

TALIA OSTEEN
Director/Writer/Producer

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Agency: UTA

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GROWNISH (Freeform/Hulu, 2022) - Director

- **Episodic director** on Ep 505 “You Don’t Know Me” & 508 “Certified Lover Boy”

SEX APPEAL (Hulu, 2022) - Director

- **Feature film** directorial debut, starring Fortune Feimster, Margaret Cho, Paris Jackson, Mika Abdalla, Jake Short and Rebecca Henderson.

THE SHABBOS GOY – Writer/Director

- Selected to participate in Paul Feig’s Fuse Directors Incubator Program where she wrote & directed **short comedy** THE SHABBOS GOY, starring Milana Vayntrub. Official selection at the Austin Film Festival, Florida Film Festival, Series Fest, Napa Valley Film Festival & others.
- **Feature film** in development at Powderkeg with Paul Feig attached as EP.

TV PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT:

LAVENDER MENACE – Co-Creator/Writer/Producer

- **Dramedy one-hour series** set up at ABC Signature Studios with Kerry Washington attached to produce via her prod. co Simpson Street. Co-creator Sara Hess (Writer/EP, ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK, HOUSE, DEADWOOD) attached to showrun. Currently packaging.

THE MOTHER LOAD – Creator/Writer/Director

- **Half hour dramedy series**, currently in development.

8 DAYS - Producer

- **Hour-long dramatic thriller series**, set up at NBC, producing with Michael B. Jordan’s Outlier Society, and Arika Mittman writing the pilot.

FEATURE PROJECTS ATTACHED TO DIRECT:

48 HOUR FIANCEE - rom-com - Fierce Baby Productions (Nanatchka Khan, Chloe Yellin), written by Matt Fusefeld and Alex Cuthbertson

BIRDY & MAE - dramedy - 42 Productions (Erica Steinberg, Ben Pugh, Kari Hatfield), w: Cassandra Clementi

ALL THIS TIME - drama - MegaMix Productions (Gillian Bohrer, McAuley Cahill), w: Mikki Daughtry & Tobias Iaconis

MY EX-WIFE’S WEDDING - rom-com - Rebelle Media (Laura Lewis, Stephanie Noonan), w: Katie Heaney

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

FLOCK OF DUDES (2016) – Co-Producer

- **Co-Produced indie comedy** FLOCK OF DUDES (2016) with stellar comedy cast including: Chris D’Elia, Kumail Nanjiani, Brett Gelman, Eric Andre, Hannah Simone, Bryan Greenberg, Skylar Astin, Hillary Duff, Marc Maron & Jeff Ross.

OVERNIGHT PRODUCTIONS – Head of Production & Development

- Found investor & secured \$8m overhead & development funding for Overnight Productions.
- Fostered relationships with writers, directors & actors, as well as agents, managers & executives. Attached talent for open directing & writing assignments, & assisted in casting projects.
- Built company slate, generating,

soliciting & overseeing all projects. Brought in original ideas & existing IP. Worked with writers to develop original scripts & spec scripts. Acquired packaged projects for co production & production financing.

Projects include, but are not limited to:

- o THE LUCKY ONES (Rachel McAdams, Tim Robbins, Michael Pena. Dir: Neil Burger)
- o BLACK SWAN (Natalie Portman, Mila Kunis. Dir: Darren Aronofsky)
- o LABOR PAINS (Lindsay Lohan, Luke Kirby. Wri/Dir: Lara Shapiro)
- o 13 (Jason Statham, Mickey Rourke, Sam Riley. Wri/Dir: Gela Babluani)
- o MACHETE (Danny Trejo, Robert DeNiro, Jessica Alba, Michelle Rodriguez. Wri/Dir: Robert Rodriguez & Ethan Maniquis)

BLINDSIDED (HBO) - Director/Producer

- Directed & independently produced feature-length documentary, **BLINDSIDED** • Acquired by HBO & aired from 2008-2009 on HBO, HBO Family & On Demand

THE WELLSPRING - Composer, Singer/Songwriter, Music Producer, Musician •

Composed score & wrote original songs for:

- IMPOSTERS (Bravo/Netflix/NBC Universal) – TV scripted series, 2 seasons, ongoing – created by Adam Brooks (MOZART IN THE JUNGLE, DEFINITELY/MAYBE) & Paul Adelstein (GIRLFRIEND’S GUIDE TO DIVORCE, upcoming I FEEL BAD)
- COFFEE TOWN (HBO/College Humor) – feature comedy written & directed by Brad Copeland (ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT, MY NAME IS EARL)
- SLOW LEARNERS (IFC/Netflix) – Tribeca Film Fest premiere, feature romantic comedy starring Adam Pally & Sarah Burns
- Wrote/recorded/produced/released multiple albums as half of the duo The Wellspring, with songs featured on various TV series. More extensive credits & info at www.thewellspringmusic.com • National Tour - performed opening for Pete Yorn & Ben Kweller

EDUCATION

University of Southern California (School of Cinema-Television) Major: Cinema-Television Production. Minor: Communications in the Entertainment Industry. Graduated Magna Cum Laude

SKILLS & OTHER

Music producing and sound mixing in Logic and ProTools, Editing in Avid, Writing in Final Draft.

Background in acting (5 TV series and a film as a child before moving behind the camera), trained in Misner and Stella Adler acting methods.

Led the launch of the Youth Policy Institute’s PROMISE SCHOLARS program to support & improve education for economically disadvantaged students in Los Angeles, increasing graduation & college enrollment rates.

Volunteer: Chrysalis (homelessness); Learning Works (education), fundraising for Democratic election campaigns.

Mother of six year old Elliott Dash, who is by far the best thing I’ve made.