



Roberto in action talking with Awá youth in Pambilar community. Awá territory, Katsa Su, December 2024.  
Photo by Juli Hazlewood.

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*The world can indeed change for the better. What we are doing here at Roots & Routes is a monumental task, but it is a viable one.*

*- Roberto López Torres*

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Roberto shares his journey from studying literature at the Central University of Venezuela to nearly 30 years in the audiovisual field. With a background in scriptwriting, video editing, and production, Roberto has worked for various Venezuelan TV stations and internationally. His work has always focused on political and social issues, using media to challenge injustice and raise awareness. This passion and expertise have now led him to take on the role of our new Communications Director.

Roberto has collaborated with international NGOs like Paz y Desarrollo, creating projects such as a [\*Revelando el Silencio\*](#) [Revealing the Silence] on Ecuadorian women who suffered violence and a documentary, [\*Pa'lante es Pa'llá\*](#) [Forward's Right in Front of Us] (2020), about their resilience. These experiences shaped his desire to use media as a tool for change. He is also passionate about communication, valuing the mutual learning that occurs through workshops and collaboration.

Roberto is inspired by Roots & Routes mission, particularly its focus on rescuing ancestral knowledge and fostering intercultural studies. As someone with Indigenous roots, he values the organization's efforts to validate these traditions and perspectives. He's also excited about the work with youth and the potential of social media to reach broader audiences.

Looking ahead, Roberto is eager to contribute to the geographical project and the distribution of *Together for Water* believing these initiatives are crucial for spreading important messages. He stresses the importance of participatory, transparent communication and the role of social media in fostering community-based dialogue and change.

We are excited for the lifetime of experience that Roberto brings to Roots & Routes!



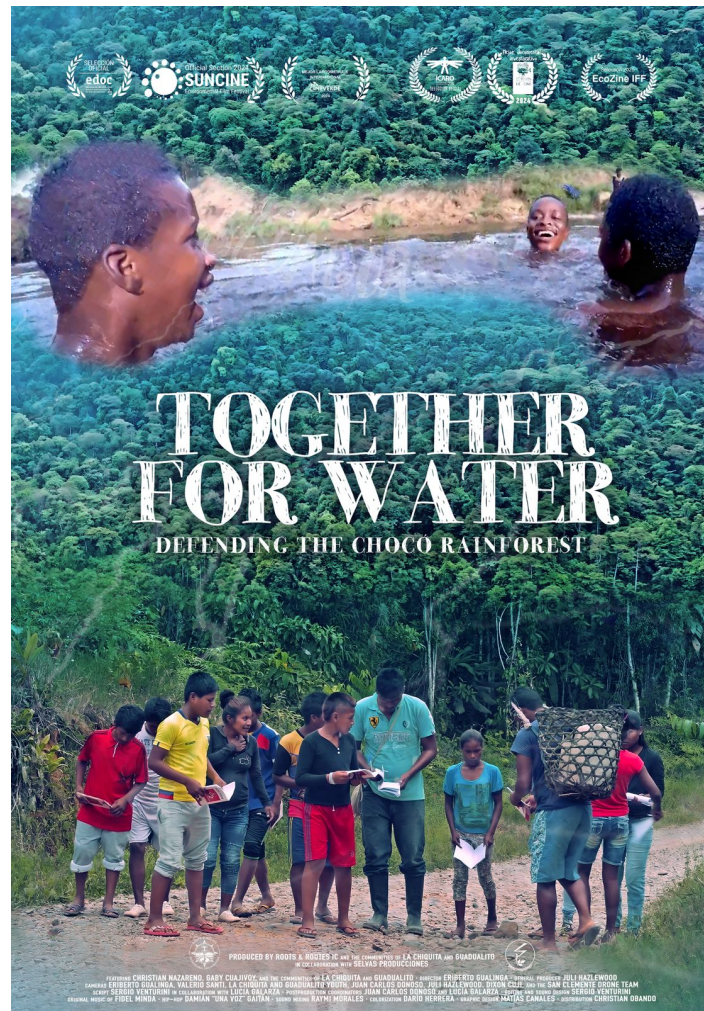
[Click Here to See Roberto's Portfolio Video Above!](#)

## ***Together for Water's Rebranding!***

Together with the communities of La Chiquita and Guadualito, our co-producer decided to give the documentary a new look, better reflecting the intercultural and collective processes that went into making our documentary. Thanks to our awesome graphic designer, Matias Canales, for the hard work and love he put into helping us create the right way to package our



film! We hope that you like the rebranding of *Together for Water*.



## ***Together for Water*** Makes Tracks ‘Round the World!

We are thrilled! One year ago our film was released back to La Chiquita and Guadualito co-producer communities...And now *Together for Water*'s CV is growing! From the roughcut preview in Colombia in September 2023 to the screening at USFQ Galapagos in January 2025, the film has traveled far and wide. Scroll to see not only where we've been, but where we're going! Donate to support our youth travel to represent and present their important tool for sharing their voices and their stories of struggle for hope and water justice!

Help Community Youth Travel with Our Film! 