

SELECTED WORK

FREAK FARM

(experimental film) writer/director, HD, 3 min, 2026, out to festivals

SISTER/BROTHER

(feature film) writer/director, HD, 70 min, 2026, in post

APOLOGY GHOST

(short film) writer/director, HD, 5 min, 2025, out to festivals

GRIEF STICK

(short documentary) director/editor, HD, 18 min, 2025, out to festivals

MICROAGGRESSIONS, 2 seasons

(webseries, 6 episodes) writer/director/producer, HD, 35 min, 2019 + 2023, released

MAN OF LA MANSION

(webseries, 8 episodes) writer/director, still photos, 35 min, 2022, released

THE BLACK SEA

(feature film) writer/director/producer, Super 16mm, 75 min, 2015, released

FESTIVALS & RECOGNITION

McMinnville FF 2026, Nominee, Best Experimental Film, Apology Ghost
 McMinnville Short FF 2026, Official Selection, Apology Ghost
 VastLab Experimental 2026, Official Selection, How Do You Move in World
 Defy Film Festival 2025, Official Selection, Apology Ghost
 Oregon Documentary Film Festival 2025, Best Film nominee, Grief Stick
 Dances With Films 2023, Official Selection, Microaggressions S2
 NYC Webfest 2021, Best Original Concept, Man of La Mansion NYC Webfest
 2021, Best Vocal Performance, Man of La Mansion Local Sightings 2021,
 Official Selection, Man of La Mansion
 Stareable Film Festival 2021, Official Selection, Man of La Mansion NYC
 Webfest 2019 Official Selection, Microaggressions
 NYC Webfest 2019 Best Webseries Nominee, Microaggressions NYC
 Webfest 2019 Best Sound Winner, Microaggressions
 SoCal Film Festival 2016 Official Selection, The Black Sea
 Boise Film Festival 2016, Official Selection, The Black Sea
 Portland Film Festival 2015 Official Selection, The Black Sea
 Seattle True Independent Film Festival 2015, Best Film Nominee, The Black Sea
 Columbia Gorge Film Festival 2015, Best Local Film, The Black Sea
 Portland Film Festival 2014, Panelist "Independent Filmmaking/Screenwriting"

GRANTS + FELLOWSHIPS

Stowe Story Labs, Final Draft Fellowship, August 2022
 Make | Learn | Build grant, Regional Arts + Culture Council, May 2021
 Project Grant, Regional Arts + Culture Council, June 2018
 Sundance Development Lab, Semi-Finalist 2018
 Stowe Story Labs, Screenwriting Fellow, September 2016
 Opportunity Grant, Regional Arts + Culture Council, September 2026
 Stowe Story Labs, Screenwriting Fellow, Stowe VT, Spring 2014
 Project Grant in Media Arts, Regional Arts + Culture Council, 2013
 Project Grant, Regional Arts + Culture Council, 2012

PHOTOGRAPHY

The Sun Magazine, Chapel Hill, NC, photo in November 2025 issue
 Praxis Gallery, Minneapolis MN, September 2024, collective gallery show
 Hoffman Center for the Arts, Manzanita OR, April 2024, solo gallery show
 Oregon Humanities Magazine, photo in Spring 2024 issue

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EDUCATION

MFA Screenwriting

American Film Institute

Los Angeles, CA

BA, Theater Arts & Film

Humboldt State University

Arcata, CA

ASSORTED FORMATIVE JOBS

- Screenwriter's Assistant for Barbara Turner, Hollywood CA
- Mailroom Tech at Castle Rock Entertainment, Beverly Hills, CA
- Materials Coordinator at Motion Syndicate, Santa Monica, CA
- Runner at Trailer Park production company, Hollywood, Ca
- Production Assistant at Termite Art Productions, Studio City, CA
- Tent Technician at Hollywood TentWorks, Van Nuys, CA
- Studio Camera Operator at KIEM-TV, Eureka, CA
- Projectionist at Broadway Cinema 8, Eureka, CA
- Clerk at Video Wizard, Arcata CA