

DURAN M. JONES

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EDUCATION

AFI Conservatory, Masters of Fine Arts, Producing

Los Angeles, CA

- Selected Fellow's Advisory Committee Representative Academic Chair, Selected Producers Guild of America Student Ambassador. Dr. David M. Milch Foundation short film scholarship recipient.

Hampton University, Bachelor of Arts w/ **Honors**, Broadcast Journalism

Hampton, VA

- Member of Student Leadership Program, Student Recruitment Team and National Association of Black Journalists. Served as Membership Intake Coordinator of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Producer's Assistant, **Apple+ Physical Season 2** | Studio City, CA

Sept. 2021 - Present

- Provide administrative and creative support to the producer.
- Organize production activities, assist with the management of the production budget, and participate in all phases of the production process.

Fellow, **2021 Sundance Feature Film Producers Lab** | *Los Angeles, CA*

Jul. 2021 - Present

- One of five selected participants for project development and skill strengthening.
- One-on-one pitch meetings, roundtables, panels, and informal networking opportunities tackling current issues facing the independent film market.

Producer, **PGA "Power of Diversity Workshop"** | *Los Angeles, CA*

Jul. 2020 - Sept. 2020

- One of ten selected projects tasked with taking a project from script through distribution.
- Nurture diverse perspectives and learn from the most successful producers in the PGA.

CEO and Artist, **STG Media** | Atlanta, GA

Apr. 2008 - Jul. 2019

- Responsible for the creative development, production, and release of musical projects.
- Booked performances, produced stage shows, and design/ sell artist merchandise.

Instructor, **Actor's Breakthrough** | *Jonesboro, GA*

Jul. 2017 - Jul. 2019

- Worked with children ages 10-18 teaching the basics of acting (i.e. monologues, improv, etc.). Facilitated curriculum teaching self-tape auditions for adults.

Freelance Technical Director & Editor, **CNN Newsource** | *Atlanta, GA*

Feb. 2011 - Dec. 2012

- Directed and edited previously-produced news feeds and packages for 800+ CNN domestic and foreign affiliates. Created and maintained projects in the archival system for affiliate requests.

FILM FESTIVALS/ ACCOLADES

BLKMGC, Musical Short Film

Producer/ Co-Writer/ Composer/ Cast

- Urban Film Festival (Best Musical Short Film) | Music In Cinema Film Festival (Best Drama Short) | Spotlight Short Film Awards (Gold Award Winner) | Peachtree Village International Film Festival (2nd Place Short) | Maryland International Film Festival | Black Web Fest

AFTER THAT WE DIDN'T TALK, Short Film

Co-Producer

- Hollyshorts Official Selection | "Best Short Film" Los Angeles Cinematography Awards | San Diego Black Film Festival | Los Angeles Black Film Festival | Indie Fest Los Angeles | Capital City Black Film Festival

LEADERSHIP/ AWARDS

Student Ambassador, **Producers Guild of America (PGA)** | *Los Angeles, CA*

Feb. 2020 - August 2021

- Serve as a bridge between future producers and the Producers Guild.
- Move the PGA in a more inclusive direction—both in membership and leadership.