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PROFESSIONAL FILMOGRAPHY

- 2022**
- SISTERS**
live action feature, 104 min, Latvia/Italy, dir. Linda Olte - producer
grand prix "Competition 1-2", 37th Warsaw International film festival
FIPRESCI award, 37th Warsaw International film festival
participation in the Warsaw International Film festival, Tallinn Black Nights, London Baltic, Lübeck Nordic Film Days, RIGA IFF and other film festivals
7 nominations for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
Screen International award at the MIA Market film market
- NEON SPRING**
live action feature, 102 min, Latvia - director, writer, producer
participation in the Edinburgh International Film festival, International Film Festival of India, Tel Aviv, London Baltic, RIGA IFF, b2 Biennale, Helsinki "Love & Anarchy" and other film festivals
5 nominations for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
"Works in Progress" award at the Baltic Event film market, Tallinn Black Nights Film festival
- THE TASTE OF WATER**
live action feature, 107 min, Latvia - director, writer, producer
participation in the Tallinn Black Nights Film festival
2 nominations for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
- 2021**
- WILD EAST**
live action feature, 95 min, Latvia - director, writer, producer
5 nominations for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
"Lielais Kristaps" award in the category "Best Supporting Actress" - Agnese Budovska
- IMAD'S CHILDHOOD**
documentary feature, 78 min, Sweden/Latvia, dir. Zahavi Sanjavi - producer
grand prix, Tempo Documentary Festival (Sweden)
participation at the HotDocs, Saloniku, DocAviv and other film festivals
- 2020**
- AT THE MOVIES**
live action feature, 87 min, Latvia - director, writer, producer
1 nomination for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
- THE WANDERERS**
documentary feature, 91 min, Latvia/Sweden - director, writer, producer
2 nominations for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
- WHEN YOU LOOK AT ME**
short, 18 min, Latvia - director, writer, production designer, producer
participation in the 2Annas film festival, RIGA IFF
- 2019**
- MEMORIES FROM EARTH**
short, 8 min, Latvia, dir. Kirils Ēcis - producer
participation in the Riga International Film festival
- 2018**
- MEYERHOLD'S FLIGHT**
short, 18 min, Latvia/USA - director, writer, producer
participation in the Riga International Film festival

1 nomination for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"

THE MAN AND THE DAHLIAS

documentary short, 38 min, Latvia, dir. Guntis Bojārs - producer

award in the category "Best Debut", Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"

- 2017** **ONE TICKET PLEASE**
documentary feature, 65 min, Latvia/USA - director, producer
award for best debut at the NewDoc Tempo Documentary Festival (Sweden)
"New York Perspectives" award at the Winter Film Awards (USA)
award for best documentary at the Pure Dreams film festival (Russia)
participation in the Krakow, Gothenburg, Kerala, BelDocs, EU FF China and other film festivals
A nomination for the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
FIPRESCI award, "Diena" special award the Latvian national film awards "Lielais Kristaps"
- 2016** **THE RETURN**
documentary, 52 min, Sweden/Latvia, dir. Zahavi Sanjavi - co-producer
participation in the IDFA, Saloniku, Docudays UA, Tempo and other film festivals
- 2014** **THE SHORT DAY**
documentary short, 26 min, Latvia, dir. Una Celma - assistant director
- 2013** **MY FAMILY TREE**
documentary feature, 74 min, Latvia, dir. Una Celma - writer
- 2012** **MONTH OF THE WITCHES**
documentary feature, 96 min, Latvia, dir. Una Celma - writer
- 2008** **FINDING ELVIS**
live-action feature, 78 min, Latvia, dir. Una Celma - actor (role Tomass)

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2022 - today** **TRICKSTER PICTURES, Latvia**
founder, producer, Chairman of the Board
- 2015-2022** **DEEP SEA STUDIOS, Latvia**
animation producer
- 2011-2022** **FENIXFILM, Latvia**
producer
- 2015-2022** **ASSOCIATION "JEST", Latvia**
member of the Board, curator of cultural events and educational programmes

EDUCATION

- 2022 - today** **LATVIAN ACADEMY OF CULTURE, Latvia**
professional doctorate programme "Arts"
- 2019-2021** **LATVIAN ACADEMY OF CULTURE, Latvia**
M.A. Audiovisual & Performative Art, specialization in Film Directing
- 2018** **AFI CONSERVATORY, USA**
M.F.A. Directing
- 2014-2018** **NYU TISCH SCHOOL OF THE ARTS, USA**
B.F.A. Film & Television, minor in Dramatic Literature, summa cum laude

2011-2014

RIGA CENTRE HUMANITARIAN SECONDARY SCHOOL, Latvia
general secondary education

ORGANISATIONS

European Film Academy, member
EAVE Producers, member
The Film Directors Guild of Latvia, member
The Screenwriters Guild of Latvia, member
Film Producers Association of Latvia, member
The Latvian Filmmakers Union, member of the Board

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