

BEN FELDMAN

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Film Director

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EDUCATION

University of Virginia – Charlottesville, VA – Class of 2019

- Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering with Highest Distinction, Physics Minor, GPA: 3.80
- Film-Related Coursework: Directing, Screenwriting, Playwriting, Cinema as an Art Form
- Film-Related Organizations: Founder & President of Virginia Filmmakers, Production Coordinator for LabShorts

FILM DIRECTING EXPERIENCE

Viable – West Hollywood, CA – 2022

- Documentary, 45 min

Conversations on 3rd – Venice, CA – 2021

- Shot 100 hours and counting of day-in-the-life documentary footage with a homeless community

Breaking the Zoom Wall – Virtual – 2020

- Comedy web series, ten 10-min episodes

Psychosis – Orange, CA – 2019

- Thriller short, 14 min
- Distributed by DUST Studios, >250K views
- Best Horror at Virginia Emerging Filmmakers Fest
- Honorable Mention at District Cinema Film Festival

Sofa – Charlottesville, VA – 2018

- Black comedy short, 22 min
- Premiered at 1st annual UVA Overcranked screening

Low Battery – Charlottesville, VA – 2016

- Drama/sci-fi short, 13 min
- Premiered at 2nd annual UVA LabShorts screening

Adults – Chicago, IL – 2015

- Black comedy short, 34 min

Knock – Highland Park, IL – 2014

- Drama short, 6 min
- Official Selection to Chicago Onscreen Film Festival

Playing the Odds – Highland Park, IL – 2014

- Drama short, 6 min
- Official Selection to Chicago International Film Festival

Clogged Up – Highland Park, IL – 2013

- Comedy/silent short, 9 min
- Best Directing at North Shore Film Festival

ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE (as it relates to filmmaking)

The Aerospace Corporation – El Segundo, CA – 2018-Present

- Engaged in fast-paced problem-solving as a modeling, simulation, and analysis engineer for military space systems
- Led 2-3 projects simultaneously, delegating to teams of 5-10 technical subject-matter experts, integrating their components together to make a whole system work, and presenting results to non-technical customers
- Promoted to manager to contribute to big-picture department goals such as hiring, mentoring, and fundraising

MISCELLANEOUS CREATIVE EXPERIENCE

Virtual Reality – Charlottesville, VA – 2018-2019

- Sought out by UVA Hospital to be creative director of 360° medical education videos
- Published thesis titled “Directing for Cinematic Virtual Reality: The Viewer as the Camera”

Theater – Charlottesville, VA / Highland Park, IL – 2014-2018

- Wrote and co-directed short comedies for Highland Park Short Play Festival and UVA Privacy Plays Production

Film Crew BTL – Los Angeles, CA / Richmond, VA – 2016-Present

- Freelanced as editor, 1st AD, script supervisor, sound mixer, DIT and PA on indie shorts and a spec commercial
- Assisted art director and UPM on music video shoots for Sam Hill Entertainment

Promotional Content – Wallops Island, VA / Charlottesville, VA / Highland Park, IL – 2013-2018

- Shot and edited ads for Virginia Space STEM outreach, HPHS Charity Drive, and Harris Cole album release
- Served as Director of Marketing & Advertising for UVA Engineering Student Council
- Created social media materials as a graphic designer for UVA Football recruitment program