictures

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

Fiction feature film

Tribeca Film Festival 2018 - World Premiere

Edinburgh Film Festival 2018 - International Premiere

Produced by Nikolas Holttum
James Gardner

Bank Side Films

SHORT FICTION (selected credits)

PRAGMA

Director Ellie Heydon

Produced by Pragma Productions,
Fay Mohamed

Cast: Lucy Heath, Phil Dunster

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

ISABEL

Director Matthew Murdoch

Produced by West One Entertainment
Jed Tune, Glen Kirby

Cast: Claire Skinner, Iain Glen

**Best UK Short Film - Oxford International Film Festival 2020*

AND IT WAS THE SAME WITH MY SON

Director Noemi Varga

(hybrid fiction-doc)

Produced by Miraj Films
Rajita Shah
Pundersons Gardens

Film London
British Film Institute

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

*Aesthetica International Short Film Festival, 2019; Sheffield Documentary Film Festival UK 2019;
The Atlantic - Online premiere, November 2019*

ISHA
Director Christopher Manning

Produced by 198 Film
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.
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, Wunmi Mosaku
Nicholas Pinnock, Jonathan Price

*World Premiere - Oscar Qualifying HollyShorts Film Festival 2018
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, 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

KING OF FASHION

Director Noemi Varga
(hybrid doc - fiction)

Produced by Dora Nedeczky

Mindwax Hungary

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

Director Charlotte Rabate

Produced by Charlotte Rabate

Nowness

ART FILMS

THE DEVOTIONS

Director Mia Georgis

Produced by Char Boden

The Queer House

CEMETERY OF UNIFORMS AND LIVERIES

Artist Luke Willis Thompson
(16 mm black and white)

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

THE BODY SHOP x Channel 4 "UNSEEN KINGDOM TVC" - Director Andrea Kurland, Daisy May Hudson; Producer TCO London.

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 Tofilka. Producer Weronika Tofilka.

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

MIX COPENHAGEN Film Festival - Cinematography Talk - October 2020

BRITISH FILM INSTITUTE - Young Women's Advocacy Forum 2020 - 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.

Watersprite Film Festival, Cambridge - Women in Cinematography Panel - 2017

LECTURES

Guest Lecturer - Cinematography and The Moving Image - Royal College of Art, November 2020, 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.