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# MAXIME BERGER

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Cinematographer

Filmography

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# BIOGRAPHY

Maxime Berger is a director of photography based in Paris.

He discovered paintings at a young age and followed drawing classes, taking an interest in the impressionist movement (the sensation of movement, lighting and colors), marking the first signs of his passion for the image/picture that he'll later share with an interest for the history of cinema, which he then studied at University.

First aspiring to become a director, he practiced filming short films with his friends, and then quickly got very interested in the visualization and the lighting of a film as well as the transmission of emotions that it induces. This sentiment of giving life to an idea captivated him.

Seduced by the balance between art and technique in the profession of director of photography, Maxime traveled with his camera, a 16 mm and cultivated his creativity.

His approach of natural light and his way of capturing the "real" brought him to work on the short film Exalted Mars (Mars Exalté), by Jean-Sébastien Chauvin. The movie evolved at sunset and to obtain a continuity of light, they chose to film during thirty days in a row at the "perfect hour". They earned the Teddy Price of the best short film at the Berlinale 2022, as well as the Grand Prix Essai/Art Video of the Côté Court Festival 2022. Maxime continued his collaboration with the same director with The King who Contemplated the Sea (Le Roi qui contemplait la mer) which won the Grand Fiction Price at the Côté Court Festival, also nominated at Clermont-Ferrand.

Maxime Berger also works on music video projects (Crystal Murray, Rebeka Warrior, Yungblud) and commercials (Louis Vuitton, Nike, Balenciaga, Hermès, Lacoste, Fenty).

Maxime's collaborations testify of his artistic sensibility, as we can see with one of his latest collaborations, Phalène by Sarah-Anaïs Desbenoit, produced by le Fresnoy, in Official Competition for the International Festival of Rotterdam Film 2023.

# BIOGRAPHIE

Maxime Berger est un directeur de la photographie basé à Paris.

Il découvre très jeune la peinture et suit des cours de dessin, s'intéressant notamment au courant impressionniste (la sensation de mouvement, la lumière, les couleurs), marquant les prémices de sa passion pour l'image, qu'il mixe un peu plus tard avec un intérêt pour l'histoire du cinéma, étudié à l'Université.

Aspirant dans un premier temps à devenir réalisateur, il s'exerce au court-métrage avec des amis, puis s'intéresse très vite à la mise en image et en lumière d'un film ainsi qu'à la transmission des émotions que cela induit. Cette sensation de pouvoir donner vie à une idée le captive.

Séduit par l'équilibre entre l'art et la technique du métier de chef opérateur, Maxime voyage avec son appareil photo, sa caméra 16mm et cultive ainsi sa créativité.

Son approche de la lumière naturelle et sa manière de capturer le réel l'amènent à travailler sur le court-métrage Mars Exalté, réalisé par Jean-Sébastien Chauvin. Le film évolue à la tombée du soleil et afin d'obtenir une continuité de lumière, ils choisissent de tourner pendant trente jours consécutifs à « l'heure parfaite ». Ils remportent le prix Teddy du meilleur court-métrage à la Berlinale 2022 ainsi que le Grand Prix Essai/Vidéo Art du festival Côté Court 2022. Maxime continue sa collaboration avec ce réalisateur pour Le Roi qui contemplait la mer qui obtient Le Grand Prix Fiction à Côté Court, nommé également à Clermont-Ferrand.

Maxime Berger travaille également sur des projets de clip (Crystal Murray, Rebeka Warrior, Yungblud) et de publicité (Louis Vuitton, Nike, Balenciaga, Hermès, Lacoste, Fenty).

Les collaborations de Maxime témoignent de sa sensibilité artistique, à l'image d'une de ses dernières collaborations, Phalène de Sarah-Anais Desbenoit, produit par le Fresnoy, en Compétition Officielle au Festival International du Film de Rotterdam 2023.

# SHORT FILMS

## **PHALÈNE**

Directed by Sarah-Anaïs Desbenoist

(2023) Le Fresnoy

NOMINATION - IFFR 2023

## **LE ROI QUI CONTEMPLAIS LA MER**

Directed by Jean-Sébastien Chauvin

(2022) Ecce films

## **MARS EXALTÉ**

Directed by Jean-Sébastien Chauvin

(2022) Venin Films

BERLINALE SHORT 2022 - TEDDY: BEST SHORT FILM

CÔTÉ COURT 2022 - GRAND PRIX (ESSAI / ART VIDÉO)

FESTIVAL DU FILM DE FESSES - JURY PRIZE

ECRANS MIXTES - OFFICIAL SELECTION

SELECTION OFFICIEL - OUTFEST: LOS ANGELES GAY AND

LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL

SELECTION OFFICIEL - FANTASIA FILM FESTIVAL

SELECTION OFFICIEL - FRAMELINE: SAN FRANCISCO

INTERNATIONAL LGBTQ FILM FESTIVAL

SELECTION OFFICIEL - FESTIVAL DU COURT MÉTRAGE DE

NIMÈGUE (GO SHORT)

## **GARFIELD COQUILLAGE**

Directed by Paul Marques Duarte

(2022) Blue Hour

## **ESMERALDA 443**

Directed by Juana Wein

(2021) Central Saint Martins

## **LES SONNETTES DE SERVICE**

Directed by Juana Wein, Julien Carreyn,

Maxime Berger

(2021)

## **LE SOURIR DE L'HOMME À LA BOULE DE CRISTAL**

Directed by Juana Wein

(2021) Prism

## **LA SOURCE X LISA BOOSTANI**

Directed by Lisa Boostani

(2020) Centre Pompidou

**SHORT  
FILMS**

**DOUBLE APPEL**

Directed by Lucas Besnier

(2020)

BEST INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM NOMINEE - SHORT FILMS  
FESTIVALS & ASIA 2021

# COMMER- CIALS

**ROSALIA X LOUIS VUITTON SHOW REVEAL**

Directed by Samuel Rixon

Kitten

**LOUIS VUITTON SHOW REVEAL**

Directed by Quentin Saunier

Talent And Partners

**BAPE X SOLBOX**

Directed by Manuel Haring

Chaos Paris & Modest Department

**NIKE X DIABLO**

Directed by Julien Soulier

Producing Love

**NUMERO X THILBAULT THEODORE**

Directed by Thibault Theodore

Weird Fishes Productions

**FENTY**

Directed by Samuel Rixon

Workinggirl

**RUI ZHOU**

Directed by Samuel Rixon

Producing Love

**SUPREME**

Directed by Fabrice Cockney

Téléphone Maisons

**BALENCIAGA X PURPLE MAGAZINE**

Directed by Samuel Rixon

Purple Institute

**WALK IN PARIS X LACOSTE**

Directed by Samuel Rixon

Omar Films

**SPOTIFY**

Directed by Sarra Ryma

Colors Paris

**GAME, SET, MATCH - WITC - JACQUES MARIE MAGE**

Directed by Samuel Rixon

Cinq Etoiles Productions



# MUSIC VIDEOS

**AZ - SUPERPARKA**

Directed by Pablo Padovani  
Mireille Productions

**MOODOÏD FT OLIVIA MERILAHTI - MEMORIES**

Directed by Pablo Padovani  
Very Content TV

**HAMZA - CODÉINE 19**

Directed by Emile Olagne  
Justwokeup

**YUNGBLUD - MEMORIES (LIVE OLYMPIA)**

Directed by Leo Michallet  
Carte Blanche

**SHAGA - RIEN À FÊTER**

Directed by Cyril Gaborit  
Yaka Productions

**JAZZYBAR X ALPHA WANN**

Directed by Metanoïa  
Omar Films

**REBEKA WARRIOR X MAUD GEFFRAY - I FALL AT 5**

Directed by Auguste Bas  
Lou Bardou-Jacquet

**NESSIR - ENCORE**

Directed by Camilia Penagos  
Soleil Bleu Ent.

**CRYSTAL MURRAY - HOT MESS**

Directed by Global  
Partizan

**NEPAL X CLIFTO CREAM**

Directed by Clifto Cream  
Sara lanaya/Chez Ace



# MUSIC VIDEOS

**LOLO ZOUAÏ - SCOOTER**

Directed by Piotr Lebryk  
Omar Films

**LOLO ZOUAÏ - MOI X LOOK AT US**

Directed by Piotr Lebryk  
Raphael Muckensturm

**EUGENIE - DON'T SPEAK**

Directed by Juana Wein  
Hiersoir