

## **Hyphen team bios**

### **Gabriela Warrior Renaud, Hyphen Director**

Gabriela Warrior Renaud is an independent documentary filmmaker, a communicator, and a social and climate justice activist. She strongly believes in the power of thoughtful and critical storytelling in our collective fight for equity. As a queer, mixed-race woman of colour, Gabriela understands the importance of intersectional representation and strives to hold these spaces in her work. She is fascinated by the diasporic connections to our roots, our lands and to each other, and seeks to create work that humanizes the difficult and overlooked. She approaches each project with tenderness and care and keeps her heart open to learning.

Her current documentary project Hyphen was born out of her own desire to feel whole within a fragmented identity. Building a narrative around mixed-race experiences, Gabriela was able to find the grounding she was seeking, and is humbly reclaiming her South Indian heritage.

Gabriela has a Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies with a specialization in film production from Concordia University. Her work has been shown on CBC, TVO, and film festivals across Canada, and has won awards for Best Local Film and Best Experimental Film. Gabriela is a climate communicator by profession, currently working with Farmers for Climate Solutions, a farmer-led coalition working to make agriculture part of the solution to climate change. She lives, works and plays on the traditional, unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg People and is an active member of Ottawa's artistic community, working to make our spaces inclusive and sustainable.

### **Jared Epp, Hyphen Composer**

Jared is a community-based arts facilitator, artist and musician based in Edmonton, Alberta. Jared is a PhD candidate and contract professor in anthropology at Carleton University. His research focuses on the intersection of mental health, creativity and socio-economic precarity.