



Name	Rayell Iván Abad Guangorena
Studies	Bachelor in Digital Media Production at the University of Texas at El Paso. Class of 2015 Sound Mixer Internship: Mindwarp Films (El Paso, Texas, 2013) Advanced 5.1 Sound Design Workshop (Estudios Galaz, México City, 2018) Cinema Project Development Workshop: Nicolás Celis. Secretariat of Culture, 2018 Cinematography Workshop: Mario Luna. Secretariat of Culture, 2018 Directing Film Actors Workshop: Samantha Castillo. Film Chihuahua, 2019
Resume	<p>Rayell is a Mexican director and sound mixer. In 2017 he channeled his experience as a sound mixer in the documentary "Home + Away" which premiered at the 2018 Tribeca Film Festival. For 7 years, Rayell's work orbited the documentary world, exploring the hardships and struggles of immigration through numerous audiovisual projects. The Toronto International Film Festival premiered "Ready for War" (2019), showcasing Rayell's work as a sound mixer and his ambition to capture the distinctive essence of the border town by following the stories of veterans deported from the United States.</p> <p>A 2015 alumnus of the University of Texas at El Paso, Rayell constantly seeks to collaborate with the local film community in the bordertown and the state of Chihuahua. In recent years, Rayell has shifted his focus from documentary filmmaking to narrative filmmaking in order to change the constant negative and violent narrative of his native Ciudad Juarez. In 2022, Rayell received the Eka grant for the arts & culture of the state of Chihuahua to produce his first feature film, Lepes. In 2023, Lepes became the first feature to be filmed in Ciudad Juarez in its entirety featuring all local cast & crew. In 2024, Rayell received the federal grant FOCINE by the Mexican Film Institute (Imcine) for the post-production of Lepes. The same year, Richard Linklater's Austin Film Society awarded Rayell as a grantee for his film Lepes.</p> <p>In late 2022, short film "Entre Mudos y Estatuas" was selected winner by the jury of the Punta del Este Jewish Film Festival, in 2023 the film featured in the festival Shorts Mexico. By the end of 2023, Rayell returns as head of the sound department for the film "OLMO," written and directed by renowned Mexican director Fernando Eimbcke. In 2024, renowned spanish actor Fernando Tielve started in Rayell 's period short film "La Muy Joven Guardia".</p>
Projects	<p><i>Director. Lepes. Feature film (Pending Premiere)</i></p> <p><i>Sound Mixer. OLMO. Feature film</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Berlinale Film Festival 2025 (Premiere)</i> <p><i>Sound Mixer. Hungry Planet. TV Series: 1 Episode. PBS Terra (2024)</i></p>



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