# Alex Thompson

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2015-APRIL 2017

2008-2012

**DePaul University, Chicago, IL** - *Masters of Fine Arts, Directing* 

**DePauw University, Greencastle, IN** - Bachelor of Arts

## **Professional Experience** (Above-the-Line)

### FEATURE FILMS

**Brother Sister** - Director, Producer (Completed, Festival Submission)

• Winner "Best Feature" Mexico International Film Competition

**Our Father** - Producer (Festival Submission)

**King Rat** - Producer, Casting Director (Festival Submission)

• Winner "Audience Choice Award" Indy Film Fest

### SHORT FILMS

**Drive Slow** - Executive Producer **Bedrooms** - Director. Producer

 Grand Prize Winner In/Motion Film Festival, Flatlands International Film Festival, Jacksonville Dance Film Festival, Chicago in the Parks; In Competition, Polish International Film Festival

The New Zealander - Director, Producer

• Mediums Festival, Premiere Film Festival

Calumet - Director, Producer

• Special Jury Prize Winner Rome International Film Festival, World Arts Film Festival, Cut! Film Festival, Chicago in the Parks

Irene & Marie - Director, Producer

• Newport Beach Film Festival, 2014 Gabby Awards, San Francisco Greek Film Festival

#### WEB/TV

#### **Humane Resources** - Director

Austin Webfest, LA Indie Fest, Global Web Series Festival

**Drive Slow** - Producer (Pilot, Development)

Accepted into the 2017 New York Television Festival

#### COMMERCIAL

**Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago** (Affirming Care) - *Producer/Director, Editor* 

BMW/Northwestern - HBN Video - Producer

**Ziyad -** WIld Garden Recipe Web Videos - Director, Producer **Zalatimo Sweets -** Jiddo Baklava Spots - Director, Producer, Editor

## **Production Experience**

#### FEATURE FILMS

Brother Sister - 1st Assistant Director Our Father - 1st Assistant Director Warren - Key Set PA White Frog - Key Set PA Beyond Paradise - Casting Assistant Saving Lincoln - Casting Intern In Between- Casting Intern

#### COMMERCIAL

Ziyad Brothers (Ramadan Spots, Wild Garden) - Editor (30 spots for Ramadan)
Forward Motion Media (Frigo Game Day, Mr. Muscle) - 1st Assistant Director
Melissa Costello (Scott Drury for Governor, Urban Oasis) - Editor
Wild Garden - Editor (9 spots for Facebook)
Dearing Group - 1st Assistant Director

TV

Mind Games Season 1 (ABC) - Production Assistant (Base Camp) Christmas Twister (SyFy) - Key Set PA

#### SHORT FILMS

Grace & Betty - 1st Assistant Director
Or Your Money Back - 1st Assistant Director
Friends Who Like Nickelback- 1st Assistant Director
Google Me Love - Key Set PA
Wild Horses - Set PA

# **Teaching Experience**

**Chicago Filmmakers** - Adlai Stevenson High School Summer Camp Sole Instructor (2017)

**The Green Room** - "The Shoot" 8-Week Class

Creator & Sole Instructor (2017)

**DePauw University** - "Producing the Feature" Workshop Instructor (2016)

Free Spirit Media - Chicago Tracks Program

Mentor & Instructor (2015-present)

**DePauw University** - "Producing the Short" Workshop and Screening Instructor (2014)

**DePauw University -** "Irene & Marie" Workshop and Screening Instructor (2013)

**Chicago Community Television (CCTV)** 

Instructor (2012)