

# ANDREW DAWAF



FILM WRITER & DIRECTOR

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## Content

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## Information

🏠 DOB: March 2, 2001

📍 Born & Raised: Beirut, Lebanon

📍 Based in: Beirut, Lebanon

## DIRECTING SHOWREEL:

<https://vimeo.com/andrewdawaf/directingshowreel>

My impulse to telling stories and conveying feelings of my people and land is what inspires me the most. My strength lies in exceptional communication and leadership skills that allow me to convey artistic ideas effectively and guide teams toward success. The passion I have for cinema will never cease to grow; working with new people, and telling the stories I have at heart, will always be something I crave to experience.

## Education

### Saint Joseph School Cornet Chahwan

2005 - 2019 : Lebanon

High School Diploma With Honors  
(Sociology & Economics) | Ranked Second in Strand

### Lebanese National Higher Conservatory of Music

2009 - 2020 : Lebanon

8th grade in classical Piano

### Notre Dame University Louaize

2019 - 2022 : Lebanon

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Arts - Radio/TV Emphasis  
(Audiovisual Arts: Writing & Directing Concentration) Magna Cum Laude / High Distinction; five mentions on the Dean's Honor List

### Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg GmbH

2022: Germany

Intensive film program scholarship; International Class ICLA

## Life Engagements

Working Out Daily  
Sancta Maria Choir Member

## Languages

Arabic 🌐🌐🌐🌐🌐

English 🌐🌐🌐🌐🌐

French 🌐🌐🌐🌐🌐



# Work Experience

## **MUSIC VIDEO & FILM DIRECTOR: FREELANCE**

2020 - current : Lebanon

## **FESTIVAL COORDINATOR: BEIRUT FILM SOCIETY**

2021 - current : Lebanon

- Beirut International Women Film Festival
- Beirut Shorts International Film Festival (Academy Award | Oscar Qualifying Festival)

## **PRODUCTION COORDINATOR: MATCH FILMS**

2024 - 2025 : Lebanon

- Lebanese Feature Film with Line Producer Marie-Lynn Nasrallah

## **FIRST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: MARILYNE NAAMAN**

2024 - current : Lebanon

- Casino Du Liban (Concert - Dir. Lynn Tawilé)  
<https://youtu.be/iDexe-5ksJM?list=RDIDexe-5ksJM>
- Nachez (Music Video - Dir. Lynn Tawilé)  
<https://youtu.be/sJL3NuTkfRU>
- Mech Nafs El Shi (Music Video - Dir. Lynn Tawilé)  
[https://youtu.be/Z\\_TcwONEOpg?si=T5g-5E3PEWL79fQR](https://youtu.be/Z_TcwONEOpg?si=T5g-5E3PEWL79fQR)
- Beirut Waterfront (Concert - Dir. Lynn Tawilé)

## **FIRST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: FREELANCE**

2021 - current : Lebanon

- I'm Looking For Someone Who Looks Like Me (Masters Degree MET FILM SCHOOL - Prod. Shirley Khoury, Dir. Elio Tarabay)  
unreleased
- Shabah, Layal Jomaa (Music Video - Dir. Layal Jomaa)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rg-Un-XxD90>
- Juan Personnel (Short Fashion Film - Dir. Lynn Tawilé)  
<https://vimeo.com/787595960>
- The Ant That Crossed My Sketchbook (Independent Short Film - Dir. Chris Akoury)  
[Private Link Upon Request]
- Nostalgia, Zeyne (Music Video - Dir. Eli Salameh) As Second AD  
[https://youtu.be/NHJ\\_bpX8psgz](https://youtu.be/NHJ_bpX8psgz)
- Shayfa Eh, Aziz Maraka (Music Video - Dir. Rami Lattouf)  
<https://youtu.be/mclMmlBCpnw?si=D8anO-aAYynH-vLP>
- Ehna El Shella, Haifa Wehbe (Music Video - Dir. Raja Nehme)  
<https://youtu.be/l1RpLRndNJg?list=RDl1RpLRndNJg>

# Filmography

## **YELLOW - COVER**

2020 : Lebanon - Music Video (4') - Director, Musician

*A chandelier, a piano.*



## **SATURN**

2021 : Lebanon - Short Fiction Film (18') - Director & Music Composer

*A twenty year old orphan wrestles to see the world through the innocent eyes of her kid sister after the murder of her older brother.*



## **BIRDS OF BEIRUT**

2021 : Lebanon - Music Video (5') - Carine Geagea & Khalil Geagea - Director, Producer, Editor

*It is difficult for a wounded bird to fly again, but it is also possible.*



## LOSING YOU ONCE WAS PARADISE

2021 : Lebanon - NDU - Short Fiction Film (8') - Writer & Director, Editor

*A girl goes through the biggest loss of her life over a phone call.*



📌 <https://vimeo.com/andrewdawaf/losingyouoncewasparadise>

## THE PERFECT BALANCE

2022 : Lebanon - NDU - Short Fiction Film (3') - Writer & Director, Music Composer

*Fantasy exists in a perfect balance between what we fear  
and what we feel safe with.*



📌 <https://vimeo.com/andrewdawaf/theperfectbalance>

## CAN YOU GO DEEPER

2022 : Lebanon - NDU - Short Fiction Film (8') - Writer & Director

*Four friends go for a night swim when an unexpected turn of  
events lead to a crime.*



📌 <https://vimeo.com/andrewdawaf/canyougodeeper>

## ICE

2022 : Germany - Filmakademie BW - Short Fiction Film (9') - Writer & Director, Editor

A young adult is obsessed with a voice message conversation from the past, the only thing that is left from a "lover" who ghosted her.



<https://vimeo.com/andrewdawaf/ice>

## BAREFOOT FROM BEIRUT

2022 : Lebanon | Germany - NDU - Short Fiction Film (15') - Writer & Director, Producer

Far away from home, and after becoming auditorily impaired as a result of the Beirut blast, Tahara, a Lebanese immigrant in Europe, tries singing again by feeling musical vibrations through the ground, but homesickness overtakes her every emotion. To her, water is a sensory key element that calms her chaos. It reminds her of home, by the Mediterranean sea, where her heart and mind are at ease.



<https://vimeo.com/andrewdawaf/barefootfrombeirut>

## METL EL GHAYMI

2022 : Lebanon - Music Video (4') - Jad Obeid & Elsy Abboud - Director, Editor

Sometimes, storms happen in August.



<https://vimeo.com/andrewdawaf/metlelghaymi>

## EELMAN ENNOU

2023 : Lebanon - Music Video (4') - Jad Obeid & Charbel Matar - Director, Producer, Editor

*A couple having a reconciliation picnic by the beach decide to play hide and seek until one of them runs away for real.*



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## SAAB ALAYI

2023 : Lebanon - Music Video (4') - Tony Attieh - Director, Producer, Editor

*A visual trip of a broken relationship.*



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## DÉJÀ VU

2024 : Lebanon - Music Video (3') - Jad Obeid & Layal Ghossein - Director

*Dualism.*



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## I AM A CHEF

2023 : Lebanon - Short Film (7') - 48 HOUR FILM PROJECT - Director, Editor

Mistaken as chefs, Hala and Farah embark on an absurd journey of having to cook a lobster to make an extra amount of cash.



## I AM A PAINTING

2023 : International - Short Film (7') - YES WE CANNES GLOBAL FILM COMPETITION - Director, Editor

A caterer at a christmas festival sees a random painting for sale. Somehow, she is the subject of the painting.



## METL ELMALAK

2024 : Lebanon - Music Video (3') - Layal Ghossain & Julien Chaaya - Director

A script turns into reality.



## **SCOUTS MARIAMITES ANTHEM**

2024 : Lebanon - Music Video (2') - Director

*Towards a Better World.*



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## **MANDOUB**

2024 : Lebanon - Music Video (2') - Jad Obeid & Luna Karam - Director

*Lebanon, the most precious land.*



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## **SWING OF HOPE**

2025 : Lebanon - Musical Short Film (5') - Jad Obeid - Director, Writer, Editor

*it's true that we don't know what we've got until it's gone, but i have faith that everything finds its way back to us, one way or another.*

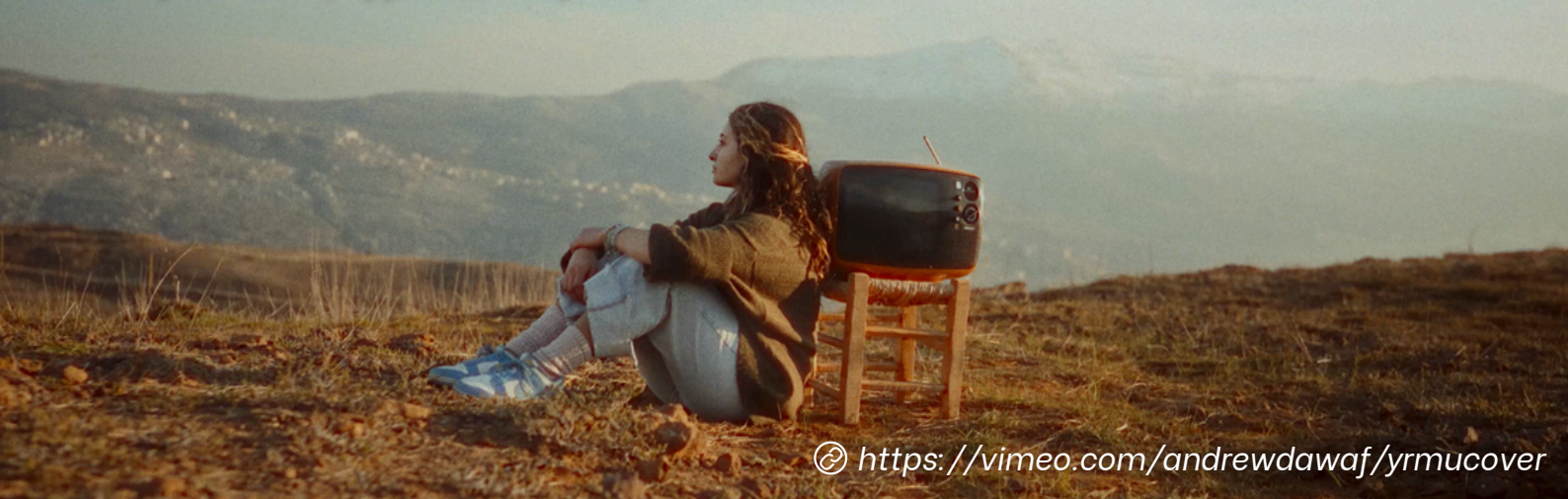


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## **YOU RAISE ME UP (COVER)**

2025 : Lebanon - Music Video (3') - Myriam Bou Akl - Director, Editor

*recalling the beauty of faith, through Baptism.*



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## **BRAIN STATION CLINICS**

2025 : Lebanon - Mental Health Awareness Campaign (2') - Director

*there is no health without mental health.*



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## **MAZMOOR 151**

2025 : Lebanon - Short Film (14') - Writer, Director

*overwhelmed by his own thoughts and rigid beliefs, a father witnesses his son's friend drowning, yet chooses not to intervene.*



# **Previous Experience & Achievements**

## **SCOUTS MARIAMITES**

*2011 - 2025 : Lebanon*

Latest position as Groupe Phénix Atchaneh Head Leader & Commissaria Member

## **ARABIC PUBLIC SPEAKING**

*2016 - 2020 : Lebanon*

Ranking first place in six public speaking school & national competitions; including: Lebanese American University - Thanawiyat AL Eshrak wa Jamiiyat EL Fekr EL Ebdaii - Saint Joseph School

## **NDU PIANO COMPETITION**

*2017 : Lebanon - Ranking in the top eight among over fifty advanced pianists*

## **THEATER & DRAMA**

*2017 - 2019 : Lebanon: Saint Joseph School & Notre Dame University*

## **STUDENT COUNCIL CHAIRMAN**

*2018 - 2019 : Lebanon: Chairperson of the High School student council & Valedictorian*

## **COVERNATION COLDPLAY CONTEST**

*2020 : International - Ranking in the top ten best cover & music video*

## **NÉ A BEYROUTH FILMS**

*2020 : Lebanon - Ten day intern on a feature film set*

## **NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY x FILMAKADEMIE - EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

*2022 : Lebanon - Germany*

Chosen as the top student in the department alongside one other classmate, to be the NDU representatives in the exchange program for one semester at Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg GmbH in Ludwigsburg, Germany

## **48 HOUR FILM PROJECT**

*2023 - 2024 : Lebanon & INTERNATIONAL*

**LEBANON: 48 Hour Film Project, Beirut Film Institute**

**Winner of 9 awards including Best Film (TOP 1) and Best Director**

**INTERNATIONAL: Yes We Cannes Global Film Contest**

**Winner for Best Film (TOP 1) among 100 international cities**

**Publically Screened at the Short Film Corner in Festival De Cannes 2024**