

MELIS SAMDANCI

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EDUCATION

Expected in 06/2024 **Bachelor of Arts: Filmmaking**
University of Sussex - Brighton

06/2021 **International Baccalaureate Diploma: Highschool**
Enka Schools - Istanbul, Turkey

WORK HISTORY

11/2022 – Current **Digital Creator**
Library Agency – Brighton, United Kingdom

- Produced high quality, impactful content that met brand standards.

09/2022 – Current **Content Creator**
Selling Point Agency – London, United Kingdom

- Learned social media marketing and demonstrated interpersonal skills.

09/2021 – Current **Vice-President**
Turkish Society – Brighton, United Kingdom

- Planned and efficiently organised activities, details and timelines for society events.

11/2022 – 11/2022 **Film Editor**
Cine-City: Brighton Film Festival – Brighton, United Kingdom

- Won Third Place and Best Efforts in the '36 Hour Film Challenge'.
- Delivered edits with multiple camera angle choices, titles, graphics, audio and special effects within 36 hours using Adobe Premiere.

09/2022 – 09/2022 **Fashion Photographer / Backstage Assistant**
Afro Fashion Week – Milan, Italy

- Produced editorial photo shoots and videos for afropolitan luxury fashion brand Joy Meribe.
- Worked as backstage assistant for Tokyo James fashion show.

05/2022 – 07/2022 **Commercial Film Director**
Kurtulan Jewelry – Istanbul, Turkey

- Ensured that brand's marketing campaign appealed to its target clients on both personal and aesthetic levels.

09/2021 – 05/2022 **Director of Photography**
TEDxUniversityofSussexStudio – Brighton, United Kingdom

- Effectively managed all aspects of filming and cinematography, from sound utility to lighting design.

01/2021 – 05/2021 **Music Video Director**
Babajimin Istanbul – Istanbul, Turkey

- Scheduled and managed entire recording processes, mixing and editing to tight deadlines.
- Executed creative vision despite restrictions of pandemic and low budget.
- Facilitated successful music promotion and reached 2000+ listeners on Spotify.

07/2020 – 08/2020 **Film & TV Development Intern**
Böcek Yapım – Istanbul, Turkey

- Organised schedules for smooth production and on-time delivery of creatives.

01/2020 – 03/2020 **Photographer / Videographer**
Magara Photography & Production Studios – Istanbul, Turkey

- Operated cameras for HD and 4K production. Set up technical details of all shots, including lighting.

SKILLS

- Visual story-telling
- Social media marketing
- Creativity
- Adobe software