

Joseph Christiana - Biography

Joseph Christiana, producer and founder of Christiana Productions, is a self-taught New York-based guerrilla filmmaker. He has produced two features and three short films which have been received enthusiastically at various film festivals, on indie film websites and on short film cable television shows. His feature film, THE DYING LIGHT recently screened at The Teaneck International Film Festival to overwhelming emotional response from the sold-out audience. It is now being distributed by StraightAway Movies. His latest short film FAMOUS is set to screen as part of the Newfilmmakers Program at Anthology in New York on March 5th, 2008. He is currently in production on MOTEL AMERICANA, a feature length collection of short films, due out late 2008. In addition, he has enjoyed numerous successes with his screenplays in various competitions. His collaborators include producer (and brother) Anthony Christiana, cinematographer William Bourassa Jr., playwright Joseph Taverney, and musicians Mike Kamoo (of Earthling Records) and Ron Muga.

He is currently the Creative Director for a New York Industrial Design Fabricator and resides in North Jersey with his family.

Selected Work

GODARD article 5/2008

Article about Jean Lu Godard for Moving Pictures Magazine. To be published in May of 2008.

FAMOUS – 2008

Experimental Short Documentary

Official Selection NewFilmmakers Series, March 5th, 2008

THE DYING LIGHT - 2007

Feature Film

Official Selection The Teaneck Int'l Film Festival 2006

Distributed by Straightaway Movies and IndieFlix

Soon to be available on Netflix

CAGED - 2005

Feature Film

Completed, unreleased.

Screenplay, semifinalist in Francis Ford Coppola's Zoetrope Screenplay competition (top 60 out of 2200)

Screenplay, semifinalist in Writemovies.com Screenplay Competition (top 75 out of 1500).

THE WAY YOU CHEW - 2004

Short Film

Official Selection San Francisco Short Film Festival 2005

Official Selection Chicago Short Film Festival 2005

Official Selection Seattle True Independent Film Festival 2005

Official Selection Zeitgeist Short Film Festival 2005

SHAMAN - 2003

Short film

Official selection San Diego International Film Festival

Official selection Toronto Super-8 Film Festival

Local Cult favorite in Ocean Beach San Diego, renting on a daily basis out of local video store.

Filmmaker spotlight awarded in The Beacon, December 2002

BLESSED ARE THOSE - 2002

Short Film

Screened on Manhattan Cable's Show Your Shorts Television Program, September 2001

Official selection Alwaysi.com International Film Festival (four out of five stars). Filmmaker spotlight awarded to Mr. Christiana on the website.

(Joseph Christiana – filmography cont'd)

CAPTAIN QUIXOTE - 2005

Unproduced Screenplay, semifinalist in Austin Film Festival Int'l
Screenplay Competition

BOUND BY GUILT - 2006

Unproduced Screenplay, semifinalist in Expo6 Screenplay Competition