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SUMMARY

A recent graduate from UCLA's Extension program, Eva is a passionate entertainment professional from Germany. Since she moved to Los Angeles, she brought her organisational skills to a variety of assistant positions and honed her storytelling skills as a short form producer, writer and director, for example at BuzzFeed's "Tasty" branch.

EDUCATION AND FURTHER TRAINING

- 2014 - 2017 **Feature Film Writing Certificate**, UCLA Extension, Writer's Program
Thesis script STRINGS OF HOPE: ScreenCraft Screenwriting Fellowship Quarterfinalist
- 2014 - 2016 **Directing Certificate**, UCLA Extension, Entertainment Studies Program
- 2013 - 2014 **MFA Directing**, American Film Institute Conservatory
- 2008 - 2012 **BA Photodesign**, University of Applied Sciences, Munich; Design Program; GPA: 3.97

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (Film & TV)

- since 01/17 **Freelance Writer/Director, Editor and Photographer** (*see projects/credits on IMDb & Website*)
- since 08/17 **Subtitle Translator/Proofreader (English-German)**, Moravia (*client: Popular fortune 500 media company*)
- 06/17-7/17 **Consultant, Unscripted Development (Temp)**, BobCat Studios (Unscripted TV)
Research for unscripted shows, ideation for new shows, designing decks for network pitches, editing casting reels
- 06/16-12/16 **Buzzfeed Motion Pictures Intern (Tasty & Einfach Tasty)**, BuzzFeed, Inc. (Social Media Food Content)
Conceptualizing, shooting, editing and assisting for food videos on BuzzFeed's "Tasty" and "Einfach Tasty" pages; Translating videos and recipes for German page "Einfach Tasty"
- 04/15-06/15 **Development Intern**, Constantin Film, Los Angeles (Film & Television Projects)
Script notes/coverage, social media monitoring, office management and project & talent research for L.A. branch of German company
- 10/12-01/13 **Assistant Editor / Editor (dayplayer)**, Regiepapst, Munich (Unscripted TV)
Logging and managing content, assembling rough cuts for 'Austria's Next Topmodel'
- 09/12 **Floor Runner / Set PA**, Summerstorm Entertainment, Munich (International Feature Film Production)
Assisting set manager, assisting still photographer, translating between German production and English crew
- 09/10 - 02/11 **Producer's Assistant**, Embassy of Dreams, Munich (Commercials)
Daily office management, production managing tasks, creative work on low-budget productions, Set PA tasks

RECENT SHORT FILM AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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| STRINGS OF HOPE (9 min) | Premiered at Oscar-qualifying LA Shorts Festival in September 2016 |
| THE FIRST SUPPER (5 min) | Winner - SHOOTOUT 48-Hour Challenge by Filmmakers Alliance, 2015 |
| MY LAST RESPECTS (9 min) | Silver Winner (Experimental) - Intl. Independent Film Awards, Los Angeles, 2014 |
| MOONLIT NIGHT (10 min) | Winner (Best Student Short) - California International Shorts Festival, Los Angeles, 2012 |
| LAUREL HUMMEL SCHOLARSHIP | UCLA Extension, Winter Quarter 2015 |
| SCHOLARSHIP OF THE DEAN | American Film Institute Conservatory, Los Angeles 2013-2014 |
| JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP | Hanns-Seidel Foundation, Munich 2011-2012 |

LANGUAGES & TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES

German (fluent), **English** (fluent)

Software: MS Office (Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook), Adobe Photoshop/Premiere/InDesign, Final Cut, Avid, Final Draft

Social Media: Writing and managing a bilingual filmmaking blog <http://blog.evasaunders.com>

SPECIAL INTERESTS

Archaic forms of storytelling (fairy tales, myths & puppeteers), yoga, baking, classical music, psychology, teaching, squash

Full filmography and references available upon request.