

ALEXIS DURAN
EDUCATOR / FILMMAKER

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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2019 - Current Adjunct Assistant Professor, Southwestern College

FTMA 100 Editing I
FTMA 101 Fundamentals in Camera, Lighting and Sound
FTMA 102 Introduction to Motion Picture Production
FTMA 290 Professional Media Work Experience I-IV

2023 Lecturer, San Diego Miramar College

DFLM 101 Introduction to Film
DFLM 102 The American Cinema

2021 Lecturer, San Diego State University

TFM 160 Cinema as Art

2016 - 2019 Graduate Teaching Assistant, San Diego State University

TFM 364A History of Film Classics: Beginning to 1950s
TFM 363 International Cinema
TFM 160 Cinema as Art

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2012 - Current Filmmaker and Founder, Oxford and Claire Productions

Position(s): Director, Producer, Writer, Cinematographer, Editor

Clients: Al Jazeera, BBC, USA Today, Bloomberg, Business Insider, Barcroft TV, PBS and Ted Talk.

2016 - 2023 Instructor, Y.E.S. Academy / College for Kids, Southwestern College

Taught multiple filmmaking summer courses to students ages 8-16.

2015- 2016 Operations Technician, NBC San Diego 7

Duties: Studio camera operating, lighting, teleprompter, sound mixer and floor directing.

EDUCATION

2020 M.F.A. San Diego State University
Film and TV Production

2015 B.A. University of California, Santa Cruz
Film and Digital Media, Production Concentration

2014 Study Abroad, Thammasat University - Bangkok, Thailand
Thai Studies

2012 A.A./A.S. Southwestern College - San Diego, Ca
English Literature, Telemedia Technology

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FILMOGRAPHY - NARRATIVE SHORT

2021 *Forgetting Caroline*, 15min. 4K

Writer, Producer, Director, Editor

During Michael's final goodbye to his ten-year-old stepdaughter, Caroline, he reflects on his experiences that led to his decision to leave. (Festival circuit in progress).

2019 *Bye Luna*, 4min. 1080P

Writer, Producer, Director, Editor

As Michael teaches his seven-year-old daughter, Luna, to speak in Spanish, an abrupt hostile confrontation presents itself. Michael experiences an unexpected reality of fatherhood.

2017 *Chato*, 10min. 1080P

Writer, Producer, Director, Co-Editor

When a fatherless 12-year-old boy attempts to put an end to his abuse from his neighbor, he's confronted by his mother about her suspicion, as he must quickly decide who he's willing to protect at the end.

FILM FESTIVALS - OFFICIAL SELECTIONS / AWARDS

Forgetting Caroline

2022 San Diego Latino Film Festival, San Diego, California - Official Selection

2022 Coronado Island Film Festival, Coronado, California - Official Selection

2021 Austin Film Festival, Austin, Texas - Official Selection

2021 San Diego International Film Festival, San Diego, California - Official Selection

Bye Luna

2021 Oakville Film Festival, Toronto, Canada - Honorable Mention

2020 SPLICE Film Fest, Brooklyn, New York - Winner

2020 San Diego Latino Film Festival, San Diego, California - Official Selection

2020 Highland Park Independent Film Festival, Los Angeles, California - Official Selection

2020 Hidalgo Film Fest, Pachuca, Mexico - Official Selection

2020 Show Me Justice Film Festival, Warrensburg, Missouri - Official Selection

2020 Chhatrapati Shivaji International Film Festival, Pune, India - Official Selection

2020 Chihuahua International Film Festival, Chihuahua, Mexico - Official Selection

2020 Sunday Shorts Film Festival, London, England - Semi-Finalist

2019 Cannes Film Festival, Cannes, France, - Short Film Corner Screening

2019 Campus Movie Fest, USA - Jury Winner

Chato

2019 Miami Independent Film Festival, Miami, Florida - Official Selection

2019 Chhatrapati Shivaji International Film Festival, Pune, India - Finalist

2019 SPLICE Film Fest, Brooklyn, New York - Finalist

2018 Hidalgo Film Fest, Pachuca, Mexico - Official Selection

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FILMOGRAPHY - TELEVISION / STREAMERS

- 2022 90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After?** - S7 E(TBD), Episode(TBD), Fall 2022
TLC/Discovery. Distribution Platforms: TLC, Hulu, Apple, Amazon and Vudu.
Segment: San Diego, Ca./Los Angeles, Ca. - Kim, Jamal and Usman.
“B” Camera Operator, 85min.
- 2022 Ultimate Rides** - S2 E3, All Shapes and Sizes (#203)
FYI/A&E Networks. Distribution Platforms: FYI, A&E, Hulu, Amazon, YouTube and Vudu.
Segment: San Diego, Ca. Howard- 1975 Acoma Mini Comtesse.
Director, Producer, Cinematographer, 21min.
- 2021 Ultimate Rides** - S2 E20, Hardcore and Heavy Duty (#220)
FYI/A&E Networks. Distribution Platforms: FYI, A&E, Hulu, Amazon, YouTube and Vudu.
Segment: Corona Ca. Hayden Proffitt- 1957 Chevy/ Hot Streak II
Director, Producer, Cinematographer, 24min.
- 2021 How To Live Younger** - Three Part Series: EP.1 Fit, EP.2 Mind, EP.3 Food.
ABC (Australia). Distribution Platforms: ABC iview.
Segment: San Diego, Ca.
Field Producer + Sound, 165min.
- 2021 Invisible Wars** - Dir. Emma Watts
ABC (Australia). Distribution Platforms: ABC iview.
Segment: San Diego, Ca.
Field Producer + Sound, 55min.
- 2021 Major League Rugby(MLR)** - Seattle Seawolves vs Los Angeles Giltinis
Fox Sports. Distribution Platforms: Fox Sports and YouTube.
Camera Operator, 80min.

FILMOGRAPHY - DOCUMENTARIES

- 2022 No Fallen Heroes-** Dir. Leigh Simons. (In progress)
Leigh Simons Productions. Distribution Platforms: TBA
Cinematographer + Sound, 60+min.
- 2022 Luminous-** Dir. Sam Smartt.
Honest Eye Productions. Distribution Platforms: Film Festivals
Camera Operator (San Diego segment), Sound and PA, 95min..
- 2022 NowThis-** Roller Skater Bily Ruiz: ‘I Embrace Every Part of Me’.
SEEN. Distribution Platforms: NowThis News, Facebook, YouTube and Twitter.
Cinematographer + Sound, 7min.

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- 2022 Voice of America(VOA)- For The Ocean.**
52 Documentaries. Distribution Platforms: VOA Streaming, Facebook, YouTube.
Cinematographer, Drone and Sound, 12min.
- 2022 Wall Street Journal- Workplace Holograms Could Soon Replace the Zoom Conference Call..**
WSJ. Distribution Platforms: WSJ, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and Snapchat
Cinematographer + Sound, 8min.
- 2022 Beauty Insider- How Fake Facial Hair Is Applied For Movies.**
INSIDER. S11 E11. Distribution Platforms: Insider, Facebook, YouTube and Snapchat.
Cinematographer + Sound, 6min.
- 2022 More Perfect Union- How to Stop an Amazon Warehouse From Taking Over Your Town.**
MPU. Distribution Platforms: More Perfect Union, Facebook and YouTube.
Cinematographer + Sound(San Diego segment), 8min.
- 2022 Beauty Insider- Scalp Micropigmentation Makes Hair Look Thicker**
INSIDER. S10 E37. Distribution Platforms: Insider, Facebook, YouTube and Snapchat.
Cinematographer + Sound, 3min.
- 2022 More Perfect Union- California Students Battle University for Affordable Housing.**
MPU. Distribution Platforms: More Perfect Union, Facebook and YouTube.
Cinematographer + Sound, 4min.
- 2021 Al Jazeera(AJ+)- 'I Felt Like a F*cking Nazi' An Ex-Border Patrol Agent Speaks Out.**
Direct From with Dena Takruri. Distribution Platforms: Facebook, YouTube and Twitter.
Cinematographer + Sound, 11min.
- 2021 USA Today- Coffee Shop Survives Pandemic Brewing Cups of Kindness.**
USA & Main: Surviving and Thriving. Distribution Platforms: Facebook and USA Today.
Cinematographer + Sound, 5min.
- 2021 Business Insider- Flip Flops Made From Plants and Algae Can Help Reduce Plastic Pollution.**
World Wide Waste. Distribution Platforms: Facebook, YouTube and Business Insider.
Cinematographer + Sound, 7min.
- 2021 Letters Home** Dir. Peter Maxwell
Maxwell Productions. Distribution Platforms: Film Festivals
Editor, Sound Designer, Colorist, 27min..
- 2020 Bloomberg Quicktake- Fragile Recovery in Cali's Barrio Logan.**
Small Recoveries. Distribution Platforms: Twitter and Bloomberg.
Director, Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 4min.

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- 2020 TED Talk-** The Mood-Boosting Power of Crying- Kathy Mendias.
TED@PMI Action+Impact. Distribution Platforms: Apple, Spotify, YouTube, TED Talk.
Cinematographer + Sound, 11min.
- 2020 PBS-** San Diego Doctor Treats Patients and Tests a Covid-19 Treatment.
A Diary From the Frontline- Episode 2. Distribution Platforms: YouTube and PBS.
Cinematographer + Sound, 7min.
- 2020 Business Insider-** Drive-thru Citizenship Ceremonies Become a Solution During the Pandemic.
BI. Distribution Platforms: Facebook Watch and Business Insider.
Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 6min.
- 2019 Barcroft TV (Truly)-** My Dad's Big Boobs and Me
My Trans Life. Distribution Platforms: YouTube, Facebook and Barcroft TV.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 7min.
- 2019 Barcroft TV (Truly)-** Limbless Bridesmaid Gives Sister Away
Born Different. Distribution Platforms: YouTube, Facebook and Barcroft TV.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 7min.
- 2019 Barcroft TV (Truly)-** I Inspired My Parents to be Polyamorous.
Extreme Love. Distribution Platforms: YouTube, Facebook and Barcroft TV.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 6min.
- 2018 BBC-** My Inspirational Twin with Down's Syndrome
Living Differently. Distribution Platforms: BBC, YouTube and Facebook.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 8min.
- 2018 Barcroft TV (Truly)-** I Swiped Right On Tinder - And Got A Kidney.
Extreme Love. Distribution Platforms: YouTube, Facebook and Barcroft TV.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 9min.
- 2018 Barcroft TV (Truly)-** My 300lbs Weight Loss Left Me With 13lbs Of Loose Skin.
Truly. Distribution Platforms: YouTube, Facebook and Barcroft TV.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 9min.
- 2018 Barcroft TV (Truly)-** 9-Year-Old Ninja Is 4-Time World Champion.
Kick-Ass Kids. Distribution Platforms: YouTube, Facebook and Barcroft TV.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 7min.
- 2018 Barcroft TV (Truly)-** My Polyamorous Pregnancy.
Extreme Love. Distribution Platforms: YouTube, Facebook and Barcroft TV.
Director + Cinematographer + Sound + Interviewer, 7min

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PRESS:

- 2023** “Meet Alexis Duran” | Bold Journey by Stephanie Hernandez, SD Voyager, Summer 2023
- 2022** “Frontera Filmmakers Showcase San Diego Latino Film Festival 2022 Q&A”
Moderated by Adriana Trujillo, Facebook Live/YouTube, Spring 2022
- 2022** “Then & Now SWC Alum: Alexis Duran” by Southwestern College Foundation, Spring 2022
- 2021** “French Exit Q&A | Oakville Festivals of Film & Art 2021”
Moderated by Tyler Collins, Live/Facebook/YouTube, Summer 2021
- 2020** “Frontera Filmmakers Showcase San Diego Latino Film Festival 2020 Q&A”
Moderated by Luis Martinez, Facebook Live/YouTube, Fall 2020
- 2020** “Meet Alexis Duran | Filmmaker/Educator” by Patrick Harris, Shoutout Socal, Summer 2020
- 2020** “Postponed Film Festival Shines Spotlight on Variety” by Isabel Hughes,
The Star News, Spring 2020
- 2020** “Expondrá Alexis Duran el Filme “Bye Luna” en San Diego Latino Film Festival”
by Victor Delgado, ZETA Tijuana, Spring 2020
- 2019** “October Featured Member: Alexis Duran” by Sandi Buehner, San Diego Crew, Fall 2019
- 2019** “Art & Life with Alexis Duran” by Patrick Harris, SD Voyager, Spring 2019
- 2018** “Campus Movie Fest returns to SDSU” by Stephan Early, The Daily Aztec, Fall 2018

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT / CERTIFICATES:

- 2022** Work-Based Learning(WBL) Certificate, Southwestern College
- 2022** Faculty Hiring Prioritization Training, Southwestern College
- 2022** Snag It Training, Southwestern College
- 2022** CCCAOE: Strengthening Community Through Inclusion and Engagement, Spring Conference
- 2022** Equal Employment Opportunity and Implicit Bias Training, Southwestern College
- 19-21** Strong Workforce Faculty Institute, *Rethinking the Experience for Retention and Success.*
San Diego & Imperial Community Colleges Regional Consortium, Fall Cohort
- 2021** Remote Teaching Certificate, Southwestern College
- 2021** VoiceThread Training, Canvas - Southwestern College
- 2021** Sexual Harassment Prevention for Non-Managers (SB1343)- Keenan SafeColleges Training
- 2020** Distance Education Addendum Originator Training- Southwestern College
- 2019** Equal Employment Opportunity and Implicit Bias Training, Southwestern College
- 2019** CCCAOE: Making Every Connection Work While Reaching for the Stars, Fall Conference
- 2019** Mental Health First Aid USA, National Council for Behavioral Health- Adult Aider Certificate

SERVICES:

- 2022** Career Education/Strong Workforce Annual Funding Grant, Awardee, \$60,845
- 2022** Diploma Presenter, Southwestern College Commencement Ceremony
- 2022** FTMA Student Film/Video Work(2002-Present), Digital Archivist
- 19-22** FTMA Club, Faculty Advisor, Southwestern College
- 19-22** College Preview Day Exhibitor (In-person and Virtual), Southwestern College
- 20-22** Puente Mentor, Southwestern College
- 20-21** FTMA Lab Technician Interim, Southwestern College

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- 20-21** Distance Education/Online Learning Addendum, CurricUNET, Southwestern College
19-20 FTMA ADT (A.A./A.S.) Transfer Course Map, Jaguar Pathways, Southwestern College

GUEST LECTURES / WORKSHOPS:

- 2022** Guest Speaker, Career Panel, Pasadena City College
2022 Guest Director, Middle School Day Filmmaking Workshop, Southwestern College/FTMA
2022 Guest Speaker, FTMA 163: Introduction to Electronic Media, Southwestern College
2021 Guest Lecturer, Exploring Alfonso Cuarón's *Y Tu Mama Tambien*, Virtual Film Discussion, Persian Cultural Center & San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture.
2021 Guest Director, Youth Acting Workshop, Arts for a Better Tomorrow & Love Thy Neighbor

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN FILM:

MASTER CLASSES / SEMINARS / CERTIFICATES:

- 2023** 1st Annual SWC Summer Drone Workshop, Southwestern College
2022 Vimeo Expert, Certificate
2022 TV Academy Foundation: Media Educators Conference, Attendee
2022 Learn Light & Sound- Zoom F4: Getting the Most from Your Recorder, Certificate
2022 Covid-19 Compliance Officer Certificate(Film, TV & Media Sets), Health Education Services
2022 Attendee, Sundance Collab. Master Class: Writing your Documentary Script with Mark Monroe.
2022 Attendee, Sundance Collab. Advisor Studio: How to Create a Pitch Deck with Mallory Schwartz and Jessica Devaney.
2021 Blackmagic TV Studio Production Training, AbelCine/Southwestern College
2019 2nd Annual UASTEP Drone Workshop, Palomar College/Southwestern College

MEMBERSHIPS / AFFILIATIONS:

- 2022- Present** Television Academy, Academic Member

LANGUAGES:

English:

Speak, Native
Read, Native
Write, Native

Spanish:

Speak, Fluent
Read, Fluent
Write, Fluent