CASEY O'CONNELL

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WRITER | FILMMAKER | STORYTELLER

Versatile producer and writer of video and podcast content. Effective project manager and film director with the ability to keep team members on track and the intuition to immediately anticipate needs. Passionate and proficient in pre-production research and coordination, post-production editing, and creative storytelling. Driven by the motivation to inspire human connection, my goal is to create empowering content and mentor the next generation of storytellers.

EDUCATION

THE NEW SCHOOL

M.A. in MEDIA STUDIES

- Media Theory
- Research Methods in Media Activism
- Media Practices: Design
- Screenwriting Analysis

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

B.A. in COMMUNICATIONS: MEDIA PRODUCTION Minor in English Writing

- Communication Studies & Practice
- Media & Society
- Film as a Medium
- Media Writing
- Filmmaking I, II, & III
- TV Studio Production
- Film as Cross-Cultural Communication

SKILLS

- Film Production, Editing, ٠ Photography
- Content Writing, **Creative Writing**
- Screenwriting (Celtx, Final Draft)

 Writing & Directing: From Script to Screen Creative Screenwriting

• Film and Civic Engagement

Audio & Radio Production

- Children & Media
- Script Analysis & Audience
- Response

Screenwriting

• Documentary &

Non-Fiction Film

Urban Cinema

Radio & TV Histories

• Experiencing Theater

• Experiences in Literature

Intro. to Creative Writing

- The Poetics of Witnessing • The Producer's Craft
- Projects in Digital Video Editing

Producing Webisodes

• Independent Study: Feature Screenplay

2014

GPA: 3.94

- Science Fiction/Fantasy
- Methods of Literary
- Intro. to Philosophy
- (transfer credit from Rowan University)
- Communications Capstone: Media Production
- Adobe Creative Suite • (Premiere, Lightroom, Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator)
- Audio, Podcast Production/Editing (Pro Tools, Audacity, Anchor)

FOR MORE

Vimeo | YouTube | Website | LinkedIn

- Analysis
- Experiences in Acting
- - Marketing, Design, Social Media (MailChimp, Hootsuite, WordPress, Squarespace, Canva)

2020 GPA: 3.97

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EXPERIENCE

COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST County of Ulster, Office of the County Executive (Kingston, NY)		2023
COMMUNICATIONS + MARKETING MANAGER The Woodstock Film Festival (Woodstock, NY)		2022 - 2023
MEDIA PRODUCTION SPECIALIST Big Life Journal <i>(Remote)</i>		2022
CIRCULATION CLERK The Field Library <i>(Peekskill, NY)</i>		2021 – 2022
CREATIVE ASSISTANT \rightarrow MULTIMEDIA MANAGER Lovingly (<i>Fishkill, NY</i>)		2020 – 2021
CONTENT WRITER Digitech Computer <i>(Chappaqua, NY)</i>		2020
PROJECT ASSISTANT & RESEARCH ASSISTANT The New School (New York, NY)		2018 – 2020
CONTENT CREATOR/WRITER Indiewalls (New York, NY)		2019
STUDENT TEACHER/GROUP LEADER Reel Works Teen Filmmaking (New York, NY)		2018
MARKETING ASSISTANT \rightarrow CONTENT COORDINATOR Berkeley College (<i>Paramus, NJ</i>)		2016 – 2018
CASTING & DEVELOPMENT INTERN Bray Entertainment (Hoboken, NJ)		2015
PERSONAL ASSISTANT Zuketunes, LLC (West Milford, NJ)		2013 – 2015
STUDENT TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT William Paterson University (Wayne, NJ)		2013 – 2014
ADDITIONAL TRAINING		
Sketch Comedy 101, Spring 2023 Serious Comedy Theatre	Intro to Acting & An Actor Prepares, 2017 New Jersey School of Dramatic Arts	Experiencing Acting, 2010 Rowan University

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PROJECTS & AWARDS

- In Quiet Spaces: A (Quarantine) Graphic Journal | Writer
- These Are Not Love Stories Documentary Short Film (2022) | Director
- Foraging for Floral Inventory, Flower Shop Secrets Podcast (2021) | Producer/Editor
- Team Fiona: Label Us Notorious Documentary Short Film (2019) | Director/Producer
 Assignment for Projects in Digital Video Editing at The New School
- Renters, Web-Series Pilot (2019) | Writer/Producer/Director
 Submission for Mixed Messages Showcase at The New School
- <u>Call My Name</u> Commercial (2018) | Coordinator BRONZE *Winner, Educational Advertising Awards*
- Emily Pross Commercial (2018) | Coordinator GOLD Winner, Educational Advertising Awards
- Hello Again Short Film (2014) | Writer/Director
 Nomination (Best Short), Hoboken International Film Festival
 Second Place (Advanced), William Paterson University Film Festival
- Mine Short Film (2014) | Writer/Director Viewer's Choice & First Place (Alternative), William Paterson University Film Festival Second Place Costello Award (University Short), Passaic County Film Festival

ARTICLES & BLOGS

- The Power of Film | 6 Films to Watch this Earth Day | The Woodstock Film Festival
- <u>Guilt-Free and Therapeutic TV Shows to Fill Your Heart in a Time of Social-Distancing</u> | Cleverish Magazine
- <u>Mentorship 101 | Parsons Academy Student Inspires Younger Generation to Have</u> <u>Confidence in Their Career Goals | Author & Alumna Joanna Cantor Meditates on Grieving</u> <u>with New Novel</u> | Open Campus at The New School
- <u>6 Resources to Help Interior Designers Increase a Space's Storytelling Potential | How</u> <u>Standout Hotel Art Can Make a Difference for Travelers | Indiewalls</u>
- Getting to Know Deanna Kamiel | Immediacy at The New School
- A 5-Step Guide to Starting a Socially Impactful Business | Cause Artist

RESEARCH

 <u>The Media & Ending Relationship Abuse: How #MeToo Inspires Confidence in Solidarity for</u> Younger Generations

SKETCHES & SCREENPLAYS

<u>F-Boy Jack</u> Family Waiting Here Comes My Girl Full of Shit <u>Grace</u> <u>Emotional Vampires</u>

FOR MORE