

Vidu Gunaratna AČK

Cinematographer

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Education

Film and Multimedia Theory | 2014—2021

Ph.D. (2021)

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

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

Director of Photography | since 2007

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

Teacher | since 2014

Assistant Professor at the Department of Cinematography at FAMU. Teaching colour grading and mentoring student films.

Webdesigner | 2000—2010

Freelance

Professional Skills & Languages

Skills

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

Languages

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

Memberships

Czech Society of Cinematographers (AČK) | since 2010

Full Member (since 2013)

Member of the Board (since 2015)

Awards and Accomplishments

Best Cinematography | 2014

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

Jaroslav Kučera Award | 2014

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

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

Prof. Marek Jícha AČK

Highly respected cinematographer, President of the Czech Society of Cinematographers

Prof. Jaroslav Brabec

Highly respected cinematographer and director, Head of FAMU Cinematography dept.

Prof. Vladimír Smutný AČK

Academy Award winning Cinematographer (*Kolja*, 1996)