



# Kyla Sylvers

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Accomplished and driven indie screenwriter and producer who is proficient in creating diverse, female-led content. Has an ability to blend and bend genres in order to find creative ways to tell bold stories. An approachable, hard working, and easy to work with person who is ready to expand their reach further in the entertainment industry.

## SKILLS

- Editing
- Social Media
- Creative writing
- Content Development
- Networking skills
- Sci-fi, fantasy, and genre-bending writer
- Public speaker
- Research
- Proofreading
- Pep Talks
- Solution-oriented person

## WORK HISTORY

### WRITER-PRODUCER 06/2017 to CURRENT

#### Melanin & Magic Productions | Brooklyn, New York

- Utilize exceptional writing, editing, and proofreading skills to produce engaging and error-free content.
- Write and produce outstanding screenplays, including ones that have won awards, screened around the world, and been seen by thousands.
- Create engaging content on a budget without compromising the presentation quality.
- Challenge myself to write in different genres while still creating dynamic characters and interesting plots.
- Collaborate with forward thinkers to create the best possible content.

### TEACHING ARTIST 01/2019 to 06/2020

#### Harlem Children's Zone/Independent Contractor | New York, New York

- Developed lesson plans surrounding various types of art, history and culture.
- Facilitated group sessions and provided one-on-one support.
- Maintained daily student records and evaluated student progress.
- Prepared and gathered materials for detailed lesson plans.
- As an acting coach, I created lesson plans that specifically catered to the needs of each student. This included merging film, theater, and TV lessons together sometimes.

### SUBSTITUTE TEACHER/ACADEMIC COACH 01/2017 to 01/2019

#### School Professionals/Academics West | New York, New York

- Followed classroom plans left by class teacher to continue student education and reinforce core concepts.
- Upheld classroom routines to support student environments and maintain consistent schedules.
- Took notes and prepared reports on school day activities to provide to primary teacher.
- Administered and graded tests and quizzes and reported performance to primary teacher.
- As an academic coach, I taught History and English to behaviorally challenged students. I created lesson plans, graded work, and provided feedback of academic performance(s) to the student, school administrators, as well as parents.

## EDUCATION

### Bachelor of Arts | Dramatic Arts & Screenwriting 05/2015

#### University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Audience Choice Award Winner (*The Black Banshee* short film)
- Our Right To Gaze participant via the Emerging Black Filmmakers Screening series from *NW Film Forum*, *Luminal Theatre*, and *Full Spectrum Features*.
- Scripts have been a finalist and semi-finalist in competitions for *Sundance*, *Macro*, *Emerging Screenwriters*, and more
- Films have screened at *PAFF*, *San Diego Black Film Festival*, *San Francisco Black Film Festival*, *New Faces*, *New Voices*, and more.
- Reps: Art/Work Entertainment