

AAMURO KANDA

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PERSONAL PROFILE

An efficient, creative team-player specializing in creating short form, feature length films and live event content. A self-made entrepreneur seizing every opportunity to learn, problem-solve and help others build captivating projects engaging viewers from around the globe.

SOFTWARE

- Premiere Pro
- After Effects
- Avid Media Composer
- Davinci Resolve
- Unity
- ProTools
- Movie Magic Scheduling
- Final Draft
- Lightroom
- Photoshop
- Excel
- Google Suite

FILM EXPERIENCE

- Directing
- Documentary
- Director of Photography
- Script Development and Coverage
- Short Form Content
- Editing
- Producing
- Live Events

PERSONAL SKILLS

- Communication
- Project Management
- Perceptive
- Risk-Taker
- World History
- Japanese Culture
- Piano / Hammond Organ
- Bass
- Jazz Music / Music History
- Cuisine

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EDUCATION

University of Southern California (USC)

BFA Film and TV Production; Summa Cum Laude

- Courses include managing media and television stations, diversity in film, post-production, producing, directing, cinematography, intro to computation and linguistics.
- Awarded Louis J. Favara Scholarship for excellence in cinematography.
- Cohen Fund Scholarship awarded all four years.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Kanda Films Production Company

2014 - Present

- Short Films, Social Media Content, Marketing Media and Feature Length Projects.
- Premiere events and films live coverage.
- USC Arts and Climate Grant Recipient for documentary.
- Films screened and awarded at Rocky Mountain PBS, Breckenridge Film Festival, Boulder International Film Festival and All American High School Film Festival.

Music Festival and Concert Media Specialist

2022 - Present

- Videographer and photographer for Planet Bluegrass Festivals including the Telluride Bluegrass Festival. Notable performers include Robert Plant and Alison Krauss, Tenacious D, Billy Strings, Sierra Ferrell, Chris Thile and Sam Bush.
- Directed and Edited feature length concert film for Grammy / Golden Globe Artist, Kitarō, for international distribution.

USC School of Cinematic Arts Student Positions

2023

- Organizational assistance and overseeing the post production labs at USC.
- Teaching Assistant for Cinematography Department. Managed students and aided in classroom exercises.

TraceGains Video Production Intern

2022

- Directed, edited and delivered educational and promotional videos supporting the TraceGains company and clients.
- Company is a recipient of the Content Beta Award for Customer Education.

Terry Southern Literary Estate Intern

2019

- Organized scripts and transcribed interviews for possible documentary development.
- Estate screenplays include Doctor Strangelove and Easy Rider.

Boulder International Film Festival Youth Council

2016 - 2019

- Organized and taught filmmaking workshops to local community and middle schools.

FILMOGRAPHY

Mr. Yanagi's Aliens (2024)

The Android's New Soul, a live musical (2024)

Kitarō - ZEN: Live In Katsuyama (2024)

The Edge (2023)

Beatles Rooftop Concert Tribute, live (2023)

The Paper Crane (2022)

Canon (2022)

Nothing Is Really There (2022)

Clyde Crooks - FILL, music video (2022)

Sick Day (2021)

I'll Be There Soon (2021)

The Trial of Elijah Lee (2020)

Mothership (2020)

Ghost In My House (2020)

Your American Brother (2019)

Little Lobster (2018)

AWARDS AND HONORS

- *USC BFA Summa Cum Laude Film and Television Production (2023)*
- *Louis J. Favara Scholarship for Excellence in Cinematography (2022 - 2023)*
- *Cohen Fund Scholarship for Film and Television Production Students (2019 - 2023)*
- *Best Experimental Film New York Cinematography Awards (2023)*
- *Horror Film Selection Emerging Filmmakers Project (2023)*
- *Best Student Narrative Film Splice Film Fest (2022)*
- *Rocky Mountain PBS "In Short" Television Series (2019 - 2020)*
- *Best of Fest Breckenridge Film Festival (2019)*
- *Best Cinematography Nominee All American Student Film Festival (2019)*
- *Best Director Boulder International Film Festival Student Film Competition (2019)*
- *Longmont Colorado Art Center Featured Filmmaker (2016 - 2017)*
- *Louis Armstrong Jazz Award (2019)*