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Director & 1st Assistant Director

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PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS: Member of the Directors Guilds of Canada & America
Member of the Academy of Canadian Cinema & Television

EDUCATION: Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario. Graduated with a B.A. (Hons)
in Film Studies in 1989 with emphasis in production

SELECTED CREDITS (Director's Filmography)



2019 "The Still Life of Annika Myers" (short) (17min) Jan 2019

Cast: Barbara Wallace, Brian Taylor, Jennifer Elle Cannon

Director, Producer

Location: Victoria, BC

Audience Choice Award, Ottawa Canadian Film Fest, Nov 2019

Best Actress: Barbara Wallace, Global Shorts & Overcome Film Fest Oct 2019

Annika, the survivor of the Dutch "Hunger Winter", risks breaking the law and a valued friendship when she tries to reclaim her lost painting.



2017 "Super Bingo" (Short) (13min, 15sec) Aug-Dec 2017

Cast : Matt Mazur, Lexi Redman,

Writer, Director, Producer

Location: Langford, BC

Best Overall Film, Best Lead Actor, Matt Mazur, Best Prod. Design - Okanagan Indiefest Jul'18

Audience Choice Award –Short Circuit Pac.Rim Fest, Victoria BC, May '18

When Leo, the bingo hall number-caller unexpectedly quits, Steve the concessions guy is forced to replace him. Steve then gains his courage and uses the opportunity to make his dreams come true.



2003 "The Mall Man" (Short) (15min) Mar.03-June 03

Cast: Fred Ewanuick, Leah Cairns

2003 DGC Kickstart Funding Recipient,

Writer, Producer, Director

Location: Tsawwassen BC

Best Ensemble Cast Award, Arrivano I Corti, Montelanico, Italy

A disgruntled mall security guard, Jeff, finds new meaning in his life by helping reality TV show hostess, Sharon, and her uptight husband Bill, make it to their fertility clinic appointment on time.



1997 "Sombrio" (Short) (13min) Dec.96 – Feb.97

Cast: Dolly Scarr, Elana Nep

Sea to Sky Film Festival (Squamish), & Guernsey Lily International Amateur Film & Video Festival, UK

Writer, Producer, Director

Location: Langley and Tofino BC

The relationship between a mother and daughter on the West Coast of Vancouver Island develops when the girl examines an old photo album in which the pictures come to life and enable her to better understand the source of her mother's distress.

SELECTED CREDITS (as Assistant Director)

2013 – 2020 (1st Assistant Director) for Front Street Pictures, mostly MOW's and TV Series including
"Signed, Sealed, Delivered" & "Spooksville"

1997 – 2008 (1st Assistant Director) for Various Networks, on mostly TV Series & Feature Films including:
"Jpod", "Blade", "The Collector", "Eureka", "Just Cause", & "Stargate SG1"

1995 – 1996 (2nd Assistant Director) for Various Networks, on TV Series including:
"Stargate SG1", "Jake & the Kid" "Them" & "Dead Silence"

1992 – 1994 (3rd Assistant Director) for Various Networks on TV Series Including:
"The X-Files" "Jacks", "Cyberteens in Love", "Birdland", "Crackerjack", "The Odyssey"