

Susan Emshwiller
curriculum vitae
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Teaching:

Screenwriting - North Carolina State University - 2017- present
Cinematic Storytelling Techniques - North Carolina Writers Network Spring Conference - 2018
Cinematic storytelling -OSHER LIFE LONG LEARNING (OLLI At Duke) - Durham NC - 2015-2016
Cinematic Storytelling Techniques - North Carolina Writers Network seminars - Chapel Hill, NC - 2015-2017
Screenwriting Techniques - OSHER LIFE LONG LEARNING (OLLI At Duke) - Durham NC - 2015-2016
Writing for Stage and Screen - Art Center - Carrboro NC - 2015-2016
Screenplay and Play Writing Workshop - 2004-2006 - The Met Theater, Hollywood
"Is the Hollywood Carrot Keeping You From Your Dreams" Eugene Film Festival seminar - 2006
"Set Decoration for the Big Screen" - Eugene Film Festival seminar - 2006
Screenwriting Workshop - DIVA Art Center - 2006

Published works:

Digest Enthusiast - Interview on works and parents - January 2019
Magazine of Fantasy and Science Fiction - "Suicide Watch" - Sept/Oct 2108
Black Heart Magazine - "After Christmas Turkey" - Holiday Hell issue
Anchala Studios Anthology - "The Wild Grass" - publication
Black Heart Magazine - "Summer of Hope"
Smoky Blue Literary and Arts Magazine - "The Kid"
Dramatists Play Service - "Dominoes" - full length play
Playscripts - "Defrosting Popsicles" - full length play
Smoky Blue Literary and Arts Magazine - "Old Dog, New Tricks"
Furious Gazelle - "Dining Alone on Valentine's Day"
Independent Ink Magazine - "Music Theory"
Gone Lawn - "Something Broke"

Education:

California Institute of the Arts - MFA , 1980-1983 - Art and Filmmaking. Alexander Mackendrick (*Man in the White Suit, Lady Killers, Sweet Smell of Success*) mentor.
Syracuse University - BFA, 1975 - 1979 - Printmaking and Painting major. Summa Cum Laude. Jerome Witkin mentor.

Additional Education:

The Met Workshop - 1993-1996 - acting, directing - Candy Trabucco, Amy Madigan, Holly Hunter, Tom Bower, Ed Harris
Friends and Artists Theater Ensemble - 1991-1993 - acting - Sal Romeo
Acting for Directors - 1990-1991 - Judith Weston
Acting Workshop - 1987-1988 - Gill Dennis
Arts Students League - N.Y.C. - 1975 - etching classes.

Screenplays:

Cul de Sac - (co-writer: Guillaume Tunzini) - comedy - 2019
Brain Freeze - (co-writer: Guillaume Tunzini) - comedy thriller - 2016
Prankster Bureau - (co-writer: Guillaume Tunzini) - series - 2014
Shaved Fish - (co-writer: Guillaume Tunzini) - thriller - 2013
Best Friend - treatment for romantic comedy - 2009
Geek Beach - (co-writer: Guillaume Tunzini) - comedy - 2009
Le Diamant Noir - French comedy - 2006
In the Land of Milk and Money - was produced feature film in 2004 - Susan Emshwiller directing
Pollock - (co-writer: Barbara Turner) - produced feature film in 2000 for Brant/Allen Productions - Ed Harris directing
Cloverleaf - character drama - 1999
The Furnace - thriller - official juried selection of IFP/Market 2004, Grand Prize Winner of Hollywood Gateway Screenwriting Contest 2005
Six Old Men but Cool - comedy thriller - 1997
The Wild Blue - comedy based on French film *Quelques Jours Avec Moi* - for Big Town Productions - Bill Pullman producer -1996
Hole in the Day - drama based on story by Christopher Tilghman - for Big Town Productions - Bill Pullman producer -1996
Dog Town - thriller based on novel by Mercedes Lambert - for Amer Productions - Amy Madigan producer - 1992
In the Palm of His Hand - short mystery script - 1990
Breakfast Messages - short comedy - produced in 1988 - Susan Emshwiller directing
Cement Shoes - comedy 1988
Burger World - comedy social satire - 1987
Blind Sight - romantic comedy - 1986
Cowboy Fiction - comedy thriller - 1985
Yoshi - (co-written with George Bayer) - 1985
Off-Night - (co-written with George Bayer) produced in 1983 - 35mm -40 minutes

Plays directed: (written by Emshwiller unless otherwise noted)

Waiting 2.0 - workshopped - Durham 2015
Things I Never Told You - 2007 - Met theater
So Shall You Reap - 2000 - Nexus Theater's Festival of One-Acts
Juan and Sooz - 1999 - The Met Theater - one act
Defrosting Popsicles - 1999 - Nexus Ensemble Theater - full length
Dominoes - 1996 - The Met Theater - work-shopped - full length
BrushStrokes - 1994 - The Met Theater - full length - Premiere
Jimmy - 1994 - The Met Theater - work-shopped - one-act
No Smoking - 1994 - The Met Theater - work-shopped - one-act
Girl Meets Boy - (Lori Romero) - 1993 - Friends and Artist's theater - one-act
Words of Love - 1993 - Friends and Artist's Theater - full length
Defrosting Popsicles - 1993 - Friends and Artist's Theater- full length premiere
Final Placement - (Ara Watson) - 1992 - Friends and Artist's - one-act
No Problem - (Catherine Butterfield) - 1991 - Friends and Artists- one-act
Stops Along the Way - (Jeffrey Sweet) - 1990 - Gardener Stage - one act

Awards:

Honorable Mention - "Ashes, Ashes, We all Fall Down" - Glimmer Train short story

contest - 2018

First Prize - "Dining Alone on Valentine's Day" - Short story contest -Furious Gazelle 2015

Grand Prize - Cursing Cap - Environment Defense Fund - 2009

Prize Winning Finalist "Noir Tonight?" - Filmaka - 2009

Finalist - Slydial Poker - 2009

Honorable Mention - SmartScoop: What is it? - 2009

Honorable Mention - Radon - 2008

Grand prize - Slimfast liberty - 2008

Prize winning Finalist - Pepto: A love Story - 2008

Second Prize - Thank a Farmer - 2007

Prize winning Finalist - Parallel's contest - Why Choose - 2007

Third prize winner - Showdown - 2007

Grand Prize winner - Saved by the Cell - 2007

Grand Prize Winner - TigerBalm saves the day - 2007

Finalist in Creative Screenwriting Open - Screenwriting Expo - 2006

Audience Choice Award - Bay Street Film Festival -*In the Land of Milk and Money* 2006

Screenplay Grand Winner - Hollywood Gateway Screenwriting Contest - *The Furnace* - 2005

BayStreet Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection

Edmonton Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - invited film - 2006

Broad Humor Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - opening film - 2006

Eugene Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - invited film - 2006

NewFilmmaker Series at Anthology Film Archives -*In the Land of Milk and Money* - invited film- 2006

Longbaugh Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection - 2006

Northampton Independent Film Festival -*In the Land of Milk and Money* - - 2005

Bluegrass Independent Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection - 2005

Mar del Plata International Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection in La Mujer y El Cine category - 2005

Exground Film Festival Wiesbaden - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection in American Independents category - 2004

San Francisco Independent Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - 2004

Ohio Independent Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - 2004

Silverlake Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection - 2004

Filmfest Hamburg - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection - 2004

Rhode Island International Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - 2004

Festival de Cine de Granada - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection - 2004

Oxford Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - official selection - 2004

Newport Beach International Film Festival - *In the Land of Milk and Money* - 2004

Outstanding Direction Award - Dramalogue - *Brush Strokes* 1995

Outstanding Art Direction Award - Dramalogue - *Brush Strokes* 1995

Judges Award - Sinking Creek Film Festival - *Breakfast Messages* - 1989

Traditional Narrative Award - Athens International Film and Video Festival - *Breakfast Messages* - 1989

Winner Best Narrative - 22nd Annual Film and Video Festival of BACA/ Brooklyn Arts Council - *Breakfast Messages* - 1989

Directors Choice Award - Black Maria Film Festival - *Breakfast Messages* -1989

Committee Choice Award - Bucks County Film Festival - *Breakfast Messages* -1989

Museum of Fine Arts - official selection - *Breakfast Messages* -1989

Women in the Director's Chair Film Festival - Breakfast Messages -1989
American Film Institute's International Film Festival - Breakfast Messages -1989
Aspen Film Festival - Breakfast Messages -1989
Television Broadcast screenings - Z channel - Breakfast Messages - 1989
Television Broadcast screenings - Arts and Entertainment network - Breakfast Messages - 1989

Filmography as writer/director/producer/editor:

Noir Tonight? - 2009 - 4 minutes
Hannah Petrie Minister Installation - 2009 - 20 min
Your Man in India - - 2008 - feature teaser - 5 min
Two Loon's for Tea Monkey Video - 2007 - music video - 3 min
Frances Bay: Canadian Walk of Fame Portrait - 2007 - 7 min
In the Land of Milk and Money - 2004 - 90 minutes - feature - 35mm
Punctual Cowboy - 1997 - 6 minutes - video - drama
Mother's Day - 1992 - 7 minutes - 35mm - comedy
The Sanders - 1990 - 4 minutes - music video
Breakfast Messages - 1988 - 16 minutes - 16mm - comedy
Saturday Tea - 1983 - 10 minutes - 16mm - comedy
Piano/Typewriter - 1983 - 1 minute - 16mm - experimental
The Desk Soldier - 1982 - 30 minutes - 16mm - drama
Hollywood Picture - 1982 - 3 minutes - 16mm - experimental
Teacup Drama - 1982 - 3 minutes - 16mm - experimental
Start With Smoking - 1982 -3 minutes - 16mm - experimental

Advertisements and PSAs:

Klondike Wedding - 2010
Not in my Backyard: Recycling - 2009 - PSA
Smart Energy: Stripping - 2009 - PSA
Flappy Dog Toy - 2009
Smart Scoop: Before and After - 2009
Smart Scoop: What is it? - 2009
CheapO Air: Are you a CheapO? - 2009
Ready2Move: Uncle's Chores - 2009
Library PSA - 2009
SkinIt Creep - 2009
Water Hamlet - 2009 - PSA
Amazon.com: Shopping for Mom - 2009
A-1 Blues- 2009
Obama: Ask Not. MoveOn.org- 2008
Patriot or Terrorist: New Line Cinema - 2008
Cheetos: Change the Game - 2008
ProQuo Mailman - 2008
Alpo - 2008
Carmex: Addicted - 2008
What Would You Do: Prop 8 - 2008
Bud Light Dude - 2008
Heinz is the Winner- 2008
Net 10- donkey Rescue - 2008
Love at First Bite - 2008
Ready on Ring One - - 2008

100 Grand - 2008
Sabra Vacation - 2008
Where's your Nature - 2008
Slimfast Gorgeous - 2008
Zorbeez vs Papertowel - 2008
Heinz Unforgettable - 2008
Slimfast Liberty - 2008
Pepto: A Love Story - 2008
Cyber Bully - 2008 -psa
Pom Tea: Don't Rust - 2007
Thank a Farmer - 2007
Workman vs Playman: Why Choose? - 2007
Kraft Student - 2007
Kraft Comfort - 2007
Saved by the Cell - 2007
Showdown: American Cancer Society - 2007 - PSA
Tiger Balm Saves the Day - 2007 -
Lay's Interrogation - 1999
Dr. Brown's Soda - 1999
Warhol's Soup - 1999

Film Related Work:

Actress: Featured **actress** in Robert Altman's movie **The Player** - 1991 - played Detective Willa Broom, partner of Whoopie Goldberg.

Set Decorating Work:

All About Steve - (feature film re-shoots) - 2008
Mark Peace Experience - (feature film re-shoots) 2008
Just Friends - (feature film re-shoots) - Roger Kumble - director - 2005
Silver Bells - (Movie of the Week) - Dick Lowrey - director - 2005
Just Legal - (TV pilot) - Andrew Davis - director - 2005
High School Undercover - (TV pilot) - Katherine Bigelow - director - 2004
Hollywood Division - (TV pilot) - James Foley - director - 2004
Spartan - (feature film) - David Mamet - director - 2003
Calendar Girls - (feature film -L.A. segment) Nigel Cole - director -2002
The Good Girl - (feature film) -Miguel Arteta - director - 2001
Two Can Play that Game - (feature film) - Mark Brown - director - 2001
Blond - (mini-series) - Joyce Chopra - director - 2000
Bounce - (feature film re-shoots) - Don Roos - director - 2000
Cookie's Fortune - (feature film) - Robert Altman - director - 1998
Replacing Dad - (feature film) - Joyce Chopra - director - 1997
Kansas City - (feature film) - Robert Altman - director - 1995
Indictment - (feature film) - Mick Jackson - director - 1995
Past Tense - (feature film) - Graeme Clifford - director - 1993
Short Cuts - (feature film) - Robert Altman - director - 1992
The Player - (feature film) - Robert Altman - director - 1991
Tooth of the Lion - (feature film) - Michael Tuchner - director - 1990
'Til There Was You - (feature film pickups) John Seale - director -1990
Drug Busters - (movie of the week) - Lynn Hamrick - director - 1989
Heart Condition - (feature film) - James Parriot - director - 1989
Wired - (feature film) - Larry Pearce - director -1988
Gleaming the Cube - (feature film) - Graeme Clifford - director - 1987
Russkies - (feature film) Rick Rosenthal - director - 1986

The Kindred - (feature film) - Jeffrey Obrow - director - 1986

Assistant Set Decorator Work:

A Time of Destiny - (feature film) - Gregory Nava - director - 1986

Cherry 2000 - (feature film) - Steve DeJarnatt - director - 1985

Runaway Train - (feature film) - Andrei Konchalovsky - director - 1985

The Fourth Wiseman - (feature film) - Michael Rhodes - director - 1984

Tuff Turf - (feature film) - Fritz Kiersch - director - 1984

Affiliated Organizations:

Writers Guild of America, West

International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employes- (IATSE) Local 44

Alliance of Los Angeles Playwrights

Filmmakers Alliance

Screenwriters Network

Alameda Writer's Group

North Carolina Writer's Network

The Met Theater