Audiovisual storyteller from a panel block, outskirts of Prague.

KRISTYNA BUDINOVA

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 3/2025 7/2025 Schuman Trainee, European Parliament (Brussels)
 - O Secretariat-General, DG IDEA, Internal Communication Unit Job description: event photography & videography, media editing, topic research, concept development, video project realization, focused on audiovisual interdepartmental communication

- 2/2022 2/2025 Freelance Filmmaker (Los Angeles, New York, Prague)
 - O Focus Puller/Assistant Camera

Job description: equipment check-out/check-in, camera prep, set-up and take-down, transported and changed lenses and filters, responsible for pulling focus, maintained monitor feed, ran cables, marked positions, slated and filled camera reports Worked for: Teams (advertising agency)

> "High On Life XBOX Commercial" "Kinetic Sand, Logo Brand"

Production

Job description: administrative tasks, scheduling & budgeting, assembled & hired crew and cast, scouted and secured locations, did script breakdowns, personalized agreements, deal memos & release forms, coordinated meetings, craft service, accommodation and transportation, solved on-set issues, assisted production through all phases of filmmaking

O Director, Screenwriter & Editor Job description: developed concepts, wrote scripts, lookbooks, pitched projects, held auditions, casted & rehearsed actors, directed, communicated with all departments, lead teams through all stages of pre-production-post *portfolio of projects and film work activities available on my website

3/2017 - 8/2018 Tourist Guide, Mysterium Tours (Prague) Job description: studied history of art and Prague, researched materials, compiled and adapted stories, myths & legends into an entertaining and organized performance, and guided groups of tourists through the city

2/2014 - 6/2016 Gas Station Attendant, OMV Kacerov (Prague) Job description: custormer service, sales, stock and inventory of goods, meal preparation, cleaning, security

EDUCATION

9/2025 - 12/2025 ■ FAMU - Professional Development Course (Prague) "Climate Storytelling for Everyone" - a course focused on sustainability in audiovisual media

9/2018 - 12/2021 New York Film Academy (New York City & Los Angeles) Bachelor of Fine Arts - BFA, Filmmaking graduated Summa Cum Laude

9/2011 - 6/2015 ■ Vaclav Hollar Art School (Prague) Europass Certificate Supplement: Graphic Design

RECOGNITION & AWARDS - FILM FESTIVALS

- **Director "Watch Your Language"** (short film) Semi-finalist "Burbank International FF2022", Los Angeles 1st Runner Up for Best Film "300 Seconds Short FF2022", Toronto Best Cast International "300 Seconds Short FF2022", Toronto Official Selection "Broad Humor FF2022", Los Angeles
- Director & Editor "The Robbear" (short film) Official Selection "Hollywood Comedy Shorts FF2023", Los Angeles
- Director & Editor "Yaara" (music video) Award Winner "Rome Music Video Awards 2023", Rome

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About me:

Organized and reliable filmmaker with ambition and eye for detail.

I create, direct, and edit to capture the soul of a story and convey meaning beyond language.

Proficient in ADOBE Creative Suite (Premiere Pro, Photoshop, Lightroom, Illustrator, InDesign).

Driver's licence: category B

Languages:

Czech (native) English (C2, fluent) Spanish (B2, work proficient) French (B2, work proficient) Korean (A2, beginner)

Interests:

film, literature & fine arts culture, music & dance feminism LGBTQIA+ climate change martial arts, jogging