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# CRAIG MAARSCHALK

I have 13 years of experience in shooting and lighting for documentary, narrative, studio, reality and advertising environments. I have headed up large crews delegating to full technical teams as well as worked in streamlined crews for documentary shoots. I am a team player and enjoy collaborating with other dedicated people to craft compelling images and narratives. During my career I have cultivated a dedication to telling human stories.

I enjoy the travel that my work brings and have shot on location throughout South Africa, Lesotho, Nigeria, Ghana, Zambia, Australia, Ukraine, and the United States.

## AWARDS RECEIVED

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- 2020: SAFTA Nomination for Best Youth Programme, *MTV Shuga IRL SE03*
- 2019: SAFTA Nomination for Best Cinematography, TV comedy, *Hotel SE02*
- 2018: SAFTA Nomination for Best Cinematography, TV comedy, *Phil101*
- 2018: SAFTA Nomination for Best Current Affairs, *Life Esidemeni*
- 2018: SAFTA Winner for Best Youth Programme, *MTV Shuga IRL Season 2*
- 2016: SAFTA Winner for Best Youth Programme, *Life in a Day MTVbase*
- 2014: Best Cinematography (+ Best Film), Fusion Doc Challenge at Slamdance for *I am Juli*
- 2012: PROMAX *Mandela Day commercial For SABC*
- 2010: Best Foreign Film, Istanbul Architecture Film Festival *Litshe le Golide*

## FILM FESTIVALS

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- 2018: *When I grow Up I want to be a Black Man*. Wintertur, Rotterdam, Gothenburg
- 2016: *Timelines*. DIFF, Jozi Film Fest
- 2014: *I am Juli*. Slamdance, Flicker fest
- 2011: *Garden of Ancestors*. Encounters,, Durban International Film Festival, Tri-continental Film Festival, Montreal International Black Film Festival
- 2010: *Litshe le Golide*. Istanbul Architecture Film Festival and awarded Best Foreign Film
- 2009: *Jozi Kings*. Durban International Film Festival, African theatrical release
- 2009: *Flat 13*. Official Selection Durban International Film Festival

## EDUCATION

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[2005-2008] B.A. with Honours, AFDA Johannesburg

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### **[2021-2013] Cinematographer, TIA Productions, Johannesburg**

- Documentary: USAID-Lesotho documentary. *MTV Shuga IRL* documentary series (Nigeria + South Africa SE01-3), UNICEF Healthy Eating advocacy, *AL GORE Climate Change* documentary South African leg. *MTV 16 and Pregnant* (Nigeria). *Being Trans in the Eastern Cape* documentary ETV. Various Carte Blanche stories, *Timelines*, *Nigerian PTDF* (Nigeria), *ENCA Mountain bike academy*, *The Death of Gift Makau*, *Ward 13*, *Ward 22*, *Fatherland*
- Commercials: Shugas Back, Vodacom Super Gees campaign - Cheetahs
- TV shows: *Talk with Kwangu* Season Two (Zambia), *BET Hunters experience* (NYC, LA), *MTV Klipdrift Kasi Street Bash*, *MTV Youth of Today* - 2 episodes, *MTV Choose or Lose* - 3 Episodes: Julius Malema, Helen Zille, Jacob Zuma, *MTV Meets: Michelle Obama*, *MTV African All Stars* (Nigeria), *MTV Coca-Cola Rock corp.* MTV Channel content: interviews with Busta Rhymes, Pharrell Williams. Event coverage: J&B Met, Jameson's party, Macdonald's brand activation, links, inserts and channel transitions
- Museum Content: *Oliver Tambo biography*

### **[2021-2021] Cinematographer, Hello Circus, Johannesburg**

- Mary Sibande - Unhand me demon. Artist profile
- Liberty life - "in it with you" TVC

### **[2021-2020] Cinematographer, First Pencil, Johannesburg**

- RCL foods Manifesto Shoot

- [2021-2018] Cinematographer, Mamela, Johannesburg**
  - BidorBuy online content
- [2021-2012] Cinematographer, Mann Made Media, Johannesburg**
  - Corporate: ABSA, Standard bank, Bank of Athens/Grow Bank, SASOL, SAB, BMW, Toyota, Barclays, Karan Beef, SU Summit, AVON
- [2020-2019] Cinematographer, T and W, Johannesburg**
  - *Eziko kwaZama* (pilot shoot), *The Heat* (pilot shoot), *Chasing the Sun*
- [2020-2017] Director of Photography, Blackboard Trust, Johannesburg**
  - Short Film: *When I Grow Up I want to be a Black Man*
  - Documentary: *Blend in*
- [2019-2013] Cinematographer, Happy Hand Grenade**
  - Documentary: National Geographic - Sun Gazer Lizard
  - Commercials: LOTTO, Pedigree doci-style campaign, KFC Add Hope campaign, KFC mini cricket with the South African Proteas
- [2018] Director of Photography, Oxyg3n Media, Johannesburg**
  - Reality: *Abnormal Loads* for Discovery
- [2018] Director of Photography, Rapid Blue, Johannesburg**
  - Reality: *Human Zoo* pilot (for UK broadcast), *Strictly Come Dancing* - title sequence
- [2018] Director of Photography, Wall to Wall Media, Johannesburg**
  - Reality: *Long Lost Family* (for UK broadcast)
- [2018-2011] Director of Photography, I Love That Productions, Johannesburg**
  - Reality: *Ones and Twos Season 3-5* (SABC1), *TOMZ Season 1-2*, each series 24 episodes
  - Corporate: CSIR – SKA telescope
- [2018-2017] Cinematographer, Dotkomrade productions, Johannesburg**
  - FIYRE Fitness App Commercial shoot
  - Online content: REVLON *I define myself*, Darling hair
  - Corporate: Herman Miller, RMB bank
- [2017-2016] Director of Photography, NouVanaand, Johannesburg**
  - Drama Series: *Hotel Season 1- 2* (kykNET), *Phil101* (kykNET)
- [2017-2010] Cinematographer, Admit One, Johannesburg**
  - TV Shows: MK's Prikkepop, kykNET's Afri Visie
  - Commercial: Vodacom Springbok App
  - Online: Kaizer Chiefs Mobile Staterpack
  - Promos: Super Sport, DSTV Mobile, World Golf, Rugby World Cup commercials
- [2016] Director of Photography, Launch Factory, Johannesburg**
  - Reality Series: *Health Line Season 6* (Ghana)
- [2015-2010] Cinematographer, Lucky Bean, Johannesburg**
  - TV Shows: MNET's *My Story*
  - Commercials: State of the Nation address, Channel Editorial for SABC 1, 2, 3, Mandela day, Budget Speech, TeamSA
  - Corporate: Wrigley's, UNISA, Roche, Anglo-American, ABSA
  - Music Videos: various
- [2015-2014] Cinematographer, Spaghetti TV, Johannesburg**
  - Corporate: PPC cement, ABSA, Telkom, Different Life
- [2015] Cinematographer, Echo Ledge, Johannesburg**
  - Documentary: *Kalahari LGBTI* (working title)
- [2014] Cinematographer, Totem Media, Johannesburg**
  - 7 screen installation: Mphebatho Museum
- [2014] Cinematographer, Carte Blanche/Oscar Pistorius channel**
  - Content for Pistorius dedicated news channel
- [2014-2012] Cinematographer, PheZulu Media, Johannesburg**
  - Tsogo Sun in-house entertainment
- [2013-2012] Cinematographer, Quizzical Pictures, Johannesburg**
  - Swart Water TV series (Shoot day 76)
  - Camera 2: *MasterChef SA* Season 2 Johannesburg leg – camera operator, multicam

- [2013-2012] Cinematographer, *The Kinetic*, Johannesburg**
  - Corporate: Idwala Industrial Holdings, Exxaro Mining
- [2013] Cinematographer, *Schuks Your Country Needs You***
  - Camera operator
- [2013] Cinematographer, *Donker Land TV Drama Reeks*, Johannesburg**
  - Camera operating, second unit
- [2013] Cinematographer, *Fix Post*, Johannesburg**
  - Corporate: Agility Global Health Solutions
- [2012-2011] Cinematographer, *Mannequin Pictures*, Johannesburg**
  - Comedy Central's *Live at Parker's*, episodes 4,5,7,8 Season 1, camera operator
  - Sonny & Chiba clothing label launch
- [2012] Cinematographer, *Primadonna Productions*, Johannesburg**
  - Music Video: Funeka Peppeta's *Perpetual*
- [2012] Cinematographer, *Team Best*, Johannesburg**
  - KFC mini-cricket with SA Proteas
- [2012] Cinematographer, *Bun in the Oven*, Johannesburg**
  - Doccie content for *Great Expectations*
- [2011] Cinematographer, *Big Fish*, Johannesburg**
  - *Garden of Ancestors*. Official selections: Encounters Documentary Film Festival, Durban International Film Festival, Tri-continental Film Festival, Montreal International Black Film Festival
- [2011] Cinematographer, *Eject Media*, Johannesburg**
  - Commercials: Scoin Shop, SABC Rugby World Cup Countdown
- [2011] Cinematographer, *Stephanus Rabie Productions*, Johannesburg**
  - 13-part series for kykNET *Jan Braai vir Erfnes*
- [2010] Cinematographer, *Kamakazi productions*, Johannesburg**
  - Director of Photography, feature film: *The Unforgiving*, South African theatrical release
- [2010] Cinematographer, *Towerkop Creations*, Johannesburg**
  - Documentary: *Good Planets are Hard to Find*, European leg in Chernobyl
- [2010] Cinematographer, *Foxwood Films*, Johannesburg**
  - *Robinson Regstreeks* – current affairs content
- [2010] Cinematographer, *New vision pictures*, Johannesburg**
  - 24-part series *CremaCartel* for Vuzu Entertainment
- [2009] Cinematographer, *Black Irish*, Johannesburg**
  - Director of Photography, feature film: *Jozi Kings*.
- [2009] Cinematographer, *Red Pepper*, Johannesburg**
  - Documentary: *Flat 13*. Official Selection Durban International Film Festival.
  - TV Shows: Crazee, Club 808
- [2009] Cinematographer, *Independent film*, Johannesburg**
  - *Litshe le Golide*

## REFERENCES (CONTACT DETAILS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST)

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Chris Green	Mamela / T and W
Tarryn Crossman	TIA Productions
Bryony Webster	First Pencil
Guy Spiller	Totem Media
Jyoti Mistry	Blackboard Trust