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## **DIRECTOR BIOGRAPHY**

Lydia B. Smith – Director/Producer

Lydia began her documentary career over 27 years ago, and has a long history of collaboration with the producers on this project. Lydia directed, produced and wrote They're Just Kids, a 26-minute educational documentary showing how children with disabilities can positively affect our lives: A Legacy Revealed, a 40-minute historical documentary; Infiniti: Behind the Scenes; and a 20-minute biography Bill Lansing: A Tribute. Additionally, she was senior producer on CNN's Soldiers of Peace: A Children's Crusade; co-producer and 2nd unit DP on the CNN documentary The Mystery of the Arctic Rose; 2nd unit DP on the PBS show, Stand Up; American producer for Chilean TV's The Route of the Beringia; DP for Anthony Hopkins Teaches and more. In addition to her producing and directing career, Lydia has worked as a camera assistant and operator commercials, top music videos and on major motion pictures including Ed Wood with Johnny Depp, Dangerous Minds with Michelle Pheiffer and Matilda with Danny DeVito to name just a few.

Lydia is the perfect director/producer for Walking the Camino. She lived in Barcelona for over six years and speaks flawless Spanish, in addition to Italian and Catalan. She is an avid outdoorswoman and a lover of hiking and nature, as well as a licensed spiritual practitioner from the Agape International Spiritual Center and from the United Centers for Spiritual Living. During the spring of 2008, Lydia walked the entire 500 miles of the Camino de Santiago, and has a deep understanding of the power of the pilgrimage and of the captivating stories waiting to be told.

## **SHORT BIO**

Lydia began her career in the film business over 27 years ago and has produced for CNN, PBS and foreign television. She has worked in both production and in the camera department on major motion pictures commercials, and music videos all over the world. In 2008, Lydia walked the Camino, and has a deep understanding of the power of the pilgrimage and of the captivating stories waiting to be told.