

# BEN BRYAN

CINEMATOGRAPHER

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## ABOUT

I have worked my way through the camera department from the ground up. After studying film and TV at Swinburne University I got my first start at a camera rental house, working under the legendary cinematographer Barry Malseed. Shortly thereafter I was fortunate enough to be offered a role working onset in the camera department on a cop show called Rush. It was a hard job, many cups of tea were made and my hands were constantly dirty and calloused from coiling cables but I learnt a lot.

After a decade as a clapper loader and focus puller on Film, Television and commercials I felt like I'd learnt enough about the technical process to move onto the creative side of filmmaking as a cinematographer. Being entrusted to bring a story to life through the camera isn't something I take lightly and I try to bring a unique, story driven approach to every project I work on.

## NARRATIVE EXPERIENCE

2024	Careless Feature Documentary	Director: Sue Thomson
2024	Iron Winter Feature Documentary (Mongolia)	Director: Kasimir Burgess
2023	Ancestry Road Feature Film	Director: Glenn Triggs

2023	This is Gonna Be Big Feature Documentary <i>(additional)</i>	Director: Thomas Hyland
2023	Lessons From the Unknown Feature Documentary - SBS	Director: Chris Phillips
2023	Meet the Neighbours ABC Factual Series	Director: Jacob Hickey
2023	The Great Separation Feature Documentary	Director: Shannon Swan
2022	Run Rabbit Run Feature Film <i>(B Cam additional)</i>	Director: Dana Reid DOP: Bonnie Elliot
2022	Savage River TV Series <i>(B Cam additional)</i>	Director: Jocelyn Moorhouse DOP: Don McAlpine
2022	Franklin Feature documentary <i>GOLD ACS Award</i>	Director Kasimir Burgess
2022	TREES Short Film <i>NZIFF - Spirit of the Civic Award</i> <i>ST Kilda Film Festival</i>	Directors: Tom Scott & Self
2022	Sam & Sophie <i>St Kilda Film Festival</i>	Dir/DOP: Ben Bryan
2022	Impressions of Home Short Documentary	Director: Parisa Arisap

2021	FUNTV Comedy series	Director: Tony Rogers
2019	Home Short Documentary <i>GOLD ACS Award</i> <i>Best documentary short - Golden Tree International Film Festival</i> <i>Best documentary short – Short to the Point Film Festival</i> <i>Finalist – Bayside Film Festival</i> <i>Show us your Shorts</i> <i>Byron Bay Film Festival</i> <i>Blow UP – Chicago Arthouse Film fest</i> <i>Liverpool Film Festival</i> <i>African Diaspora Film Festival</i> <i>Toronto Documentary Film Festival</i>	Dir/DOP: Ben Bryan
2019	Yiyili Short Documentary - SBS & NITV	Director/DOP: Ben Bryan

## PRESS

[\*\*ACS Magazine article on Franklin \(p. 28\)\*\*](#)  
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## REFEREES

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