

SONIA K. HADAD

Writer /
Director

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Winner of prestigious awards at the Sundance Film Festival, the American Film Institute (Grand Jury and Oscar-qualifying Award), and other acknowledged festivals. Award-winning film director, writer, creative director, and producer skilled in all facets of media arts, including filmmaking, research, production, art directing, and editing, with expertise in art management and industrial media producing.

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

- 9/2014 – **Master of Fine Arts (MFA)**
4/2017 Emerson College, Boston, MA, USA.
Film and Media Arts. Thesis: "Personal, A Privacy at Risk", Advisor: Hassan Ilda
- 9/2006 – **Bachelor of Arts (BA)**
9/2010 Azad University of Art and Architecture, Tehran, Iran. Theatre, Minored in Dramatic Literature and Play Writing

ART & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- 6/2023 – **Senior Creative consultant (Full time)**
PRESENT Negin Creative Agency, Tehran, Iran
- 2/2024 – **Writer, Director, and Creative Director**
3/2024 **(Freelance)** Karnameh Co, Tehran, Iran
- 3/2022 – **Senior Creative Writer (Full time)**
6/2023 MAAT Advertising Agency, Tehran, Iran
- 4/2023 **President of Juries, Film Festival (Freelance)**
Dieciminuti Film Festival, Ceccano, Italy
- 10/2022 – **Content Writer (Part-time)**
9/2021 Avand Mobile, Tehran, Iran
- 3/2018 – **International Artists Manager**
5/2018 36th Fajr International Film Festival, Tehran, Iran
- 4/2017 – **Archival Researcher and Producer Assistant**
8/2017 **(Freelance)** Northern Light Productions
Boston, MA
- 2/2015 – **Producer and Creative Consultant (Part-time)**
10/2017 Mass Media Expo (Massachusetts Production Coalition), Boston, MA
- 1/2017 **International Film Juror**
Baku cinema International Film Festival, Baku, Azerbaijan
- 1/2016 – **Production Assistant, Segment Editor**
1/2017 "Sing That Thing" WGBH choral singing competition TV Show, Boston, MA

FILM/ TV PRODUCTION & AWARDS

- 3/2022 **Writer and Director**
"FILE", Short Narrative Film, Tehran, Iran
(In process) Directing, Script writing
Awards: • Stockholm Film Festival, Sweden, The Best Short Film Award, +10 Awards recognitions
Festivals: More than 20 Festival participations
- 2/2019 **Writer and Director**
"EXAM", Short Narrative Film, Tehran, Iran
Directing, Script writing
- 2019 **Awards:** • AFI
Grand Jury Award for the Best Fiction Short
- 2020 • SUNDANCE International Film Festival
The Best Actress Award
• + 10 more Awards recognitions
- 2019 **Festivals:** • Official Selection, Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF), Canada
• + 100 Festival participations
- 1/2017 **Writer, Director, Producer, and Editor**
"PERSONAL", Short Narrative Film, Tehran, Iran
Directing, Script writing
- 2017 • Winner of "Best Boston Short Film" Award,
Boston Short Film Festival, Boston
- 2017 • Winner of "Best Women Filmmaker" Award,
Barcelona Plant Film Festival, Barcelona
- 2016 **Writer, Director, and Producer**
"THE BOX" an Award-Winning short narrative film,
Boston, MA. Directing, Script writing
- 2016 • Winner of the "Best Cinematography"
Romania 12-Month International Film Festival
Bucharest, Romania
- 2016 • Official Selection, for the Los Angeles Short
Film Festival, Los Angeles
- 2015 **Writer, Director and Editor**
"A REQUIEM OF PEACE" a video art, Boston, MA
Screened at IN+OUT Media Art Exhibition
- 2015 **Cinematographer and Editor**
"WHY?" a short documentary, Boston, MA

LANGUAGES

Farsi (Persian) Native Language
English Fluent
Turkish Intermediate