



SJ VAN BREDA

SCREENWRITER | DIRECTOR | EDITOR

SJ van Breda was born and raised in Durban, South Africa. She graduated as a mechanical engineer from the University of Cape Town before pursuing film at Vancouver Film School.

SJ focuses on creating unique and insightful content with a keen focus on writing and directing. She is a multi-skilled film professional and has worked in every facet of film production. Currently, she is working in the post-production field as an editor.

TECHNICAL & CREATIVE SKILLS

Writing for the Screen
Directing for Film
Editing
Adobe Creative Suite
AVID Media Composer
Da Vinci Resolve



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WORK EXPERIENCE

Makhulu Media - Full time Editor

Cape Town, SA | 2021 - Present
Editing content for NPO and NGO clients such as WWF, The Atlantic Institute and Fair Trade Africa. Responsible for media management, editing, onlining and sound design.

Xiaomi Studios - Mi Creator

Beijing, China | 2020 - Present
Producing, directing and editing content for Xiaomi Studios.

Ginkgo Agency - Editor

Cape Town, SA | 2020
Editor for Mercedes Benz's The Beautiful News South Africa and The Beautiful News Australia. Responsible for crafting narratives, implementation of set templates, VFX and sound design. Also part of the team that crafted Beautiful News Moments, a set of editorial promos.

Aimer Films Inc. - Director/Editor

Vancouver, Canada | 2017 - 2020
Created engaging content in the form of music videos, experimental dance shorts and narrative dramas.

CSIR (Council for Scientific and Industrial Research) - Engineer

Pretoria, South Africa | 2014 - 2016
Candidate aerospace engineer working in turbomachinery research.

FILM FESTIVALS & AWARDS

2021 - SMart: The London International Smartphone Film Festival
2020 - Nespresso Talents International Top 10
2019 - ADOBE Design Achievement Awards: Top Talent (Film)
2019 - WINNER: Documentary Category Filmic Fest
2019 - Pigneto Film Festival: Invited Filmmaker
2019 - CICI Film Festival: Invited Filmmaker
2019 - Oxford International Film Festival
2018 - Nespresso Talents International Top 10
2018 - Whistler Film Festival

SPEAKING & OTHER WORK

MMOCA Film Festival Cape Town 2020

Festival Judge and Instructor for Mobile Filmmaking

FilmicPro Creator Summit 2020

Speaker - Mobile Filmmaking



REFERENCES WILL BE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST



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EDUCATION

Vancouver Film School - Film Production (with Honours)

Vancouver, Canada | 2016 - 2017
Specializations in directing, cinematography and post-production

University of Cape Town - BSc. Mechanical Engineering (Hons.)

Cape Town, SA | 2010 - 2013
Graduated with First Class Honours - specializations in aerospace engineering and turbomachinery.

CERTIFICATIONS

Covid-19 motion picture protocols certification
Motion picture industry orientation course
Advanced first aid certification
Intermediate firefighting certification (marine)

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

I CAN DO THAT (DOC)	EDITOR/AE	PROD. NATASHA BARNES	2020
THE GOD AND GIRL (SHORT)	EDITOR/AE	PROD. CRISTINA FENU, KENT DONGUINES	2019
(ISOLA)TION (SHORT)	EDITOR/AE	PROD. PIGNETO FILM FESTIVAL	2019
JANE DIGBY (DOCUMENTARY)	EDITOR/AE	PROD. NATASHA BARNES	2019
RUNAWAY (MUSIC VIDEO)	EDITOR/AE	PROD. BENJAMIN JANICKI, KENT DONGUINES	2018
THE BELLADONNAS (SHORT)	EDITOR/AE	PROD. KATE FULLER	2017
THE CERTAINTY MACHINE (SHORT)	EDITOR/AE	PROD. MCKENZIE CLEMENTS	2017
GREY (SHORT)	EDITOR /AE	PROD. KENT DONGUINES	2017
V (SHORT)	EDITOR /AE	PROD. SAMUEL HOWDEN-GLASGOW	2017
SHIELDMAIDEN (SHORT)	TITLE SEQUENCE	PROD. JONATHAN MCFAUL	2017
CHARLOTTE (WEBSERIES)	TITLE SEQUENCE	PROD. PALESA THELEDI	2017
RUNAWAY	PRODUCER	DIR. S.J. VAN BREDA	2018
BOUND (EXPERIMENTAL SHORT)	PRODUCER	DIR. BENJAMIN JANICKI & S.J VAN BREDA	2017
SERPENTINE FIRE (MUSIC VID)	PRODUCER'S ASSISTANT	PROD. KENT DONGUINES	2017
FREMSKILLET SKONHED	PRODUCER'S ASSISTANT	PROD. KENT DONGUINES	2017
THE CERTAINTY MACHINE	1ST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	DIR. JF FERLAND	2017
PUBLIC TIES (SHORT)	2ND AD/LOCATIONS MGR.	DIR. GABRIEL CHEMALI	2017
EXILE EP.2 (WEB SERIES)	2ND AC	DIR. ROBIN GUELEN	2016
ANIMA NERA (EXPREIMENTAL SHORT)	2ND AC	DIR. GIANLUCA RICCIO	2017



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