



# Kate Surinskaya

Director, UPM, 1st Assistant Director

Focused, reliable, hard-working professional with 8+ years of cross disciplinary experience in commercials, short and feature-length fiction films, and music videos worldwide.

## Contact

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Los Angeles, CA

## Education

2007-2012

**The Master of Economics**  
Tver State University, Russia

2014-2016

**Acting Conservatory**  
Hagen Berghof Studio, NYC

## Skills

- Pitching, Project Development
- Budgeting, Scheduling
- Crew Hiring, Casting
- Negotiations, Crew and SAG Paperwork, Payroll
- Supervising Post-Production
- Marketing, Festival Strategy, Networking

## Languages

English

Russian

## References

Producer, Aldamisa Entertainment

Sergei Bepalov

Email: sbespalov@aldamisa.com

Producer, SIA films

Robert Rippberger

Email: robert@siefilms.com

## Experience

- **Writer , Director, Producer** 2021 - Present  
**Onward & Upward | Los Angeles**  
*Created story, wrote scripts, produced, directed, and acted in lead or supporting roles*
  - Award-Winning coming-of-age drama short *Parallels* (2022), [30 min, shot in Russia]

Officially selected in 25 Film Festivals Worldwide. Some Awards include Best Short, Best Screenplay, Best Director, Best Cinematography.  
**Full list of awards on [www.iamkatemediacom.net/myfilms](http://www.iamkatemediacom.net/myfilms)**

  - Drama short *Tea* (2023), [5 min]

Officially selected at Dam Short FF, Idyllwild FF, Hollywood Reel FF.  
Nominated for Best Screenplay, Best Director, Best Score, Best Cinematography. **Awards: [www.iamkatemediacom.net/myfilms](http://www.iamkatemediacom.net/myfilms)**

  - Action Dramey short *Family Ties* (2023), [9 min]
  - Thriller short *Doppelgänger* (2024), [7 min]
  - Drama short *Strangers* (2024), [9min]
- **Unit Production Manager/Prod. Supervisor** 2020 - Present  
**Highlights | Los Angeles**  
*Budgeting and scheduling, permits, crew hire, casting, catering, trailers, cast & crew logistics*
  - Alkermes National Broadcast/ Informercial for internal use
  - Dared My LLC/ Feature Film *Reality Games*
  - Hulu/ Last Station Inc./ Feature Film *Menorah In The Middle* starring Sarah Silverman and Lucy DeVito
  - Goodness Filmworks Inc./ Short film *Marvin*, starring Ella Joice and Tony Todd
  - Warner Records/Music Video of Teddy Swims
  - Vitascope Arts/ Pilot and Ep.2 Series *Limited Edition*
  - Vitascope Arts/ National Commercial *Inside*
  - Vitascope Arts/ Commercial for *Emser*
  - Vitascope Arts/ Commercial for *Liquid I.V.*
- **1st Assistant Director** 2015 - Present  
**Highlights | Los Angeles & New York City**  
*Worked with Producers and Director, ensured safety of crew and cast and being on schedule*
  - Star Audiovisual Media Inc. / Vertical Feature *Fated Love*
  - Star Audiovisual Media Inc. / Vertical Feature *Mr. Walker*
  - Surge of Power Enterprises/ Feature Film *Surge of Power: Where There is Smoke*
  - Rush Hour Productions Inc./ Short Film *The Gambler*
  - Rush Hour Productions Inc./ Short Film *Year of the Rat*
  - Rush Hour Productions Inc./ Music Video of MKX *It Won't Load*
  - L'Orange Films/ Short Film *Live or Die, Bambi*
  - L'Orange Films/ Music Video *Woman in Red Cape*
  - Sanctuary Content/ Short Film (Starring Justin H. Min) *Very Still, Very Quiet*
- **Production Coordinator** 2020 - Present  
**Highlights | Los Angeles/Variou**  
*Assisted Line Producer, Assistant Director, and The Director on set*
  - Zayed International Airport, Abu Dhabi, UAE/ Commercial (dir. Mark A Ritchie)
  - Southpaw Productions Inc./ Feature Film *Renaissance by Beyonce*
  - All in Films/ Feature Film *The Italians*, starring Abigail Breslin
  - Lionsgate/ Howling Pack/ Feature Film *The Amityville Moon*
  - Lionsgate/ Howling Pack/ Feature Film *The Amityville Rising*
  - Lionsgate/ Howling Pack/ Feature Film *Salem Chronicles*