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Alexandria- Egypt

FILM DIRECTOR \ WRITER

Award-winning Egyptian filmmaker with selections at the Hollywood Arab Film Festival, Seattle Arab Film Festival, and Luxor African Film Festival. Winner of the Best Director Award at the Youth Empowerment Competition (Mentor Arabia) and a Jury Award at the 7th Mansat Film Festival. Passionate about poetic and experimental cinema, exploring themes of identity and memory. Skilled in visual storytelling and innovative filmmaking approaches.

FILMOGRAPHY

A Rainy spring \ short fiction film [2021]

Film Director \ writer

- Directed and oversaw the production of short film, from concept development to post-production.
- Collaborated with art directors , cinematographers and editors to create visually stunning and emotionally engaging film.
- Official selection at :
 - Hollywood Arab Film festival - USA [2022]
 - Alexandria International short film festival - Egypt [2022]
 - Cairo " Vision " Short Egyptian film festival -Egypt [2022]
 - Swidaa international short film festival -Syria [2022]
 - Thessaloniki Free Short Festival - Greece [2022]

A Very Obnoxious Thing \ Experimental documentary film[2022]

Film Director

- Official selection at :
 - Alexandria Film Festival for Mediterranean Countries - Egypt [2022]
 - Manassat Short Film Festival - Egypt [2023]
 - Seattle Arab Film Festival -USA [2023]
 - Fimto Art International Short Film Festival - Egypt [2023]
 - Cairo " Vision " Short Egyptian Film festival -Egypt [2023]
 - Panorama international Short Film Festival - Tunisia [2024]
 - Aflamuna Platform - Beirut Dc [2023]

Birds Trap \ Academic graduation project [2023]

Film Director \ producer

- Luxor African Film Festival - Egypt [2025]
- Youth Empowerment Competition (Mentor Arabia) - Qatar [2025]

The other way \ short fiction film [2022]

Scriptwriter

- Academic project - Academy of arts - Higher Institute of Cinema in Alexandria

The Departure of the Prodigal Son \ short fiction film [2025]

Co-Writer

- A Short Film Received a Production Grant Funded in Collaboration With EUNIC Egypt and the Jesuit Cultural Center in Alexandria.

Kafr Eldawar - Athens \ short fiction film [2025]

Co-Writer

- A Short Film developed during a workshop organized by Film Independent in collaboration with the U.S. Embassy and the Luxor Film Festival, and awarded the "Dahshour" grant in cooperation with the French Embassy.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Youth Empowerment Competition (Mentor Arabia) - Qatar
Best Director - 2025
 - Manassat Short Film Festival - Egypt
- Jury award - 2023
 - Swidaa international short film festival -Syria
-Special mention - 2022
 - Fimto Art International Short Film Festival- Egypt
-Special mention - 2023
 - Aflamuna Platform - Beirut DC- 2023
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WORKSHOPS

- [A Scriptwriting Workshop](#) at Luxor African Film Festival in collaboration with the Film Independent Foundation and the American Embassy in Cairo. 2024
 - Participation in the directing team in a short film project funded by Jesuit Cultural Center, the British Consulate, Goethe Institute, and the American Embassy - 2023
 - Filmmaking workshop at the Jesuit Cultural Center - 2023
 - A creative writing workshop in cooperation with Space 6 Bab Sharq and Goethe Institute - (2021-2022)
 - A workshop on forms of artistic production with producer and researcher Mariz kelada , in cooperation with Wekalet Behna - 2021
 - Film production and financing workshop by "Shihab Al-Khashab," teacher at Oxford University, and with support from Wekalet Behna - 2021
 - Story lab at shnit film festival - 2019
documentary filmmaking workshop
 - Artistic writing workshop presented by Oguto Muraya in cooperation with the Jesuit Cultural Center and the French Embassy - 2018
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CO-FOUNDER AT HANDYCAM FILMS

Handycam Films is an Independent Film Production House that was founded in 2024

BLOG

SITTING WITH THE WORDS

Visit ; <https://sittingwiththewords.blogspot.com/?m=1>
to explore my writing portfolio in the art of storytelling
and creative expression.

EDUCATION

ACADEMY OF ARTS - HIGHER INSTITUTE OF CINEMA IN ALEXANDRIA

Directing department | 2019 - 2023

SKILLS

- Production management
 - visual storytelling
 - creative writing
 - Photography
 - Graphic design
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LANGUAGE

- English
- Arabic