


# NICOLAS ABAUNZA

CINEMATOGRAPHER /  
EDITOR/COLORIST

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## EDUCATION

### Bachelor: Film making- Camera, Sound and Light.

ESEC (École supérieure d'études  
cinématographiques) 2009-2012

Paris 75012, France

## LANGUAGES

french



spanish



english



## EXPERIENCE WITH SOFTWARES

Adobe Premiere pro

Final cut Pro X

Davinci resolve

Jira

## EXPERIENCE WITH EQUIPMENT

Arri cameras (alexa classic, mini, xt,  
amira, LF, 35) / red cameras (scarlet,  
epic, dragon, weapon, gemeni, etc..) /  
sony cameras (f series, Venice, etc..) /  
Blackmagic caméras (all cameras)  
/ dslrs (canon, panasonic, sony) /  
optics (cookes, zeiss, arri, kowa,  
lomo, leica, etc..) and more.

## PROFILE

As a cinematographer and filmmaker, my passion for visual storytelling is deeply rooted. Beginning my career as a camera assistant on film sets and commercial productions allowed me to develop a diverse range of skill set and a flexible artistic vision. I am continually eager to tackle new challenges to enhance my craft. In my present capacity as a cinematographer, my aim is to create compelling visuals and narratives that resonate profoundly with viewers.

## SKILLS

- Collaborated with production crews and creative teams to conceptualize and execute visual strategies for films and videos, overseeing the entire process from pre-production to post-production, including color grading.
- Proficient in working closely with directors to establish a coherent and impactful visual narrative for projects.
- Adaptable to diverse shooting styles and production schedules, ranging from guerrilla-style documentaries to more observational and relaxed approaches.
- Thrived in dynamic production settings, consistently meeting demanding deadlines.
- Expertise in harnessing both natural and artificial lighting to achieve specific visual aesthetics.
- Operated and maintained a wide range of cinema cameras, lenses, gimbals, and related equipment.
- Skilled in collaborating with various crew members such as gaffers, assistant camera operators, grips, and art department personnel.
- Crafted cinematic atmospheres and visuals through adept manipulation of lighting and composition.
- Oversaw camera equipment inventory in conjunction with assistant camera operators, ensuring optimal functionality of all gear.
- Stayed abreast of the latest developments in camera technology and trends within cinematography.
- Proficient in color correction and grading using DaVinci Resolve and editing in adobe premiere pro and final cut pro.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Cinematographer

- **Feature film Hybrid fiction/Documentary** "MY SKIN AND I" by Milton Guillen and Fiona Hall. (*work in progress*)
- **Feature film documentary** "NINE" directed by Jeremy Levine and Rachael Decruz (*work in progress*)
- **Documentary** for North Western university, "The Son of Genocide", kenya/Chicago, <https://vimeo.com/372927828>
- **Award-winning short film** "Trail", directed by Vincent Ménard, <https://vimeo.com/910438841>
- **Documentary** "The RETURN", directed by Jeremy Levine for Al Jazeera and Suffolk University <https://www.aljazeera.com/program/witness/2024/10/21/the-return-how-trumps-border-policies-tore-a-family-apart>
- **Corporate video** for "Food for the poor", Produced by Rossana Baumeister. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zrt7smjPQbM>

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## CINEMATOGRAPHER

### AWARDS

- *Chicago Filmmaker Award 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *Vancouver Movie Awards 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *Vaughan International Film Festival 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *Hong Kong Indie Film Festival 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *Florida short 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *Vienna Indie Short Film Festival 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *Toronto independent film festival of Cift 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *Digital Griffix Film Awards 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*
- *New York Cinematography Awards 2023 for the short film "TRAIL".*

### REFERENCES

#### Milton Guillen (Director)

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#### Jeremy Levine (Director)

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#### Vincent Menard (Director)

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#### Rossana Baumeister (Producer)

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Documentary** for the BBC "The Island Utopia that became a Social Experiment", [https://www.bbc.com/reel/video/p09bh2bz/the-island-utopia-that-became-a-social-experiment?fbclid=IwAR0QEAxOXouJi0eh-070hp2HKDTo\\_zUG9a509ARiwKAsWes3nnbQRxMWXJ8](https://www.bbc.com/reel/video/p09bh2bz/the-island-utopia-that-became-a-social-experiment?fbclid=IwAR0QEAxOXouJi0eh-070hp2HKDTo_zUG9a509ARiwKAsWes3nnbQRxMWXJ8)
- **Documentary** "Bassam" for Colby College, turkey, Istanbul, directed by Nicolas Abaunza y Milton Guillen <https://vimeo.com/325910764>
- **Documentary** "Haulover Baiki Sakan" for HORA ZERO, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpqxRIUjgUQ>
- **Commercial spot** for Spanish Nicaraguan Cultural Center in nicaragua (CCEN) <https://vimeo.com/521532483>
- **Short documentary** "True North" series Colby College, Washington DC, USA - <https://vimeo.com/264138075>
- **Short documentary** "True North" series Colby College, Bronx, New York, USA <https://vimeo.com/245834518>
- **Documentary** "Living with volcanic gases", for the VolFilms series with CaLé Producciones <https://vimeo.com/326638232>
- **Awarded documentary** "Maji" for Colby College, <https://vimeo.com/194978787> (silver award)
- **Comercial spot** for White Shark Media, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Crv0js5LFJ0>
- **Contemporary dance video** La Soga, managua, nicaragua, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6Y6yi6U294>
- **Corporated documentary** for Fundacion fabreto, managua, nicaragua, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1O68d4MF8>
- **Music video**, "bajo tus cenizas", managua, nicaragua [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMe\\_tUAXtwc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMe_tUAXtwc)
- **Short docs series** for European Union in nicaragua, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j5C0--XplpU/> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3HUDVEo6Y7w/> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9VIQ29KKVds>
- **Experimental short film** for colby college "trompe l'oeil" <https://vimeo.com/287332007>
- **Experimental video** for Colby College, Waterville Maine, USA - "Origin" <https://vimeo.com/325986430>
- **TV spot** for "Claro Nicaragua" Lupe Lupe S.A, Managua [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_BJjZRS6FAM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_BJjZRS6FAM)
- **Music video** for Cierta guis producciones, Managua <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aOmUQJmF4MI>
- **TV spot** for "Claro Nicaragua" Lupe Lupe S.A, Managua <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=blMekZqmNzl>