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**Cinematographer / Editor / Producer / Director**

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**Education**

- Masters of Arts (Distinction) in Film and Television Production at Cambridge School of Art / Anglia Ruskin University (UK), 2012 (Dissertation Title: Challenges Faced by Film Producers in a Bi-communal setting)
- 3D Cinema and Stereoscopy by the EU Media Desk (Cyprus 2011)
- "Safeguarding Trust", by the BBC (Cyprus 2008)
- Technical course on FCP, Quicklink and V-point, by the BBC (Cyprus 2008).
- Hostile Environment Training, by AKE (UK, 2003)
- AVID Digital Editing, by Reuters (Kenya, 1996)
- HnD in Graphic Art and Advertising Design at the Frederick Polytechnic (Cyprus, 1988)
- Electrician's certificate at KTEE College (Cyprus, 1986)

**Work Experience**

**2003 - Present**

Producer, Director, Cinematographer and editor at Crewhouse Media Ltd, working on a variety of client based projects, ranging from features, to documentaries and short fiction films (see Filmography). Was the project manager for a 4-year contract (September 2009 – September 2013) on film productions for the United Nations Development Programme. Has worked in Cyprus, Greece, Albania, Lebanon, Israel, Malta for the BBC, ARD, Bloomberg, RTL4, RTL, AP and others. His is currently the Artistic Director and head of workshop training at the Cyprus Film Days Festival – Youth and Kids.

**1999 – 2003**

Cameraman and editor in Jerusalem Bureau for RTL4 Holland and RTL Germany. Worked on all major news stories of the region covering breaking news and feature stories in Israel, the West Bank and Gaza, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, Kosovo and Turkey, Main stories covered are the Intifada, Kosovo war, Israel-Palestine peace talks, Iraq War. Director of Photography on the documentary "**Survivors of the Holocaust**" for RTL5.

**1998**

Freelance cameraman and editor based in Melbourne, Australia. During this period, worked as a cameraman on the Today Show for Channel-9 and was the Director of Photography on the short 16mm film "**Addictions**". Additionally worked as a trainer/volunteer on youth community films.

**1994-1998**

Bureau Chief, cameraman and editor for Vanguard Television News based in Nairobi, Kenya. Responsible for daily operations of the bureau and providing crews and equipment to clients. Worked on major news stories of the region as a cameraman/editor covering breaking news and feature stories in Rwanda, Burundi, Tanzania, Sudan, Zaire, Somalia, Zimbabwe, Uganda and Kenya for the BBC, Swiss TV, ABC News, ZDF and ARD Germany, CBC Canada (Best foreign story award 1996), WTN and others and as a Director of Photography on various documentaries (see Filmography).

**1993 -1994**

Cameraman and editor for ABC News (USA) and ITN (UK) in Vitez and Sarajevo, former Yugoslavia and Lebanon.

**1992-1993**

Photographer and owner of photographic studio in Cyprus, working on advertising, architecture and fashion photography on 35mm, 6x6 and 4x5 film. Freelance Director of Photography on television commercials.

**1991-1992**

Director of Photography for Television commercials and head of photographic department at Lumiere Studios, Cyprus.

**1989-1991**

Studio Photographer and Black and White film and print processing at Fotocine Studios, Cyprus. Assistant on TV commercial productions for AVS studios, sister company of Fotocine.

## Teaching Experience

- “Broadcast Journalism” for Thomson Foundation / EU (Ukraine, 2016 - 2017)
- “Documentary making” for Thomson Foundation / EU (Ukraine, 2016)
- “Filming and editing” for Marcus Evans in-house personnel (2015-2016)
- Workshop leader – Youth Section – Cyprus Film Days (2015)
- “Ethics and morality of the shot” and “interactive teaching” Erasmus training courses for EU participants, BIOS Center (Cyprus, 2014, 2015)
- “Talking to the camera”, AVS (Cyprus, 2014)
- Final Cut Pro editing training for Post Graduates at Cambridge School of Art (UK, 2012)
- Post-production/editing workshop at DOCYouth Camp, in association with the USC School of Cinematic Arts, (Cyprus, 2012)
- Film workshop leader and trainer for the “International Children’s Film Festival of Cyprus” (Cyprus 2007 -2012)
- Eastern European journalists training with the Thomson Foundation for the EU “Neighborhood Policy”, (Cyprus, 2011)
- Final Cut Pro Editing teachers workshop trainer for the Ministry of Education (Cyprus 2009)
- Film Workshop trainer for High School children under the auspices of the Ministry of Education (Cyprus 2007 - 2009)
- “Peer Journalist Program” training with the Thomson Foundation for UNDP (Cyprus 2007, 2008)
- Middle Eastern journalists training with the Thomson Foundation for the EU “Neighborhood Policy”. (Cyprus, Egypt, Turkey, 2007)
- Video filming and editing for High School children at Phaneromi School, (Cyprus, 2006, 2007)
- News camera and editing techniques at Gaza Media Center, (Gaza, 1999)
- Trainer for community youth film workshops (Australia, 1998)
- Photography at the International School of Cyprus, (1992-1994)

## Print and Online Credits

- Featured photographer in the 50<sup>th</sup> edition of “Anev” cultural magazine.
- Founder and editor of [www.tvcameramen.com](http://www.tvcameramen.com), an online magazine for professional camera people (1999-2006).  
Writer for over 300 articles on equipment reviews, industry news and tutorials.
- Contributing writer in the educational book “Roll! Shooting TV News” published by Focal Press, (USA, 2007).
- Freelance writer for “Automarket” magazine and Cyprus Mail daily newspaper (Cyprus, 2005, 2008).
- Short story published in the book “Something to write home about” published by Jacana, (South Africa, 2004).
- Articles and photographs published in Zerb Camera Operators magazine, (UK, 2000-2002).

## Professional Memberships

- Member of the **European Documentary Network**
- Member of the **Directors Guild of Cyprus**
- Founder Member of the **Cyprus Foreign Press Association**
- Board Member of the **International Children’s Film Festival of Cyprus**

References, testimonials and show reel upon request

## FILMOGRAPHY

### Producer Credits (documentaries)

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>PRODUCED FOR</u>	<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
AHDR	OSCE	Cyprus	2016
Looks Like Home	Hromadske / Thomson	Ukraine	2016
Taste of Famagusta	Renewal Project	Cyprus	2015
On a Journey with Woyzeck	Crewhouse Media / Roiter	Cyprus	2015
Prohibition of Chemical Weapons	UN-OPCW	Cyprus	2014
Cyprus – What If	Chamber of Commerce	Cyprus	2013
Nine News in 2030	Chamber of Commerce	Cyprus	2011
Sustainable Development	CY2015/UNDP	Cyprus	2011
Hopes and Fears	CY2015/UNDP	Cyprus	2011
Hamam Awakening	UNDP	Cyprus	2010
Voices of Tomorrow	UNDP/USaid	Cyprus	2009
Reflections from the outside	Crewhouse	Cyprus/Germany	2007
Long Drive Home	Dialogue Films	Cyprus/Iran	2005

### Director Credits

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>PRODUCED BY</u>	<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Family Reunification	UNHCR	Cyprus	2016
Icaria – The Long Life Island	Business Insider	USA	2015
Out of Sight (Short Fiction Film) <i>Best Film at the IFFCY festival, 2015</i>	Crewhouse/Blunatic	Cyprus	2015
Kontea Esti: Awakened (documentary)	KHF/Crewhouse	Cyprus	2015
The Power of One (documentary)	UNDP	Cyprus	2013
Kontea Esti (documentary)	KHF/Crewhouse	Cyprus	2013
Perspective (Public Service Announcement)	AHDR/UNDP	Cyprus	2010
Says Who (Public Service Announcement)	AHDR/UNDP	Cyprus	2010
Buyuk Hamam (Public Service Announcement)	UNDP	Cyprus	2010
Together with nature (documentary)	UNDP/USAID	Cyprus	2007
The Heritage of Kontea (short documentary)	Crewhouse Media,	Cyprus	2006

## Director of Photography Credits (Short Films)

<b><u>TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>PRODUCED BY</u></b>	<b><u>COUNTRY</u></b>	<b><u>YEAR</u></b>
Out of Sight <i>Best Film at the IFFCY festival, 2015</i>	Crewhouse/Blunatic	Cyprus	2015
Afterthoughts <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Best Film at the IFFCY festival, 2014</i>	Crewhouse/Blunatic	Cyprus	2014
Rustlers	Actors at Work	UK	2012
Silver Spoon	Malkmus Films	UK/USA	2012
Addictions	Smith Films	Australia	1999

## Director of Photography Credits (Documentaries)

<b><u>TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>PRODUCED BY</u></b>	<b><u>Filming Location</u></b>	<b><u>YEAR</u></b>
Icaria – The Long Life Island	Business Insider	Greece	2015
Valentinos – Art of ceramics	BoC Culture Center	Cyprus	2015
Kontea Esti	KHF/Crewhouse	Cyprus	2013
Another Country	Left Hand Films (South Africa)	UK	2012
Runes: Letters of a divine script	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Sweden/Iceland/Denmark	2012
Nine News in 2030	Chamber of Commerce	Cyprus	2011
Global Underwater Explores	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Egypt/Tunisia/Sweden	2009
Red Sea Explorers	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Egypt	2008
Inside the Great Pyramid	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Egypt	2007
The sacred truth	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Egypt	2005
Training Across Borders with Aikido	Palmer Media (USA)	Cyprus	2005
Earth Report	BBC (UK)	Germany/France/Italy	2005
Free diving	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Egypt	2004
<i>My Abyss Best Film, Golden Dolphin Underwater Film Festival, Moscow</i>	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Egypt	2003
The Empty Tomb	HWLL Media Group (USA)	Egypt	2003
War Women	BBC	Cyprus	2003
Survivors of the Holocaust	RTL5 (Holland)	Israel	2001
Travel diaries	Mnet Channel (South Africa)	Kenya/Tanzania/Uganda	1997
Beats of the Season	Mnet Channel (South Africa)	Kenya	1997
Jimmy Carter	Carter Foundation (USA)	Ethiopia/Rwanda/Kenya	1996
Museveni – the President	DRS (Swiss)	Uganda	1996
The Leakey Brothers	CH-9 Australia	Kenya	1995
The Day of the African Child	UNICEF	Sudan	1995
The genocide and the church	BRT (Belgium)	Rwanda	1994
20 years since the invasion	BBC (UK)	Cyprus	1994

## Director of Photography Credits (Promotional/advertising/music clips)

<b><u>TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>PRODUCED BY</u></b>	<b><u>Filming Location</u></b>	<b><u>YEAR</u></b>
Cyprus industry	European Bank (EBRD)	Cyprus	2016
Women in Egypt	European Bank (EBRD)	Egypt	2016
Limassol Marina	Google	Cyprus	2015
Albania Banking	European Bank (EBRD)	Albania	2014
"84" music video clip	Write this Down (UK)	Cyprus	2014
Armageddon music video clip	Crewhouse	Cyprus	2014
UEFA City portraits	UEFA	Cyprus	2009
Cyprus Women's Cup	Cyprus Tourism Organization	Cyprus	2009
Bank of Cyprus	T20 Productions (UK)	Cyprus	2008
Quit Coal Campaign	Greenpeace	Italy	2007
De-mining the Buffer zone	EU	Cyprus	2004
Cyprus - a trade destination	Cyprus Ministry of Trade	Cyprus	2004
Tortilla Chips	Lumiere Services (Cyprus)	Cyprus	1992
Gevorest <i>Finalist, London TV Fest.</i>	Lumiere Services (Cyprus)	Cyprus	1991
Youth Card	Lumiere Services (Cyprus)	Cyprus	1991

## Editor Credits (documentaries)

<b><u>TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>PRODUCED FOR</u></b>	<b><u>COUNTRY</u></b>	<b><u>YEAR</u></b>
Ghost of Peter Sellers	Navajo	Cyprus/UK/USA	2017
AHDR	OSCE	Holland	2016
Family Reunification	UNHCR	Cyprus	2016
Taste of Famagusta	Renewal Project	Cyprus	2015
Kontea Esti: Awakened (documentary)	KHF/Crewhouse	Cyprus	2015
On a Journey with Woyzeck	Crewhouse Media / Roiter	Cyprus	2015
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