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TEXTS & TECHNOLOGY, DIGITAL MEDIA, Ph.D. STUDENT

Christopher is pursuing his Ph.D. in Texts & Technology, Digital Media at the University of Central Florida with research interests in Social Media Rhetoric for Social Justice. He is a faculty member of the Creative Writing MFA Program at Full Sail University in Winter Park, FL, teaching Screenwriting, Production, and Digital and Social Media Personal Branding. A graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles with an MFA in Film and Television, Christopher is a domestic and international award-winning filmmaker whose work has appeared in major cities worldwide, including Cannes, Berlin, Tel Aviv, New York and Los Angeles.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Audiovisual Rhetoric Digital Media Digital Storytelling Social Justice Social Media Visual Culture

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Wrote, produced and directed an award-winning direct to DVD feature film sequel for Odom-Booker Entertainment, securing a worldwide distribution deal with Canada's largest movie distributor, Entertainment One (E1), by hiring name talent for only one day, utilizing students and interns for low pay, and functioning personally in multiple crew positions to deliver the film after the budget was reduced by 75%
- Co-produced and shot an award-winning feature film for One Way or Another Productions by managing the production process to overcome the limitations of a skeleton crew
- Collaborated on feature films for Warning Films that found successful, profitable, worldwide
 distribution through Maverick Entertainment by shooting and directing scenes, creating on-the-fly
 dialogue, and acting on-camera when necessary to complete scenes without scripts or enough talent on
 set

EDUCATION

• Ph.D. Student, Texts and Technology, Digital Media, *University of Central Florida*, Orlando, FL, 2019 - 2023.

CURRICULUM VITAE PAGE 2

- Master of Fine Arts, Film, Television & Digital Media, University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, 2001.
- Professional Certificate, Screenwriting, *University of California, Los Angeles*, Los Angeles, CA, 1996.
- Bachelor of Arts, Film & Video Production, Minor, Theater, *Georgia State University*, Atlanta, GA, 1994.
- Some College Courses Taken, *Morehouse College*, Atlanta, GA, 1991.

ACADEMIC SERVICE & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Course Director, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2011 Present.
- *Administrative Specialist*, University of California, Los Angeles, School of Film, Television, and Digital Media, Los Angeles, CA, 2003 2004.
- Vice-President, Editor-in-Chief, Organization of Black Screenwriters (OBS), Los Angeles, CA, 2003 2004.
- *Program Coordinator*, Watts Labor Community In Action Committee, Tell It Theater, Los Angeles, CA, 2001.
- Vice-Chairperson, Georgia State University, Cinéfest Film Theater, Atlanta, GA, 1993 1994.

COURSES TAUGHT

- Advanced Visual Storytelling, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2017 Present.
- Script Analysis and Criticism, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2017 Present.
- The Business of Creative Writing, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2016 Present.
- Art of Visual Storytelling, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2015 2017.
- Creative Writing Portfolio I, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2015 Present.
- Screenwriting Production & Analysis, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2015 Present.
- Creative Presentation, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2015.
- Filmmaking Concepts and Practices, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2015.
- Character Creation and Development: Writing for Film, Television, Animation, Comics, & Games, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2015.
- *Multimedia Terms and Genres: Writing for Film, Television, Animation, Comics, & Games*, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2011 2015.
- Literary Research: Film, Television, Animation, Comics, & Games, Full Sail University, Winter Park, FL, 2012.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- *VP, Content Creation*, EJO Ventures Technology Project Management Network Systems Integration, Nashville, TN, 2018 Present
- Producer, Host, Writer, Editor, Big Trip To Japan, Davenport, FL, 2017 Present
- Producer, News Anchor, Editor, Aero-News Network (ANN), Jacksonville, FL, 2016 2017
- Live Event Camera Operator, Universal Event Photography (UEP), Winter Park, FL, 2014.

CURRICULUM VITAE PAGE 3

- Feature Film Executive Producer, Director, Cinematographer, Writer, Odom-Booker Entertainment, Winter Park, FL, 2004 2011.
- Live Event Video Producer, Camera Operator, Video Editor, Technology Marketing Toolkit, Franklin, TN, 2010 2012.
- Feature Film Co-Producer, Cinematographer, Editor, One Way or Another Productions, New York, NY, 2010 2011.
- On-Air Promotions Producer, Director, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), San Francisco, CA, 2006 2009.
- Web Series Editor, Live Universe, Los Angeles, CA, 2006 2007.
- Story Analyst, Creative Artist Agency (CAA), Beverly Hills, CA, 2006.
- *Promo Editor*, Beta Records, Hollywood, CA, 2005.
- Feature Film Director, Cinematographer, Warning Films, Nu-Lite Entertainment, West Los Angeles, CA, 2005.
- Corporate Video Director, Cinematographer, Editor, Publisher's Media Group, Burbank, CA, 2005.
- IPTV Executive Producer, Director, Cinematographer, Writer, Editor, Akimbo, San Jose, CA, 2004.
- Feature Film Writer's Assistant, Dan Gordon Inc., Thousand Oaks, CA, 2002 2003.
- Literary Manager, Partner, Charles-Dean, Beverly Hills, CA, 2000 2001.
- Various Entertainment Contract Positions, Aquent, Los Angeles, CA, 1997 2000.
- Senior Clerk, The Walt Disney Studios, Burbank, CA, 1996.

AWARDS, HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS

- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *Cannes Pan African Film Festival*, Cannes, France 2013.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *Berlin Black Cinema International Film Festival*, Berlin, Germany 2013.
- Winner, 2nd Place, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *North Carolina Black Film Festival*, Wilmington, NC, 2013.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *Cleveland Black Cinema Showcase*, Cleveland, OH, 2013.
- Official Selection, "10 Commandments of Chloe," Feature, *Calgary International Film Festival*, Calgary, Canada, 2013.
- Award of Excellence, "10 Commandments of Chloe," Feature, *Los Angeles Movie Awards*, Los Angeles, CA, 2012.
- Best Art Film, "10 Commandments of Chloe," Feature, *American International Film Festival*, Skokie, IL, 2012.
- Official Selection, "Holmes: Mo's Revenge," TV Pilot, WGA Diversity Department Staged Reading Series, ABC, Burbank, CA, 2009
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Tel Aviv Spirit Film Festival, Tel Aviv, Israel, 2008.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Santa Barbara African Heritage Film Series, Santa Barbara, CA, 2008.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Cannes Pan African Film Festival, Cannes, France, 2007.
- Best Picture by a Black Filmmaker, "23rd Psalm" Feature, *Berlin Black Cinema International Film Festival*, Berlin, Germany, 2007.

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- Best Picture, "23rd Psalm," Feature, San Diego Black Film Festival, San Diego, CA, 2007.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Hollywood Black Film Festival*, Hollywood, CA, 2007.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, African Diaspora Film Festival, New York, NY, 2007.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Los Angeles Pan African Film Festival, Los Angeles, CA, 2007.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Reel Black Screening Series, Philadelphia, PA, 2007.
- Special Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *National Civil Rights Museum*, Memphis, TN, 2007.
- Official Selection, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Urban Film Series*, Washington, DC, 2007.
- Certificate of Recognition, "How To Make It In Hollywood, Before You Make It," Documentary, *Film Independent (FIND)*, Los Angeles, CA, 2005.
- Official Selection, "How To Make It In Hollywood, Before You Make It," Documentary, *Roxbury International Film Festival*, Roxbury, MA, 2004.
- Finalist, "How To Make It In Hollywood, Before You Make It," Documentary, *Hollywood Black Film Festival*, Hollywood, CA, 2004.
- Feature Finalist, "The Hill," Screenplay Contest, San Francisco African-American Film Festival, San Francisco, CA, 2004.
- Finalist, "Holmes: Mo's Revenge," 1-Hour Teleplay, *Scriptapalooza TV Pilot Competition*, Los Angeles, CA, 2004.
- Fellowship, William J. & Lee Phillip Bell, The Young & The Restless, TV Writing, Los Angeles, CA, 2001.
- Fellowship, Agency Of The Performing, Arts Marty Klein, Comedy Writing, Beverly Hills, CA, 2000.
- Fellowship, Steve Lawrence & Eydie Gormé, TV Writing, Los Angeles, CA, 1999.

SCREENINGS, STAGED READINGS

- Screening, "10 Commandments of Chloe," Feature, *Calgary International Film Festival*, Calgary, Canada, 2013.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *Black Cinema International Film Festival*, Berlin, Germany, 2013.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *Cannes Pan African Film Festival*, Cannes, France, 2013.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *Cleveland Black Cinema Showcase*, Cleveland, OH, 2013.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *North Carolina Black Film Festival*, Wilmington, NC, 2013.
- Staged Reading, "Holmes: Mo's Revenge," TV Pilot, WGA Diversity Department, Staged Reading Series, ABC, Burbank, CA, 2009.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Tel Aviv Spirits Film Festival*, Tel Aviv, Israel, 2008.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Santa Barbara African Heritage Film Series, Santa Barbara, CA, 2008.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, African Diaspora Film Festival, New York, NY, 2007.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Reel Black Film Screening Series, Philadelphia, PA, 2007.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Urban Film Screening Series*, Washington, DC, 2007.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Hollywood Black Film Festival, Hollywood, CA, 2007.

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- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Black International Cinema Film Festival*, Berlin, Germany, 2007.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, National Civil Rights Museum, Memphis, TN, 2007.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Cannes Pan African Film Festival, Cannes, France, 2007.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Pan-African Film and Arts Festival, Los Angeles, CA, 2007.
- Screening, "23rd Psalm," Feature, San Diego Black Film Festival, San Diego, CA, 2007.
- Screening, "How To Make It In Hollywood Before You Make It," Documentary, *Hollywood Black Film Festival*, Hollywood, CA, 2004.
- Screening, "How To Make It In Hollywood Before You Make It," Feature, *Roxbury International Film Festival*, Roxbury, MA, 2004.

RECENT CREDITS

FILM

- "23rd Psalm: Redemption" (Feature), Producer, Director, Writer, Cinematographer, Editor, Entertainment One, 2013.
- "10 Commandments of Chloe" (Feature), Cinematographer, One Way or Another Productions, 2013.
- "23rd Psalm" (Feature), Producer, Director, Writer, Cinematographer, Editor, Vendetta Filmworks, 2013.
- "Voodoo Curse: The Legend of the Giddeh" (Feature), 2nd Unit Cinematographer, Warning Films, 2006.
- "How To Make It In Hollywood, Before You Make It" (Documentary), Producer, Director, Writer, Editor, Cinematographer, Tapeworm, 2004.

TELEVISION

- "Global Voices Season Preview" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Global Voices, 2009.
- "Faubourg Tremé" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), PBS Plus, 2008.
- "Reserved to Fight" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), PBS Plus, 2008.
- "Weaving Worlds" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), PBS Plus, 2008.
- "Helvetica" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "March Point" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "King Corn" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Iron Ladies of Liberia" (Promo), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.

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- "Yodok Stories" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Kudos Family, Piriya Films, 2009.
- "Crips and Bloods: Made in America" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Chicago 10" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Tulia, Texas" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Dinner with the President" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Stranded: The Andes Plane Crash Survivors" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Ask Not" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "I.O.U.S.A." (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Lioness" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Taking Root: The Vision of Wangari Maathai" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Please Vote for Me" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "Mapping Stem Cell" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.
- "A Dream in Doubt" (Trailer), Producer, Writer, Editor, Independent Television Service (ITVS), Independent Lens, 2008.

REVIEWS

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- Christian St. John, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Christian Film Guide, May 13, 2013. http://www.christianfilmguide.com/movie/23rd-psalm-redemption-2011/
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- Jared Mobarak, "10 Commandments of Chloe," *Jared Mabarak Design*, (blog). May 12, 2013. http://www.jaredmobarak.com/2013/05/12/10-commandments-of-chloe/
- Richard Propes, "'The 10 Commandments of Chloe' Demands Your Attention'," *The Independent Critic*, (blog). May 1, 2013. http://theindependentcritic.com/the_10_commandments_of_chloe
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- Staff, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," *Films de France*, (blog). 2013. http://filmsdefrance.com/revs/FDF_23rd_Psalm_Redemption_2011_review.html
- Staff, "The Ten Commandments of Chloe," *SoHo Journal*, (blog). 2013. http://www.sohojournal.com/content/ten-commndments-chloe-starring-naama-kates
- Brian Skutle, "The 10 Commandments of Chloe," Sonic Cinema, (blog). 2013. http://www.sonic-cinema.com/film_reviews_individual/1332/the-10-commandments-of-chloe
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- Richard Propes, "The 23rd Psalm," *The Independent Critic*, (blog). 2011. http://theindependentcritic.com/23rd_psalm
- Donna Rolfe, "The 23rd Psalm," The Dove Foundation, (blog). 2006. http://www.dove.org/reviewpopup.asp?Unique_ID=7732
- Rory L. Aronsky, "How To Make It Hollywood, Before You Make It," *Film Threat*, (blog). December 3, 2003. http://www.filmthreat.com/reviews/5080/

RADIO, TELEVISION, WEB

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PUBLICATIONS

- "How To Make It In Hollywood, Before You Make It," Trade Paperback, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "She's Gotta Have It: A Narrative Case Study," Trade Paperback, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "23rd Psalm," Fiction, Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Black Mambo," Fiction, Short Script, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Swingout," Fiction, Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Big Town," Fiction, Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Holmes: Mo's Revenge," Fiction, Teleplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Do For Love, Fiction," Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Head of the Creek," Fiction, Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Eye on the Sparrow," Fiction, Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "Ghetto Knights," Fiction, Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.
- "The Hill, Fiction," Screenplay, Scotts Valley, CA: CreateSpace, 2008.

LECTURES, TALKS

- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm: Redemption," Feature, *North Carolina Black Film Festival*, Wilmington, NC, May 16, 2013.
- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm," Feature, New York African Diaspora Film Festival, New York, NY, 2007.
- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm," Feature, Urban Film Screening Series, Washington, DC, July 2007.
- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Organization of Black Screenwriters (OBS)*, Los Angeles, CA, 2007.
- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Hollywood Black Film Festival*, Hollywood, CA, June 2007.
- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm," Feature, National Civil Rights Museum, Memphis, TN, April 2007.
- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm," Feature, *Pan-African Film & Arts Festival*, Los Angeles, CA, February 2007.
- Director's Q&A, "23rd Psalm," Feature, San Diego Black Film Festival, San Diego, CA, February 2007.
- Director's Q&A, "How To Make It In Hollywood, Before You Make It," Documentary, *Hollywood Black Film Festival*, Hollywood, CA, 2004.

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Expertise in all aspects of development, pre-production, production and post-production including: budgeting, casting, color correction, crew management, digital cinematography, directing talent, distribution, marketing, motion graphics, negotiating contracts, non-linear audio & video editing, and screenwriting.

<u>SOFTWARE</u>: Adobe After Effects, Adobe Premiere, EP Scheduling & Budgeting, Final Draft, Movie Magic Screenwriter.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for Technical Communication (STC), Member, 2019. Writers Guild of America, West (WGA), Member, 2001 - 2017. University Film & Video Association (UFVA), Member, 2012 - 2014. Screen Actors Guild (SAG), Member, 2006 - 2012. Motion Pictures Editors Guild (MPEG), IATSE Local 700, Member, 2007. Organization of Black Screenwriters (OBS), Member, 2003 - 2007.