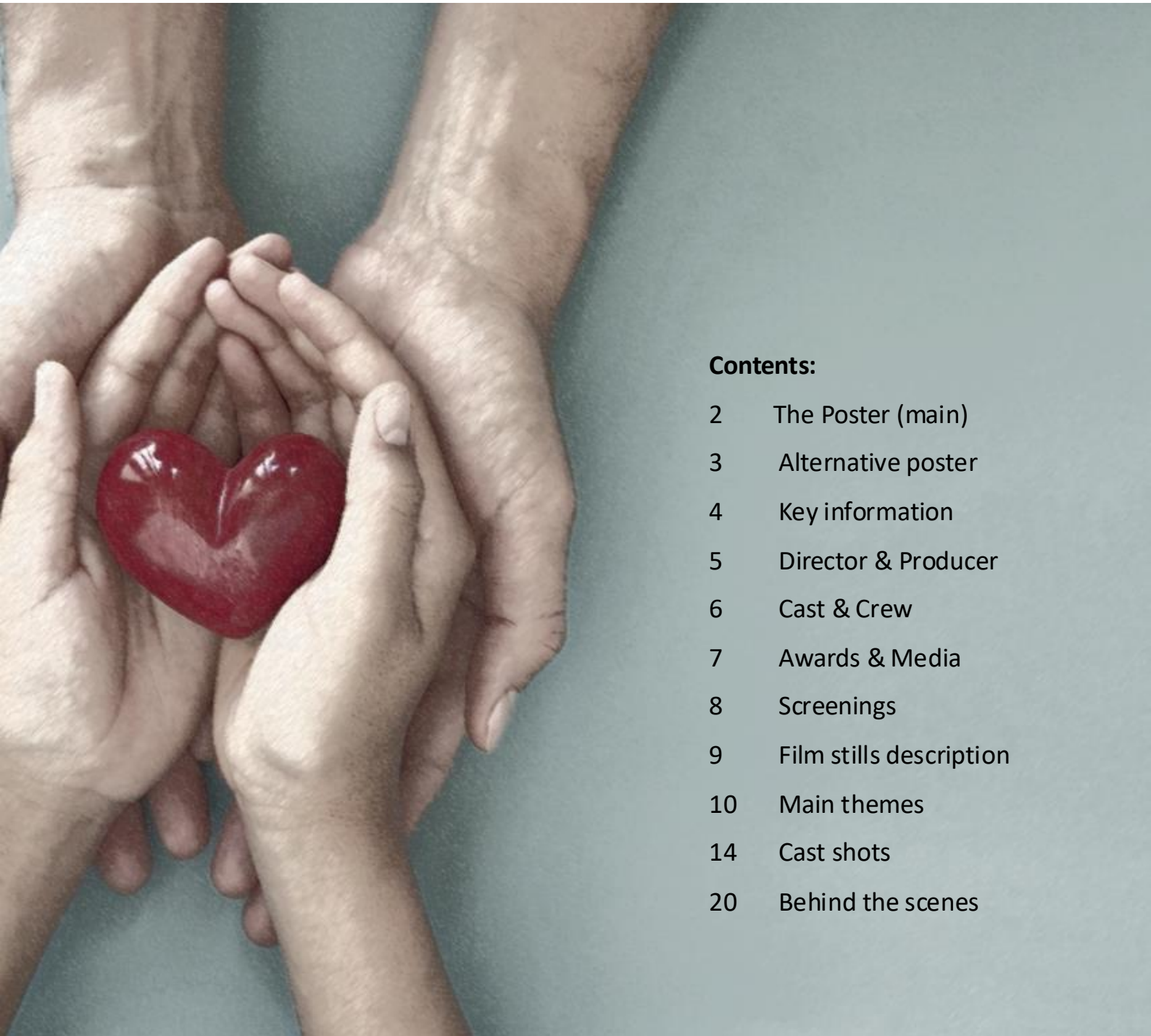


Say My Name

A SHORT FILM BY RHOYCE NOVA AND MEL BAKER



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LIVING EXPRESSIONS™ FILMS PRESENTS "SAY MY NAME"

STARRING QUINN, JAMES RYAN, JARRAH WEBSTER, WINNIE GRIGG, KATE OLIVIA,
TARNI SNEDDON, DARRELL JONES, JOHN STERICKER AND NUNO FILIPE

EDITED BY AGNES PEEL-McGREGOR

SOUND DESIGN BY MARK PARRY

DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY ZACHARY PEEL-McGREGOR

MUSIC BY QUINN

WRITTEN AND PRODUCED BY MEL BAKER

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY RHOYCE NOVA

BASED ON A TRUE STORY SLEEPING UNDER THE BRIDGE BY MEL BAKER



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LOGLINE AND SYNOPSIS

A violated girl is trapped in an underworld of shame. As a child, she was exploited by her father and his friends, and then thrown to the streets as a vulnerable teenager. Despite life going against Mel at every turn, she is determined to see the good in people and find hope before her past catches up with her.

Will she be able to find herself before it is too late?



Short Film Specifications

Year finished: 2023

Shooting format: digital

Aspect ratio: 1.66:1

Audio format: Stereo

Length: 13:23

Themes: drama, narrative, gritty, poetic

Location: Sydney, Australia

Australian classification: M

Links

Trailer: https://youtu.be/udLD6_lxudg

Film: <https://vimeo.com/livingwellmel/saymyname>

IMDb: <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt27704500/>

Official websites:

<https://www.livingexpressions.com.au/film/>

<https://filmfreeway.com/SayMyNameAU>



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THE DIRECTOR AND CO-WRITER

Rhoyce Nova



As an empathic provocateur, I bring an ardent and edgy perspective to storytelling, drawing on intense themes and raw emotions to captivate and challenge audiences. I create films that dare audiences to think deeply and feel intensely by combining empathy and compassion with a willingness to push boundaries, explore taboo subjects and inspire change. My films are bold, thought-provoking, and unapologetically authentic.

“Telling the untold in word and film”

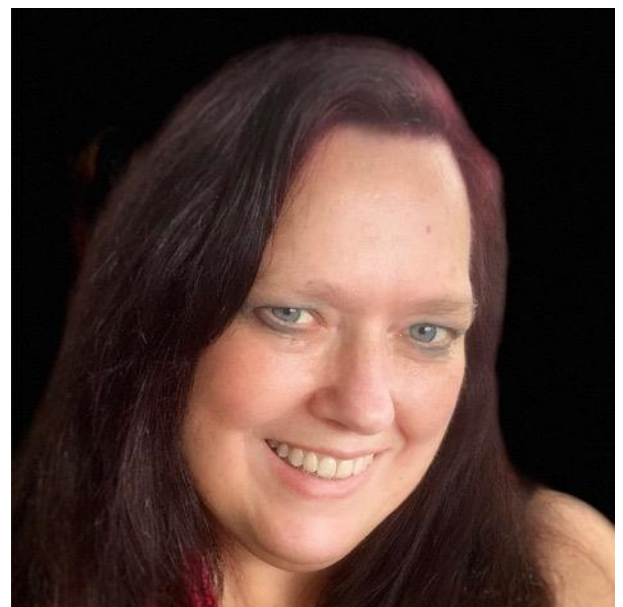


Dr Mel Baker

THE PRODUCER AND CO-WRITER

From a young age my artistic flare came out in my writing and acting. I wrote my first book at age 9, and played the lead role as a male in a Shakespeare play at age 11. I became an international speaker from age 18, and have spoken in 52 countries to inspire hope and transformation into people's lives. I have written and published 5 non-fiction books, produced 2 podcast shows, and was lead cast and Associate Producer in The Healing documentary (2022). Say My Name is the first film I have solely produced.

“Impacting lives towards hope”



The Team – CAST AND CREW

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Director & Co-writer
Producer & Co-writer
Director of Photography
Lead Actress & Composer

Rhoyce Nova
Mel Baker
Zachary Peel-McGregor
Quinn

Mel
Liz
Father
Young Mel
Bill, Police, Thug
Thug
Phil
Business woman
Homeless veteran

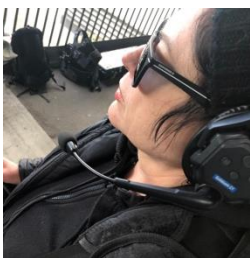
Quinn
Jarrah Webster
James Ryan
Winnie Grigg
John Stericker
Nuno Filipe
Darrell Jones
Tarni Sneddon
Kate Olivia

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B Camera Steadicam
1st Assistant Camera
2nd Assistant Camera
Gaffer
Art department
Make up
Props & Art
Runners

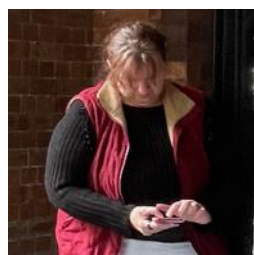
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Alex Mayo
Mitchell Tooley and Darren Mak
Bella Burton and Dillon Mak
Datu Bethke
Tarni Sneddon
Quinn (herself)
Mel Baker
William Adam, Darrell Jones,
Kate Olivia, Andrew Dennison

Editors
Colourist
Sound Design
Sound Engineer

Agnes Peel-McGregor and Mark Parry
Marcus Timpson
Mark Parry
Matt Stewart of A Sharp Studios



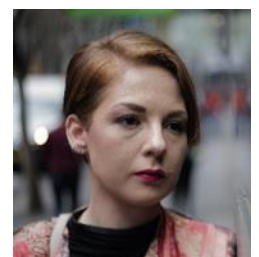
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Awards

Say My Name had a successful film festival run for 18 months, winning 94 international film awards. A summary of the awards are below. For more details see the official website.

Wins around the world:

[Australia](#) (Melbourne and Sydney) | [USA](#) (Atlanta, Chicago, Colorado, Delaware, Los Angeles, New York, Salt Lake City, West Dallas, Las Vegas) | [UK and Europe](#) (London, France, Greece, Italy, Lithuania, Netherlands, Sweden, Turkey) | [Asia](#) (Dubai, India, Thailand)

Film Awards:

Best Short Film (10), Best Narrative Film (10), Best Australian Film (1), Best Drama Film (4), Best Inspirational Film (1), Best Experimental Film (1), Best Social Impact Film (2), Best True Story (2), Best Women's Empowerment Film (3), Best Artistic and Poetic Film (5), Best Awareness Raising Film (2), People's Choice Award, Master of the Screen Award 2024, Creative Genius Award 2024, Best Cinematic Project of the Year 2024.

Cast and Crew Awards:

Best Filmmakers (6), Best Screenplay (5), Best Director (7), Best Producer (1), Best Indie Author of the Year 2024 (4), Best Cinematographer (4), Best Actress (2), Best Cast (2), Best Casting Director (3), Best Production Company (1), Best Poster (1), Best Trailer (1).

Media

Mel Baker – Indie Producer of the Year 2024 interview

<https://wildfilmmaker.com/mel-baker-exclusive-interview-indie-producer-of-the-year-2024/>

TMFF Review 2025 – Say My Name won Best Experimental Film

<https://tmff.net/reviews/say-my-name/>

Cult Critic Interview with Producer Mel Baker

<https://cultcritic.co/interview/interview-of-mel-baker>

One Film Fan Review by Kirk Fernwood

<https://onefilmfan.com/cpiff-2023-short-film-review-say-my-name/>

Press release – Say My Name wins 2 international film awards

<https://www.newsmaker.com.au/news/387858/say-my-name-2023-australian-short-film-wins-international-awards>

Press release about the book the film is based on

<https://www.newsmaker.com.au/news/385866/sleeping-under-the-bridge-a-powerful-true-story-where-despair-finds-hope>

Say My Name serves as a beacon of hope for many

Screenings

NAME	AWARD	EVENT
World Premiere 100 Films Retreat, LA	Nominee	October 2023
Europe Premiere Swedish Film Festival	Best Filmmaker	October 2023
Online Ticketed event worldwide KINO Studios (California) Short Film Slam (US)	Top 10 Top 12	December 2023 Dec-23 to Jan-24
Texas Premiere West Dallas Film Festival	People's Choice Award Best Drama & Best Actress	January 2024
Italian Premiere Robinson Film Awards	Best Screenplay	April 2024
Australian Premiere SydFest Independent	Awareness Award	June 2024



THE FILM stills

Feel free to screenshot any of the following film shots and use in your social media feeds.

Include in post:

- Say My Name (2023)
- Short film
- Award winning film
- Based on a book *Sleeping Under the Bridge*
- This film is dedicated to all those who have walked similar paths (optional)
- Tag: @say.my.name.film

Main themes in film

- 9 teen homelessness / social justice / alone
- 10 background / childhood abuse / domestic violence / alcoholism
- 11 power of caring / veteran homelessness
- 12 connection to nature

Cast shots

- 13 Quinn
- 14 Quinn and Jarrah
- 15 James and Jarrah
- 16 Darrell and James
John as the cop
- 17 Quinn and Kate (more homelessness scenes)
Quinn, Tarni and John
- 18 John and Nuno

Behind the scenes

- 19 The Rocks
- 20 The stairwell and lunch
- 21 The city – Kate, Tarni, Bill, John
The wig fitting – Quinn
- 22 Balmain house
- 23 Kings Cross
- 24 Angel Place and Alex at Pyrmont bridges







The power in caring for one another

There is always a glimmer of hope





Our connection to nature plays a crucial role in surviving





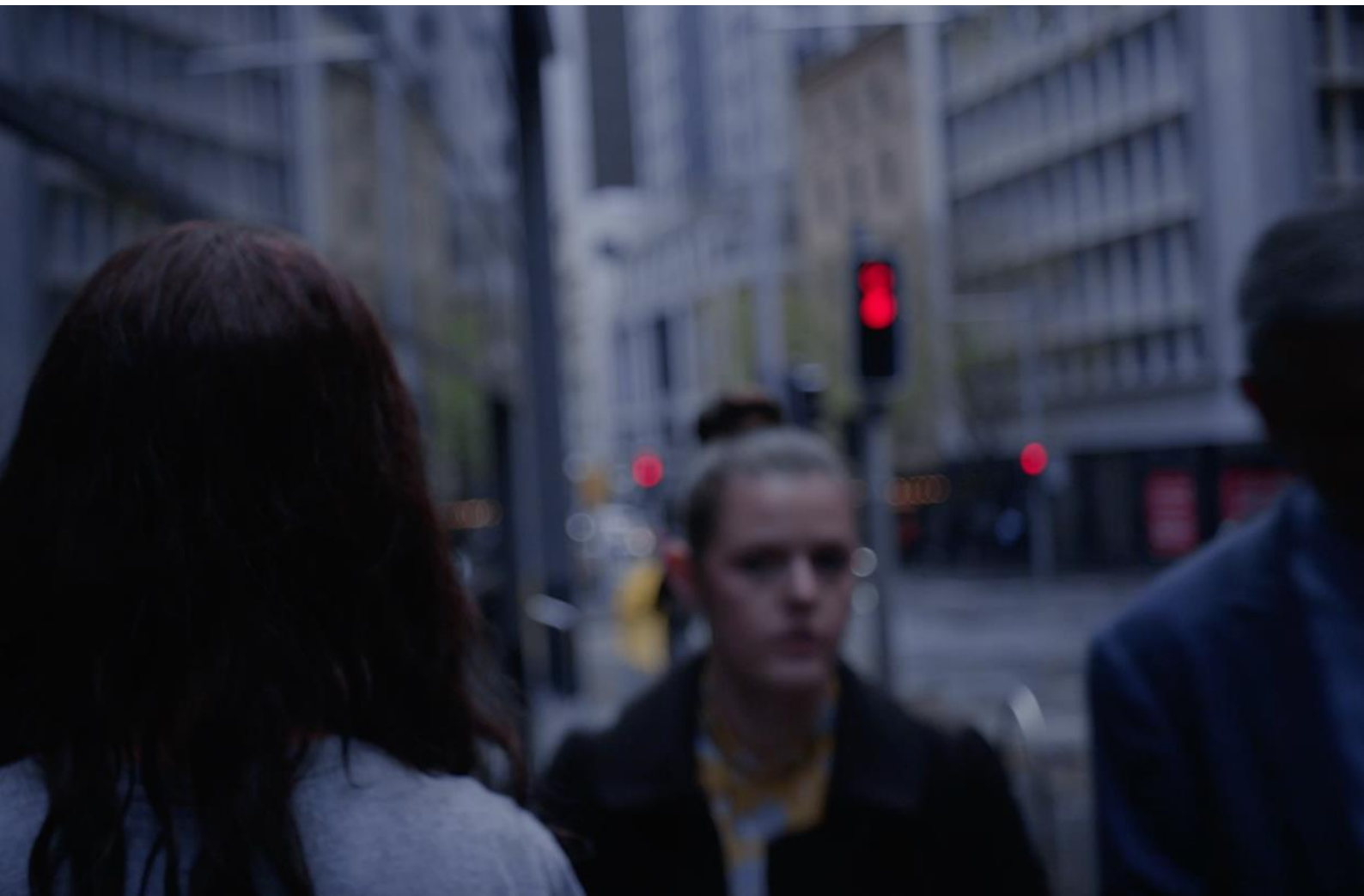


“hang in there my friend”



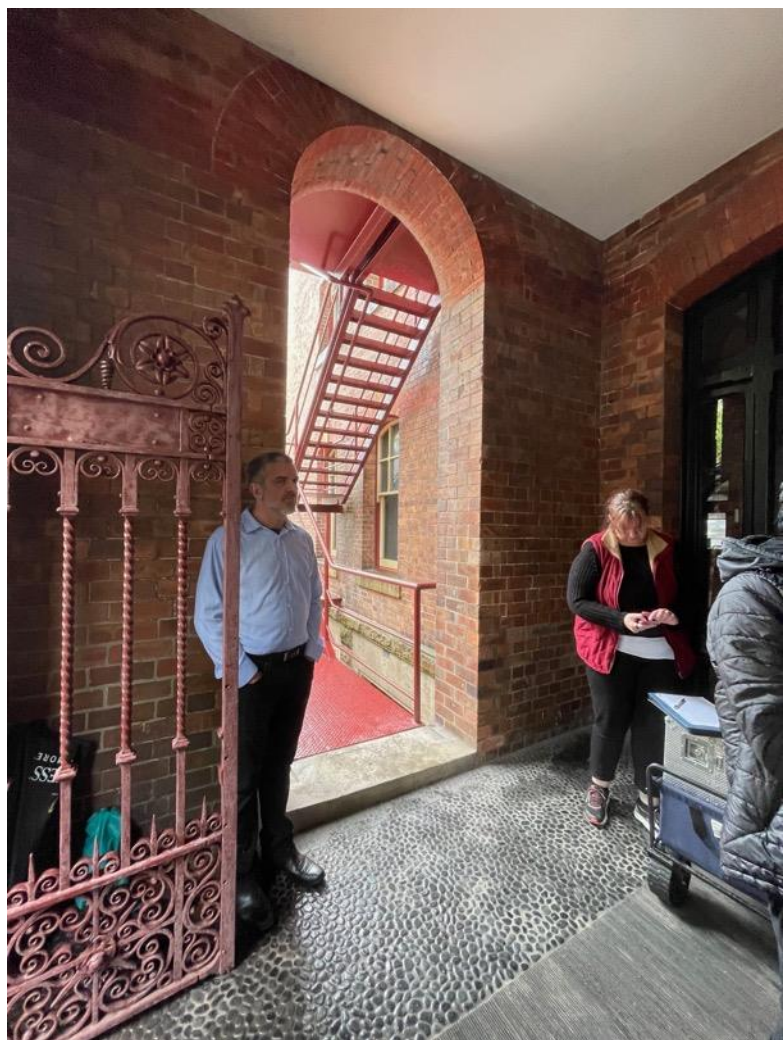






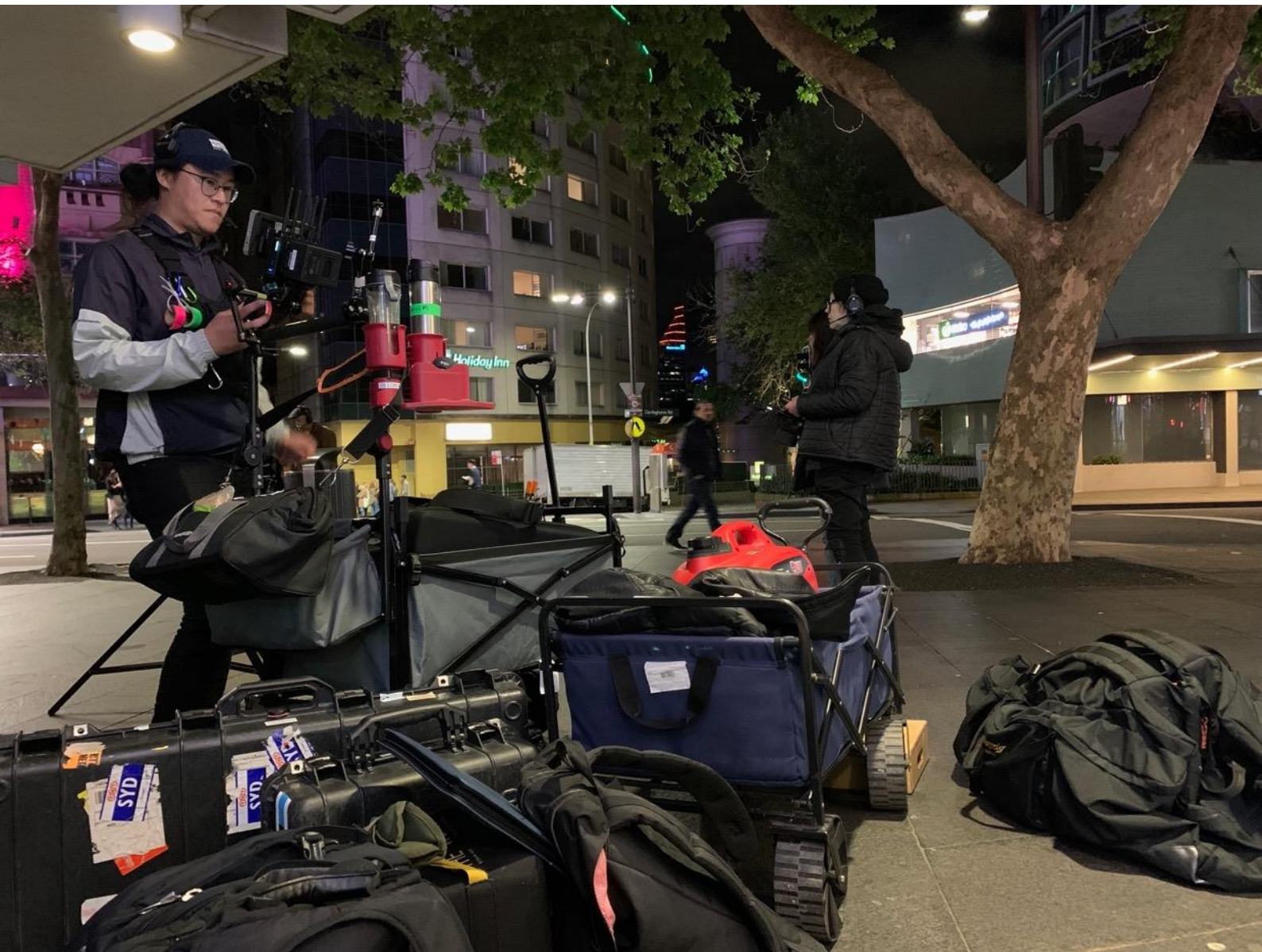
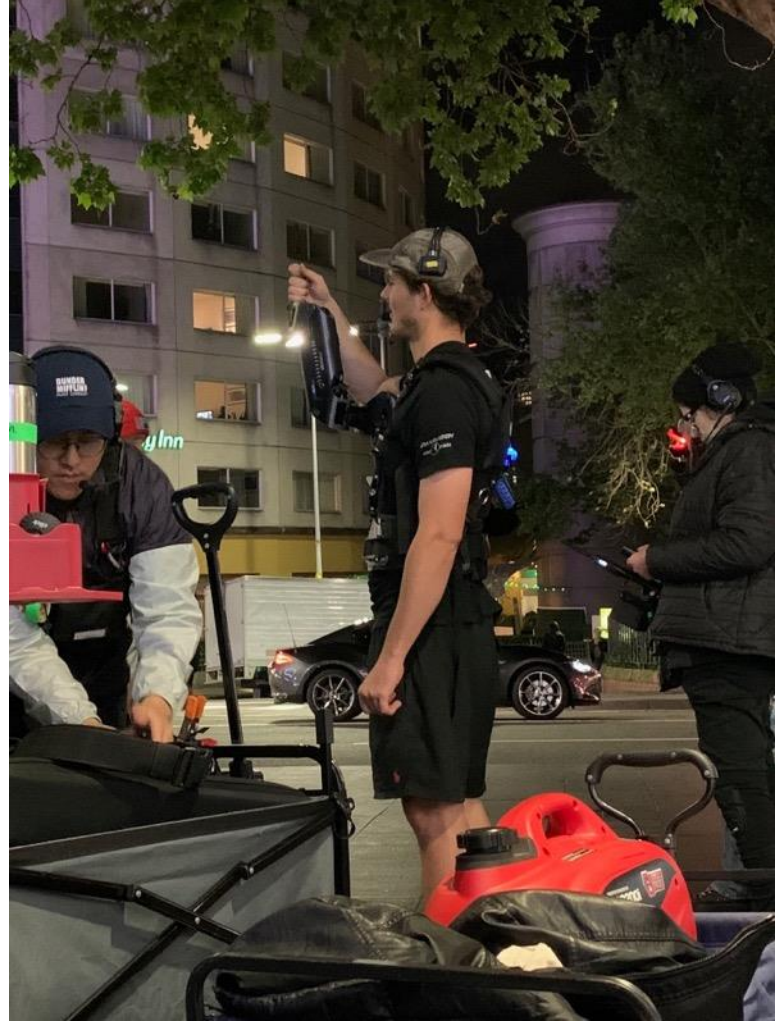






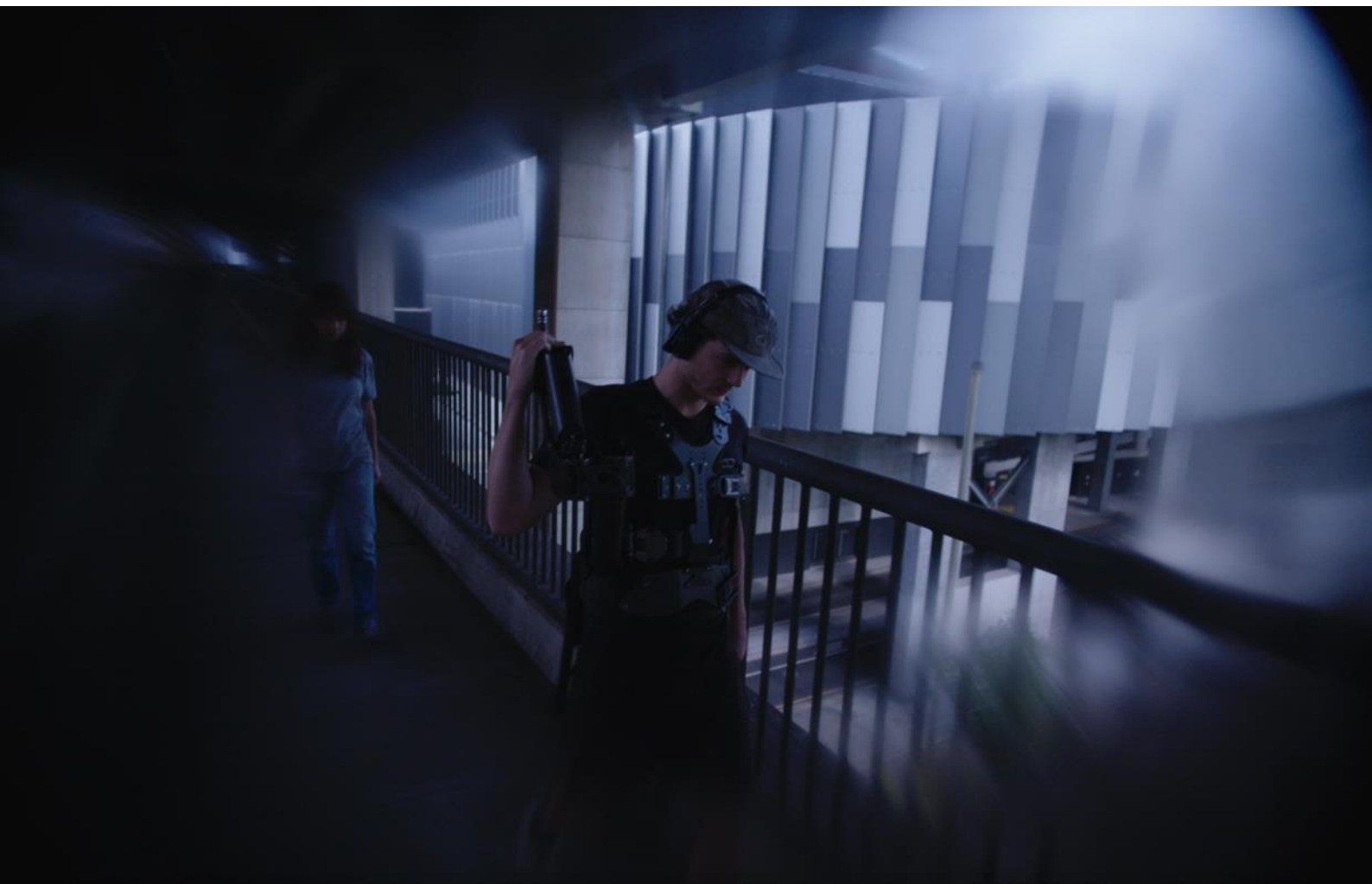








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