



## **Brian Sarfatty**

**Video Editor**

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### **CREED**

I am committed to quality, getting each cut perfect, and adding style and flair. More than anything I am a storyteller, capturing key messages and organizing them so they are engaging, entertaining, and emotionally meaningful. I bring out the character and personality of real people.

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### **SKILLS**

Creative problem solving, conceptualization, communication, storytelling; Video editing: Premiere, Avid; Graphics: Photoshop, After Effects; Video encoding; DVD authoring;

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### **WORK HISTORY**

- Freelance Video Editor (2009-present) Chicago, USA  
Cut marketing videos, training, documentary, and branded entertainment for Chicago production companies. Clients include major brands such as Fiat, Smuckers, Arm and Hammer, GE Healthcare, Hyatt, Baxter, BlueCross BlueShield. Edited web reality series for kids about nutrition. Edited episodes for pop culture series for The Onion's AV Club. Edited political videos for teachers' unions and Democratic candidates. Edited emotional documentary style videos for non-profit groups.
- Field Museum Education Department: Filmmaking Instructor (summers, 2012-2013) Chicago, USA  
Co-taught workshops where teens partner with museum scientists to produce short educational videos.
- Flashpoint Academy: Adjunct Faculty (2011-2013) Chicago, USA  
Taught TV studio production and video editing courses as part of a 2-year associates degree program.
- CANTV: Trainer and training coordinator (2010-2011) Chicago, USA  
Taught courses in video editing, visual storytelling / theory, studio production workshops. Coordinated enrollment and assisted program administration.
- Autobase: Video Editor (2009) Auckland, NZ  
Cut segments for TV shows - amateur Māori rugby players trying to succeed professionally, refugees settling in NZ. Stories followed individuals, relating challenges, shortcomings, successes.
- Maui Productions: Video Editor (2008) Rotorua, NZ  
Edited Māori (NZ indigenous) cultural & current affairs programs for national and indigenous TV: special about traditional tattooing, presenter-based food / cooking show, segments for current affairs magazine, men's topics studio panel discussion show, Māori Party 08 national election campaign broadcasts and ads.
- Propeller Productions: Video Editor (2008) Wellington, NZ  
Edited videos for corporate and government communication - training, magazine-style corporate news, inter-departmental education, HR induction, morale/brand pride, public service education, documenting policy and research. Clients include tax department, banks, insurance, government agencies.
- Avatar, James Cameron cinema feature: Onset Videotape Operator (2007-2008) Wellington, NZ  
Performed copying, technical tasks, quality control on master tapes, worked with 3D HD cinema footage.
- The Dub Shop: DVD Authoring Technician and Digital Video Specialist (2006-2007) Wellington, NZ  
Editing, encoding, format conversion, authoring / scripting, quality control of audio / visual media for DVD, broadcast, and web/interactive media. Designed interactive graphics for DVD menus and packaging.
- Mixed Media: Assistant Video Editor (2003 – 2006) Chicago, USA  
Assisted production of videos for corporate meetings, sales/promotion. Clients include major brands: Sears, Morgan Stanley, Siemens, Culligan. Assisted fundraising videos for organizations, including Jewish United Fund. Created multimedia presentations documenting medical research.
- Mythryn: Flash Integrator and Programmer (2003) Chicago, USA  
Integrated graphics, audio, copy for multimedia customer service and sales training applications.
- BBC Arts Department: Production Assistant / Postproduction Intern (2003) London, UK  
Assisted research and editing for TV. Sourced archive footage, facts, booked guests and audience. Performed technical editing tasks, operated lights and camera.
- Academic Technologies / Distributed Learning Center: Media Consultant (2000 – 2003) Northwestern Uni  
Interactive video for museums, distance learning, fundraising, student recruitment. Produced, filmed, edited interviews, events, demonstrations, lectures, conferences. Integrated videos into web applications.



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#### **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL**

Switzerland, New Zealand, USA, Canada, Tonga, Italy, Brazil, Argentina, England, Scotland, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Singapore, Vietnam, China, Israel, Egypt, Ireland, Russia, Spain, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Austria, Hungary, France, Korea, Australia.

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#### **EDUCATION**

New York University London – BBC Television Production Program (2003) London, UK  
TV production seminars conducted by BBC instructors / internship with BBC production department.

Northwestern University (1999 - 2003) Chicago, USA  
4-yr Bachelor of Sciences in Television & Film, Certificate in Art and Technology GPA: 3.5

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#### **IMMIGRATION**

US Citizen, New Zealand Permanent Resident

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