



Christopher Darton -

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Profile

Christopher Darton (director/camera/producer/editor) is a Metis writer and filmmaker from Port Colborne, Ontario who has worked as a freelance writer, photographer and videographer for the past 28 years since graduating from Sheridan College in Film.

Growing up in Fort Erie, Ontario Chris played hockey and read comic books like any normal Canadian kid until the start of the home video revolution in the early 80's. Owning one of the first beta systems on the market and fertile imagination Chris began watching 2 or 3 movies a day and shooting his own movies on Super 8mm.

After college Chris worked for 5 years in a video store where he immersed himself in films of all sorts: horror, drama, foreign, action ... watching anything he could get his hands on. Chris has written seven feature length films as well as acting as creator/writer of the unproduced TV series Turtle Island Blues. During the past few years he's focused his attention on the music field in Canada.

Experience

THE CAMERON HOUSE (CO-PRODUCER/DIRECTOR/WRITER) - 2017 - 2018

The Cameron House will be a feature length documentary chronicling the history of the legendary Toronto building from it's early roots in the 1920's to it's more recent incarnation as stage (and residence) to some of the most popular musicians and artists in Canada. The Cameron House became cultural centre of the Queen Street arts scene due to the artists who were performed there and has been described as a Toronto crossover of CBGB's and the Chelsea Hotel in New York.

37% PURE EVIL (PRODUCER) - 2017

Short horror film produced for Skeleton Crew Entertainment. The film premiered at Frightmare in the Falls in Niagara Falls Ontario in October 2017.

HARD WORKING MAN (PRODUCER/DIRECTOR/WRITER) – 2015 - 2017

Hard Working Man: The Music and Miracles of Danny Brooks is a feature length film documenting the life of Danny Brooks as a working musician ... writing songs, recording, out on the road, meeting people ... as well as the affect on those who touch his life. It will also cover Brooks past ... his growing up in Toronto, his musical trajectory, his battle with addiction and his relationship with his wife and musical partner Debi. At its core the film is about survival ... determination ... faith and the celebration of a creative life in music.

HALLOWEEN BABY (PRODUCER) - 2016

Halloween Baby music video is a throwback to the old school mini-movie videos from the glory days of MTV and MUCH Music, is a horror based special effects laden project set on Halloween starring the band Bobnoxious. The video premiered at the London Comic Con in London Ontario in September of 2016 and placed bronze at the F.A.M.E. 'US International Film Festival winter 2016.

THE WAY WE WAS (PRODUCER/DIRECTOR/EDITOR) – 2014/15

The Way We Was: The Story of the Kendall Wall Band is a feature length documentary covering the 11 year career of a popular group of Canadian musicians during the 80's and early 90's. It begins at Toronto's Black Swan Tavern where their Saturday Afternoon Blues Matinee became legendary and follows them as they develop as a band and expand their role as a backing band for many preeminent Canadian and American blues artists. The last part of the film documents the remixing, editing, mastering and revitalization of the band's "almost lost" 25 year old studio recordings.

Education

Sheridan College (Brampton) - Illustration 1984

Sheridan College (Oakville) - Film Studies 1985-88

Skills

Producer

Writer

Director

Editor

Camera

Support

Cashbox Canada Article - The Way We Was

<http://cashboxcanada.ca/7064/way-we-was-story-kendall-wall-band>

Welland Tribune Newspaper Article

<http://www.wellandtribune.ca/2015/05/11/documentary-out-of-work-from-fort-erie-slots-man-takes-time-off-to-live-dream>

Toronto Blues Society Review for The Way We Was

<http://torontobluessociety.com/2016/03/johns-blues-picks-march-2016-the-story-of-the-kendall-wall-blues-band/>

Sleaze Roxx Article - Halloween Baby

<http://sleazeroxx.com/bobnoxious-release-video-for-new-song-halloween-baby/>

Preserving the Blues - Podcast Interview

<http://www.preservingtheblues.org/christopher-darton-preserving-canadian-blues/>

YourTV Niagara - Interview for Hard Working Man

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-gCXL65r4Zc>

Welland Tribune Newspaper Article - 37% Pure Evil

<http://www.wellandtribune.ca/2017/08/02/port-colborne-filmmaker-focused-on-horror>