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I am

I'm an indigenous Kankuama woman from a small city of Colombia. Valledupar. With really warm weather, cold tap water and late December's seasons of strong winds that inspired my searching through the audiovisual arts. In my creative work I explore the inner shadows and lights for the inner and outer harmony which is the most important work of each human being. With this paradigm I can share different forms of self and collective expression through my US registered nonprofit Body Stories Project Inc. in which my team and I focus on creating Healing Cinema, always searching for better ways to support changes in the detrimental beliefs of our society. Always towards the light.

Experience

Co-writer & Director - 'Body Stories: Marta & Fidel'

MAY 2023 - PRESENT

USA - Colombia

Co-writer, co-producer and director of the short film '*Body Stories: Marta & Fidel*'. A fiction film about the power of music to reconnect and heal. Currently on its development stage.

More information: <https://www.bodystoriesproject.com/marta-and-fidel>

Auteur Director - 'Body Stories: Together'

MAY 2021 - OCTOBER 2022

Globally

Script writer, producer, director and editor of the short film '*Body Stories: Together*'. Remotely directed with cast and crew from different parts of the globe. Recorded exclusively with smartphones. We are united towards one message: Hope.

This 29-minutes short film has been participating in different film festivals around the world.

Watch the trailer <https://youtu.be/DS2WD1O5YiY>

Watch the full movie <https://youtu.be/AiNwgpBgFDc>

IMDb page <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt28129404/>

Auteur Director - 'Body Stories: Suraj & Julieta'

MAY 2020 - JANUARY 2021

India - Colombia

Script writer, producer, director and editor of the short film 'Body Stories: Suraj & Julieta'. Recorded entirely with smartphones, during the lockdown in Mumbai, India due the COVID-19.

Watch the film <https://youtu.be/nJklvBpipYQ>

Freelance Audiovisual Artist and Illustrator

OCTOBER 2016 - JANUARY 2021

Globally

Audiovisual direction, production assistance, illustration, video editing, motion graphics, social project management and design strategy for NGOs, startups, groups and individuals.

Healing Art Manager at Nutricariño

OCTOBER 2018 - FEBRUARY 2020

Nutricariño, Santiago, Chile

Nutricariño was about the relationship within the human being and foods, with the basis on functional nutrition. Integrating self learning, self healing with focus on the consciousness of taking responsibility about what we consume (on physical, mental and spiritual levels), finding the factors that are blocking the development of balance and growth, using the arts as instruments of healing (cooking, visually, audiovisually, musically, and more).

Graphic / Audiovisual Designer

AUGUST 2017 - AUGUST 2019

IPCHILE, Santiago, Chile

Development of audiovisual pieces, pre-production, production and post-production (video edition, motion graphics), illustration and general development of information on Moodle platform for different careers: e-learning, blended and in-person. Also I'm working as director of the voice-over team.

Head Graphic Designer

JUNE 2015 - SEPTEMBER 2016

Fundación CVA, Santiago, Chile

Direction and development of creative projects for the growth of social projects for different NGOs.

Graphic Designer

APRIL 2014 - FEBRUARY 2015

Agencia Audiovisual CVA, Santiago, Chile

Audiovisual production, motion graphics, illustration, branding and graphic design of audiovisual products.

Education

APRIL 2021

Future Learn - University of East Anglia, Online - *An Introduction to Screenwriting.*

MARCH 2020

The Yoga Institute, Mumbai, India - *Yoga Instructor, Level I.*

SEPTEMBER 2019

Transformation Academy, Online - *Therapeutic Art Life Coach.*

SEPTEMBER 2016

Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile - *Graphic Designer.*

JUNE 2014

Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile - *Degree in Design, Graphic Design.*

As a person

Resilience. Capacity of adapting to a variety of contexts and teams. Empathy and non stop researcher of community's development. Slogan: we all can shine. Persistence and effectivity. Creativity and community leadership inside my projects. Detail oriented. Focus and commitment in my daily work.

As a professional

Advanced knowledge of Davinci Resolve, Adobe Premiere Pro, Final Cut, Kdenlive, Audacity, Illustrator, Photoshop, and Spark Post. Experience working with YouTube Studio and Instagram. English advanced level (EF SET). Management of different kinds of audiovisual projects (short film, music video, advertisement).

Honors and awards

JANUARY 2024

Chambal International Film Festival - *Most Inspirational Film (Short) - 1st Place - 'Body Stories: Together'*

NOVEMBER 2023

Student Filmmakers, Audience Awards - *Most Voted - 1st Place - 'Corpus Christi - Atánquez (in 30 Seconds)'*

JULY 2023

Global India International Film Festival - *Best Smartphone Short - Winner - 'Body Stories: Together'*

JUNE 2023

The Buddha International Film Festival - *Special Jury Award - Best Music - Winner - 'Body Stories: Together'*

FEBRUARY 2023

World Premiere Film Awards, Autumn Session - *Best Human Interest Short - Winner - 'Body Stories: Together'*

DECEMBER 2022

Lift-Off Film Festival - *Lift-Off Sessions December 2022 - Finalist - 'Body Stories: Together'*

JUNE 2021

Montenegrin Online Smartphone International Film Festival (MOSIFF) - *People Choice Award for Best Short Movie - 'Body Stories: Suraj & Julieta'*

Contacts

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