

NAMAKULA CREATIVE PRODUCER

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PROJECTS I LinkedIn

ABOUT:

Whether it be in the arts, talent or client management, production or post—I'm a consummate producer. I have collaborated with and serviced a wide range of clientele nationally and abroad. Confident working with those from all echelons of business, arts, entertainment, etc. I'm a go-getter, an inherent problem solver and true empath. I instill trust in my collaborators and clients and take great care in details and deadlines. My goal is to do excellent work with ethical, kind people, creating a joyful environment that elicits ease, confidence and success.

EXPERIENCE:

Freelance Creative Producer / Client Manager I 2015 - Present

- Collaborated and serviced a wide range of clientele within the US and Europe.
- · Confident working with those from all echelons of business, arts, entertainment, education, etc.
- Project types: branded and original content, art films, industrials, docs, live events, podcast episodes
- Have managed projects and clients ranging from shoestring budgets to multi-million dollar accounts, such as: Burger King, TD Ameritrade, PBS and Smirnoff.

Co-Executive Producer of original poetry narration series. The Feisty Beast I 2021 - Present

· Responsible for the vocal interpretation of the poems, engineering the studio recordings and contributing creative direction to the sound design and mix of the final work.

Producer I The Dyslexia Foundation I Will Baker Tribute Video I CT & New Mexico I July - Aug 2025

- · Integral part of the soup to nuts production, post planning and supervision of a tribute video memorializing the beloved founder of the TDF, William Baker, shot in Santa Fe, NM.
- · Active input in client briefings and creative meetings.
- · Liaison, scheduler and coordinator of the interview subjects for the video: neuroscientists and allies.
- · Maintained direct contact and supportive correspondence with the President of the Foundation, Dr. Ben Powers and the founder's family members, procuring personal footage and conveying cherished anecdotes to the editorial team to ensure an insightful and compassionate video edit.
- · Oversaw the quality control of the edits in order to maintain my high standards for the project and the expectations of the client.

Associate Producer (Contract) I QWest "music series One Night Stand" I REMOTE I Nov 2024

· Hired to work collaboratively with Creator / Director / Producer, Leslie Lyons fundraising for the forthcoming feature film based on her series, streaming on Quincy Jones' platform, QWest.

Video Editor I Various Companies I NYC, Boston, LA, Miami, London, Madrid I 2000 - 2022

- · Integral part of launching the NYC office of the London based editorial house, Final Cut. Supported London editors, Rick Russell (founder) and Kirk Baxter.
- Global Editor (in English and Spanish) of original content, docs, commercials, etc. for Fortune 500 companies and prestige brands, ie: Coca Cola, Hershey's, Smirnoff and The MoMA. Collaborated with renowned creatives at A-list ad agencies, such as: JWT, McCann, CPB and mcgarrybowen.

Head of Inclusion I Creative Producer (Contract) I Lovers Not Haters I Dec 2021 - Aug 2022

- Responsible for mining for the best and most qualified talent / vendors from an authentically diverse pool from strategy to pre-pro, to production to post.
- Creative contributor on pitch decks, casting, editorial decisions
- Was an integral team member in front facing client meetings and presentations for high profile companies such as *Google, Meta* and *Burger King*.

Producer / Location Manager / Shooter & Video Editor I No Chiefs I NYC & Pawling, NY I Feb 2022

- Staffed PAs for in-studio/NYC and on-location/upstate NY film shoot, "I Mother"
- Secured upstate home / property use, arranged overnight accommodations, booked caterers.
- · Managed vendors' and PA paperwork and oversaw payments.
- Shot and edited a BTS video used for promotional purposes.

VO Casting Producer (Freelance) I Achievers Club | REMOTE | 2019 - 2021

- For 3 consecutive years, performed casting / producer duties for promo videos for an annual sales convention, hosted by experiential agency, *Launch*, *Inc*.
- · Sourced and submitted VO talent to the agency, booked and supervised record sessions
- Managed talent paperwork, drafted contracts and supervised payments.

Freelance Producer / Casting / Shooter / Video Editor I PBS "American Portrait" | NYC | Oct - Nov 2019

- · Sourced / cast subjects of diverse ages and backgrounds
- Produced, shot and edited video segments for 2020 launch.

Artistic Producer / Shooter / Video Editor I Afro-Asian Futurism Photo Exhibit I NYC I Aug 2018

- Collaborated creatively with the photographer, produced guerrilla photoshoot: secured traditional Korean wardrobe (*Hanbok*), managed car rental, locations shoots, models and talent releases.
- · Shot BTS footage, edited promotional videos
- · Procured gallery, was on-site curator for the 10 day gallery exhibit
- Coordinated install and de-install of photography, programmed events, wrote all <u>PR copy</u> and managed SM promotion.

Producer / Casting Director | Proclamation Punctuation | NYC | 2016 - 2018

- · Co-managed casting sessions with the director on this award winning, fashion film short
- · Sourced and submitted the final selection of DP and principal actress
- Managed SM marketing / PR

Freelance Producer I Toy Pictures I NYC I May 2012

- Hired to produce a shoot of The Statue of Liberty for a tv commercial for Eastern European product/ client, **Jaffa**. Was the liaison between the **Kiev** and **NYC** based production companies. Managed logistics of travel and permissions for the shoot.
- Hired DP and assistant, scheduled prep scout and shoot day. Communicated directly with the director and set up communication with the DP. Coordinated and the overseas delivery of final files/footage and secured payment to all vendors. <u>Dir. George Jecel</u>

Producer | Casting Director | "The Groom" webseries | NYC | March 2011

- Produced and cast 2 episodes of this international series shot in: Shanghai, Madrid, London, Las Vegas, Beijing and NYC.
- Responsible for hirlng DPs, sound recordists and casting one of the male principals.
- Coordinated production meetings, shooting schedule and scouted locations. Dir. Álvaro Collar

NOTABLE WORK:

SAG-Aftra Member I NY Local Presidential Candidate I May - Sept 2023

Ran a formidable, 1st time campaign to unseat a long standing incumbent. Was a featured guest on The Jimmy Dore Show, endorsing my efforts.

Charity Work I Avenues For Justice I 2021

Mentor / Guest Speaker / Judge Guest Speaker for at risk youth high school production class. Invited to judge / host their 1st annual Film Awards Ceremony.

Charity Work I SAG-Aftra Book Pals I 2013 - 2015

Volunteer storybook reader at Elementary schools, ages K-10 for this union driven literacy initiative.

Charity Work I Focal Point Aid I April - July 2010

Worked with this charity that assists needy children globally such as; constructing schools for underprivileged children in South Africa and providing educational and recreational supplies to children in El Salvador. Organized a fundraising event in NYC to help raise money for the construction of a school in Coffee Bay, South Africa.

SKILLS & ASSETS:

Client management, Hospitality, Staff Recruiter, Multi-tasking, Analytical & Critical Thinking, Record Keeping & Documentation, Scheduling & Planning. *Writing*: Copywriting, Creative writing, Scripts, Treatments & Contracts, Directing, Teleprompter. Staff Vetting & Recruitment. *Google Workspace*: Drive, Docs, Forms, Calendar, Voice. Pages, *Microsoft Office*: Word, Outlook, One Note & Teams. *Social media*: Youtube, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram. *Technical Skills*: Wix Website Builder, *Video Conferencing*: Zoom, Google Meet, Skype, Facetime, WhatsApp. *Video Editing Software*: Avid Media Composer, Final Cut Pro 7.0, Premiere & inShot. *Smart Home systems*: Lutron and Crestron. *Audio Engineer*: Mixer, Sound Designer, DAW - Garage Band.

Languages: English & Conversational Spanish, Valid Driver license, U.S. Passport.

FUN THINGS:

Electric Bass Playing, Music Composition, Mentorship, Carpentry, Running, Cycling, Dancing, Nature time, Cooking, Researching, Traveling.

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