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Filmmaker

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ABOUT ME

Motivated LMU Film & Television Production student with 5+ years of hands-on experience in filmmaking, event coordination, tutoring, and community leadership. Skilled at managing complex projects from start to finish, working across teams, and communicating effectively in fast-paced environments. Equally comfortable on a film set, in a classroom, or coordinating events — adaptable, dependable, and eager to contribute

EDUCATION

2021 - 2025

Sierra Canyon High School

Sierra Canyon School — High School Diploma, Class of 2025

Dean's List (4 semesters) | Gold Community Service Award (136+ hours)

2025-Present

Loyola Marymount University

Loyola Marymount University — B.F.A., Film & Television Production

Expected Graduation: 2029 | School of Film & Television (SFTV)

FILM & PRODUCTION EXPERIENCE

2019 – Present

Filmmaker

- Created 15+ narrative and experimental short films end-to-end.
- Official selections at prestigious festivals including the All American High School Film Festival.
- Work featured internationally in Gujarat Speed News (India).
- Managed full production workflow: scripting, lighting, camera operation, editing, and sound design.
- On-set experience across all crew roles: Writer, producer, director, actor, gaffer, key grip, 1st and 2nd AC, DP.
- Paid PA and grip work for an estimated 10-15 professional sets
- Tik Tok edit page where I am quickly gaining attention online (over 5 million views and averaging 10k views per video)

2023 – 2025

Programming Director — Sierra Canyon Film Festival

- Curated and screened 20+ films for a national-level festival held at UTA Beverly Hills.
- Coordinated all festival logistics, hosted a college fair, and moderated a Q&A with featured director Lorenz Grant before 100+ attendees.

SKILLS

- Software & Editing: Adobe Premiere Pro, Canva, DaVinci Resolve, Photoshop
- Camera & Production: DSLR & Mirrorless Camera Operation, Lighting Design, Sound Design, Gaffer, Key Grip (Own and available to utilize a Sony FX3)
- Creative & Communication: Producing, Screenwriting, Directing, Storytelling, Acting, Dance, Poetry, Public Speaking, Social Media Management, Magic
- Interpersonal: Team Leadership, Event Coordination, Tutoring, Cross-Cultural Communication, Coaching
- Languages: English (Native), Gujarati, Hindi, Spanish (5 years)

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES

2025 - Present

Job - Step Up Tutoring

- Tutoring 5th-grade students in math and literature through individualized instruction.
- Adapt teaching methods to each student's learning style to improve comprehension and confidence

2025 - Present

Entertainment Chair, LMU SASA (South Asian Student Ass.)

- Elected as Entertainment Chair
- Work with E-Board to organize events
- In charge of coming up with event ideas, running events, managing promo, etc.

2021-2025

Captain — Sierra Canyon Varsity Golf & Tennis

- Four-year varsity athlete in both sports; served as team captain for both programs
- organized practices and training sessions, ran team huddles and lineups
- Golf: current +0.4 handicap; founded team Instagram account to grow program visibility.

2024

Volunteer — Giving From the Heart Foundation

- Coordinated community drives, delivered food, and organized fundraising events.
- Taught math to underprivileged children in India.
- Recipient of Gold Community Service Award for 136+ volunteer hours.

2020-2024

Participant and E-board member SFVGA (San Fernando Valley Gujarati Association)

- Cultural Program where I helped organize events that were open to hundreds of people
- Often competed in dance competitions and won numerous against other groups.
- Helped to promote my culture to all participants and members.

2023-2025

Founder — Sierra Canyon Magic Club

- Self-taught magician, started in 2020, invited to perform at the magic castle in 2023
- Established school's first Magic Club; taught 10+ members performance skills and routines
- Won the Sierra Canyon Talent Show two consecutive years for magic performances.