# YUSUF EMIRDAR

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## **EDUCATION**

# -USC SCHOOL OF CINEMATIC ARTS, Los Angeles, CA

Aug 2011-Aug 2014

M.F.A. in Film and Television Production

## -ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY, Istanbul, Turkey

Sep 2006-May 2010

B.A. in Film and Television & minor in Comparative Literature

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

## -BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY, Istanbul, Turkey

Jan 2019-present

#### Lecturer

Teaching the undergraduate course "FA49F: Making of a Film" that covers the entire process of a feature-film being produced from its birth as an idea until it ends up on a big screen.

## -BAHCESEHIR UNIVERSITY, Istanbul, Turkey

Sep 2016-Feb 2021

#### Lecturer

Instructed five undergraduate courses: "FTV4946: Directing for Comedy", "FTV2921: Camera and Lighting", "FTV2940: Screenwriting" "FTV2953: Documentary Filmmaking" and "VCD1112: Art, Society & Culture".

# -MARMARA UNIVERSITY, Istanbul, Turkey

Sep 2016-June 2017

#### Lecturei

Taught two undergraduate courses: "CTV307: Television Production" and "CTV212 Editing".

## -GHETTO FILM SCHOOL, Los Angeles, CA

Sep 2015-Jan 2016

#### Lecturer

Conducted a semester-long course at the school sponsored by 21st Century Fox on all the aspects of filmmaking in development, production and post-production.

# -MILK & HONEY FILMS, Los Angeles, CA

Nov 2014-July 2015

#### **Producer**

Worked under executives to land jobs for all the offices in LA, Buenos Aires, Prague, Cape Town, Beijing and Perth. Prepared budgets and presentations to bid on new projects, operated as a liaison between global commercial production companies and the ones within the US, coordinated local and global projects in production.

### -ATSWIM, Los Angeles, CA

Nov 2014-July 2015

#### Producer

Pursued new job acquisitions from ad agencies and clients, did research constantly to recruit new directors to represent, prepared and executed commercials both on and off set as a producer.

# -DIRTY ROBBER, Los Angeles, CA

Aug 2014-Nov 2014

## **Production Coordinator**

Worked on the Kobe Bryant Documentary "Muse" for Showtime. Assisted the senior and line producer with organizing production on a daily basis, coordinated filming in Italy, Philladelphia, Los Angeles and New York City.

## -THE CENTER FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT, Los Angeles, CA

Jan 2013-Aug 2014

### Researcher

Worked on the development of a TV-series with Lucia Cottone and Goli Ameri to be broadcasted by MBC in the Middle East. Managed heavy scheduling and traveling for executives, bridged local and global writers, producers and academicians to frame the original content.

### -BBC WORLDWIDE, Beverly Hills, CA

Jan 2014-May 2014

#### **Development Intern**

Worked closely with the producers on researching for shows in development, attended executive meetings, covered a high number of books and scripts for consideration and assisted with all kinds of office tasks as needed.

# -KARGA SEVEN PICTURES, Los Angeles, CA

Jan 2014-May 2014

#### **Production Intern**

Did intensive research for non-scripted shows in development and post-production, organized all the servers containing releases, schedules, budgets and all sorts of production grids. Gained set experience as a PA on series such as "Alien Encounters".

## -USC SCHOOL OF CINEMATIC ARTS, Los Angeles, CA

Aug 2012-Aug 2014

#### Post-Production Lab Technician / Editing Tutor

Provided both technical and administrative support at the post-production labs. Conducted a high number of workshops on Avid, Adobe Premiere and After Effects.

## **SKILLS**

- -Languages: Bilingual in Turkish and English. Working proficiency in Italian, French and Greek.
- -Office: Microsoft Office, Apple Keynote, Google Docs & Slides
- -Pre-Production: Advanced in Final Draft Screenwriting and EP MM Budgeting & Scheduling
- -Production: Canon DSLRs, ARRI Alexa, BlackMagic, Panasonic RED, Sony A7, F5 & F65
- -Post-Production: Avid, Final Cut Pro, Adobe Premiere, Adobe After Effects
- -Acting: Lesly Kahn's Comedy Intensive Workshop, 2015

# **SELECTED PROJECTS**

**HILIGHT TRIBE - "SHANKARA",** Music Video – Director, 2019

https://youtu.be/nbfvIFMgj\_4

RAYBAN, Commercial – Director, 2018

https://www.emirdar.com/?wix-vod-video

**VANS,** Commercial – Producer, 2016

https://vimeo.com/199986996

**BACARDI,** Commercial – Producer, 2015 Production Company: Milk & Honey Films

https://youtu.be/6ga3H\_YjsGs

KOBE BRYANT'S "MUSE" Documentary – Production Coordinator, 2015

Production Company: Dirty Robber

Network: Showtime

https://youtu.be/98wR6-r2bbl

PHARRELL WILLIAMS - "HAPPY", Music Video - Production Assistant, 2014

Production Company: Iconoclast <a href="https://youtu.be/y6Sxv-sUYtM">https://youtu.be/y6Sxv-sUYtM</a>

THE DØ – "MIRACLES", Music Video – Production Coordinator, 2014

Production Company: Iconoclast <a href="https://youtu.be/-XFkXWc8xms">https://youtu.be/-XFkXWc8xms</a>