

Vidu Gunaratna, AČK

Cinematographer

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## Education

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### **Cinematography | 2007—2013**

Master's degree (2013), Bachelor's degree (2010)

Film and TV Faculty of The Academy of Performing Arts (FAMU), Prague, Czech Republic

### **Applied Informatics | 2001—2005**

Bachelor's degree, University of Economics (VŠE), Prague, Czech Republic

## Work Experience

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### **Director of Photography | 2007—Current**

Feature films, shorts, documentaries, TV series, music videos, commercials, VFX shots (Freelance)

### **Lecturer/Mentor | 2014—Current**

External lecturer at the Cinematography Department at FAMU

### **Webdesigner | 2000—2010**

Freelance

## Professional Skills & Languages

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### **Skills**

Experienced in shooting and post-production in an array of film and digital formats – 35mm, 16mm, DC4K, DC2K, etc. Advanced understanding of colour grading and digital workflows. Solid theoretical knowledge of stereoscopy.

### **Languages**

Fluent in Czech, English and German, speaks some Sinhala.

## Memberships

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### **Association of Czech Cinematographers (AČK) | 2010—Current**

Approximately 130 members. Member of the Board (2015—2017)

## Awards and Accomplishments

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### **Best Cinematography | 2014**

FAMUFest – *Amanitas (Director's Cut)* (directed by Jakub Šmíd, DC4K RED, FAMU, 2013)

### **Jaroslav Kučera Award | 2014**

Association of Czech cinematographers Award given to FAMU students – *The Newbie* (directed by Jakub Šmíd, 35mm, FAMU, 2013)

### **Czech Lion for Best Student Film | 2012**

Highest Czech Film Award – *Non-Swimmers* (directed by Jakub Šmíd, DC4K, FAMU, 2011)

### **Talent of The Year 2012**

Named one of the most talented young cinematographers in the Czech Republic. Mentioned by Academy Award winning cinematographer Jaromír Šofr, AČK. (*Hospodářské noviny* 12/2011 – Nationwide daily newspaper)

### **Dean's award | 2010**

For excellent results in studies and meticulousness in preparation of artistic projects

## Reference

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### **Prof. Marek Jícha, AČK**

Highly respected Cinematographer, President of the Association of Czech Cinematographers

### **Prof. Jaromír Šofr, AČK**

Academy Award winning Cinematographer (*Closely Watched Trains*, 1966)

### **Prof. Vladimír Smutný, AČK**

Academy Award winning Cinematographer (*Kolja*, 1996)