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# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Directing

Set Design

Script Writting

Producing

Cinematography

Editing

Photography

# **INTRAPERSONAL SKILLS**

Time Management & Organzation

# MALIKA KURGANBAEVA

Filmmaker

# PROFILE

I am a passionate filmmaker with 4 years of experience, ranging from films and TVCs, to social media content and a Bachelor Degree in Film Production. Having the chance to work in different fields, I discovered that I love the unity and collaboration on a set the most, being a part of a team, working on films much bigger than myself.

During my time in university, I have lead and directed numerous projects of my own, from which my skills sparked. I am both creative and responsible, making my ideas unique, while the work ethic strong.

# **PORTFOLIO**

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **PRODUCTION COORDINATOR FREELANCE, 2024**

- Major campaigns for VOX, Dubai Holding, Dubai Tourism, Volkswagen, etc
- Casting and coordinating actors. Crewing and locations
- On set support and coordination.

#### ART DIRECTOR - "THE BORDER'S WOLF", NEBRAS FILMS, SAUDI ARABIA, 2023 - 2024

- Production Designer & Art Director on set in KSA.
- Supervised the film all through out preproduction & production to exhibition, total of 8 months.

#### EDITOR IN CHEIF AT DUBAI PIKE, APRIL 2024 ONWARDS

- Head of Dubai's branch in the international media Pike.
- Creative direction for all media channels, currently at 54k followers. Managing and leading the team.
- Working with clients. Organising ad campaigns and events.
- Strengthening the media's name, identity and community.

#### **INTERNSHIP AT CREATE PRODUCTION, 2023**

- Assisting in managing DET & event shoots.
- Casting and coordinating actors.
- Working on edits and handling QC.

## Communication

Teamwork

Leadership

Flexibility & Adaptivity

Problem-solving

Creativity

Strive to Learn & Improve

## SOFTWARES



# LANGUAGES

Fluent **English** Fluent **Russian** Lower intermediate **French** Lower intermediate **Uzbek** 

## INTERESTS

Photography Travel & Nature Fitness Dance Arts & Crafts

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

IELTS 8.5 Valid Driving License Valid UAE Residence Visa

#### FREELANCE WORK FOR MAJID AL FUTTAIM MALLS, 2023

- Videographer for advertising content
- Creator of top viewed content on the social pages, doubling the followers engagement.

## VIDEOGRAPHY INTERNSHIP AT LEVA MARKETING, 2022 - 2023

- Worked on content for GTA Cars, Apparel Group, Nation Towers and etc.
- GTA Cars sales through social media reached their all time highest.
- The company signed 3 new major clients.

## FREELANCE WORK, ASSISTANCE IN SHOOTS,

#### 2020 - 2024

- Worked as direction, production and art dep. assistant on multiple shoots
- Shot content videos for Mado, The Library, Godiva, etc.
- Modelled & acted in commercial and passion projects

# **EDUCATION**

## SAE INSTITUTE DUBAI

Bachelor of Film, 2021 - 2024

- Educated on all roles within pre-production, production & post-production
- GPA 6.5
- Director and project leader throughout the course
- Projects directed by me won multiple awards at film festivals.

#### SAE INSTITUTE DUBAI

Bachelor of Animation, 2018 - 2021

- 3D Modelling & VFX
- Excelled in ZBrush 3D sculpting
- Started a drawing club

## INTERNATIONAL HOUSE COLLEGE

Humanities & Social Studies, 2016 - 2018

- Student council
- Orginized weekly film viewing sessions

# FILM FESTIVALS & AWARDS

#### **BLACK SHEEP FILM FESTIVAL**

Best Music Video - Off My Mind Best Cinematography - Off My Mind Best Production Design - The Book Best Actress - The Book Best Production Design - Street Code (All of the above projects were produced & directed by me)

#### AACTA

Best Short Documentary - Acting Out (cinematographer) **BLACK SHEEP FILM FESTIVAL** Best Animated Short Film - Sortie

(cinematographer & actor)