

Aaron Smith

**Director of
Photography |
Cinematographer |
Videographer |
Editor**

Skills

Aaron Smith

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Videography, Photography, Lighting, Writing, Editing, Film Production, Marketing, Social Media Management, Music Performance, Music Production, Sales, Teamwork.

Proficient in:

Black Magic DaVinci Resolve, Adobe CC Suite (Premiere, Illustrator, Photoshop, AfterEffects, etc.), Final Cut Pro, ProTools, Microsoft Office Suite, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter

Gear:

Black Magic Pocket Cinema 6k Pro, Canon C100 mk ii, Canon 6D, Zoom H4n, Rode NTG 2 shotgun mic, Rode video mic, Aputure LED Hr672 panel, Softbox lighting setup, Manfrotto fluid head tripod.

Experience

Thirsty Camel Productions, Inc. / COVID Health & Safety PA

SEPTEMBER 2021-OCTOBER 2021

Worked on the feature film set of "The Menu", as a Covid Health and Safety Production Assistant. Responsible for maintaining and enforcing Covid protocol on set, ensuring a safe atmosphere for all cast and crew. Completed tasks of a production assistant by getting lunches for crew, ringing the bell during rolling takes, and any other tasks asked of me by my superiors.

365 Degree Total Marketing / Senior Videographer

DECEMBER 2020 - July 2021

Leading projects from conception to completion. Planning, filming, and editing, delivering, and presenting all projects. Meeting with clients to outline their vision, providing creative input, and creating solutions for any issues that may arise. Ensuring clients needs are heard, and providing a welcoming, comfortable environment for them to share input and ideas. Meeting with production management, design, photo and video team on a weekly and daily basis to ensure the project is on track. Outlining travel and production plans. Assessing, choosing and acquiring necessary gear for each individual project and its needs. Travels as required to film on location at clients' request. Presenting projects to CEO & President of the company and surpassing their expectations.

**Berkshire Hathaway Home Services GA Properties /
Videography Specialist**

AUGUST 2019 - AUGUST 2020. ATLANTA, GA

Working directly alongside the Creative & Innovation managers on a daily basis to conceptualize, coordinate and develop the most effective video content for the company, covering the entire state of Georgia. Planning and executing weekly videos in a timely and orderly manner. Working on a weekly basis with the CEO, multiple executives and departments to execute the vision designed for their specific videos. Overseeing planning, filming, and editing of work conferences and events, often exceeding hundreds of attendees. Effectively communicating and gathering what gear will be necessary for any and all upcoming shoots. Delivering the finalized product and exceeding standards.

Abductees Anonymous / Director of Photography, Writer, Editor, Producer

January 2018-Present. ATL, GA & LA, CA

Headed writing script from creation to completion. Monitored budget and allocated funds to assure project did not surpass budget limits. Coordinating auditions, scout locations, shot list, hiring talent and crew. Choosing camera, lighting and sound gear appropriate for shoot. Both filming project and directing camera operators/crew on how to complete our vision. Editing project unto completion, and coordinating with post sound, colorist and composer to finalize film in a time efficient matter. Leading social media marketing.

Golden / Director of Photography, Editor

January 2019. Royston, GA

Organized shoot to be done within the time frame of 24 hours. Planned, shot and edited by use of solely myself as one man crew, working with only one model as talent. Sought out and partnered with musician to arrange score suiting the film. Successfully delivered as projected.

The Shadow / Director of Photography, Writer, Editor, Producer

April 2016- December 2017. ATL, GA

Director of photography, writer, producer, and editor for the web-series. Responsibilities include seeing the project through from start to finish. Managing, directing, and communicating with the cast and crew to deliver project as conceptualized. Headed social media front for project.

Drive / Director of Photography, Composer, Editor

June 2016. ATL, GA

Single handedly wrote, filmed, composed score for and edited video within a 24 hour window.

Berkshire Hathaway / Grip

April-May 2019. ATL, GA

Assisted camera department with lighting needs for high production

shoot. Collaborated with Director of Photography in set up and design of lighting for scenes. Transported, built and disassembled lighting gear. Worked alongside crew efficiently to complete project on schedule.

Ford, Brantley Gilbert Commercial/ 1st AC

August-September 2018. Commerce, GA

Assisted camera department from start to end of day with any needs that arose. Interacted with high profile country music star throughout duration of shoot. Helped build/break down camera, lighting and set gear. Drove both gear and people between locations in company rented vehicle. Following director's orders throughout the shoot to ensure company's vision is fulfilled.

NBC & E! "The Funny Dance Show"/ Production Assistant

August-September 2018. Los Angeles, CA

Following Director & Production Manager's directions for day to day tasks. Unloading/loading of Studio gear from Trucks. Set up and breakdown of entire venue. Communicating throughout production through use of Walkies. Pick up and drop off studio personnel in rental vans.

Genius Produced/ Production Assistant

June-July 2018. Los Angeles, CA

Assisting studio's day to day needs. Solving dilemmas as they arose on the day. Setting up and breaking down of sets. Organization of camera and lighting gear. Completing runs, lunch pickups, and retrieving deliveries of gear and hardware for sets. Running of set teleprompter. Construction of studio upon move from Burbank to Culver city.

Stokd Productions, "A Broken Record"/ Writer, 2nd AC

November 2016. ATL, GA

Teamed with camera operators from Red Bull to compete in 72 hour film race. Conceptualized idea for story based on guidelines administered. Wrote script and assisted on day of shooting with the camera department.

Barred Owl Productions, "End of Life"/ Voice Actor

October 2016. ATL, GA

Voice actor for character, "Jesse", in web-series "End of Life", and assistant to the director's vision on set.

Education

Liberty University / School of Music

Lynchburg, VA

Chattahoochee High School / Diploma

Alpharetta, GA

Awards

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- Awarded “**Best Georgia Comedy Film**” for “Abductees Anonymous” at Atlanta Comedy Film Festival 2019.
 - Official Selection “Abductees Anonymous” at Asheville Comedy Short Film Festival, Atlanta Comedy Film Festival, and Ladies Night Short Film Festival.

Accomplishments

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- Traversed from Atlanta, Georgia to Los Angeles California and back in a Uhaul to pursue my passion for film.
 - Speaks English, Spanish, French and Latin.
 - Worked in Film and Music for over seven years.
 - Lived in Peru as missionaries with my family for two years from ages 8 to 10 and traveled throughout South America.
 - Completed Award Winning Short Film “Abductees Anonymous”
 - Co-Owner and Founder of independent production company Happenstance Film Co.

References

<u>Professional:</u>	<u>Personal:</u>
1) Don Freewalt (BHHS) <u>678-910-1975</u>	1) Davis Nix <u>678-294-6730</u>
2) Jennifer Pointer <u>470-583-7208</u>	2) John Roberson <u>470-701-4033</u>
3) Jonathan Hale <u>678-910-1975</u>	
4) Megan Harbin <u>404-510-2552</u>	