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## ALEX FINESSI

### CINEMATOGRAPHER / DIRECTOR / UNDERWATERCINEMATOGRAPHER

An experienced, enthusiastic and highly motivated Director / Underwater Cinematographer with more 12,000 logged dives, and 20 years diving experience. I have received multiple awards for Director, Author, underwater Cinematography and documentaries over the past 20 years.

I appreciate the need for safety and taking responsibility for troubleshooting. I am a hard worker, punctual, can multi-task and work under pressure..

#### Professional Experience

- 2023 Underwater Cinematographer, Ocean Wonders Series, EarthX TV, Off The Fence Productions (Australia)
- 2018 - 2022 Camera Operator, Sportscast Australia Sport events Season 2021 (Australia)
- 2022 Camera Operator, COASIT Commercial video (Australia)
- 2020 - 2023 Author, Director, Cinematographer, The Pearls of Australia, Documentary Series 12x30" Ozflix Production
- 2020 Recognised distinguished talent as Director and Cinematographer by Australian Government
- 2020 - Camera Operator, Sportscast Australia Sport events Season 2020 (Australia)
- 2018 - 2023 Cinematographer TVI Productions News and current Affairs (Australia)
- 2020 Director and Underwater Cinematographer, Reece Mastin Singer Music Video Clip, Sony Music.
- 2019 ABC Underwater Cinematographer, News and Current Affairs (Australia)
- 2019 Underwater Cinematographer, Channel 7, Channel 9 "TV Spot Nicorette, Commissioned by Chemist warehouse" (Australia)
- 2018 Underwater Cinematographer: "The Blood Vessel Movie" Wicked Of Oz Productions (US - Australia)
- 2018 Director, Underwater Cinematographer: History Channel US "In search of" (Australia-US)
- 20017 Underwater Cinematographer and 2"Unit Camera Operator: "The Weird Animal" documentary, RSI TV Productions(Australia - Switzerland)
- 2017 D.O.P, Drone Operator, 1St Camera Operator: "From Venice to Melbourne" Pilot episode (Australia)
- 2016 D.O.P & Camera operator: SpaceHero Company (Australia)
- 2014 Freelance Video Producer & Camera Operator (Australia)
- 2013 Underwater Cinematographer, DOP & Video Producer: Palm Beach Resort (Maldives Island)
- 2012 D.O.P & Underwater Cinematographer: Mediaset Group Broadcasting on Ch1, Ch4, Ch5 (Europe)
- 2011 Director & Editor Global Underwater Explorer (US-Europe)
- 2011 D.O.P & Video Producer: Emotion Video, SKY RTB Broadcasting, Italian Broadcasting Television
- 2010 Underwater Cinematographer, Blu Line, RAI 3 Productions (Italy)
- 2010 D.O.P, Camera Operator and Underwater Cinematographer:
- 2010 Director, Producer, Cinematographer: Channel 5, Channel 4, Channel 1, Mediaset Group European Broadcasting Television
- 2007 - 2009 Freelance Camera Operator: SKY Tv and Telestense, Italian Broadcasting Television "More 60 episodes")
- 2007 Freelance Camera Operator in Israel, News and current Affairs (Italy-Egypt)
- 2006 Underwater Cinematographer: BBC & Mediaset Group Documentary Series (UK - Egypt - Italy)
- 2005 Freelance Underwater Videographer (St Marie Island, Madagascar)
- 2002 - 2005 Freelance as Underwater Cinematographer Rai 3, Profil Tv (Germany - Italy)
- 1999 - 2001 Dive Manager, Scuba instructor, Dive Guide

## Awards

- Recognised distinguished talent as Director and Cinematographer by Australian Government (2020)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place European Film Festival (2017)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Imperia International Film Festival (2013)
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- 1<sup>st</sup> Place HDS International Film Festival (2010)
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- Special Prize - Belgrade Film Festival (2008)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place HDS International Film Festival (2008)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Award Best Underwater Cinematographer (2008)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Canzo International Film Festival - sec. Short Film (2006)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Bolzano International Film Festival (2005)
- Special Prize - HDS International Film Festival (2005)

## Education

- 2020 – Current Member of the Australian Film Institute (AFI)
- 2020 – Current Member of the Australian Academy Cinema Television Arts (AACTA)
- 2014 – Current Member of the Australian Cinematographers Society (ACS)
- 2015 – Current Member of the International Federation of Cinematographers (IMAGO)
- 2020 – Current CASA RPA Operator's Certificate 1102279
- 2020 – Current Dive Master Instructor (SSI)
- 2020 – Current Dive Guide Instructor (SSI)
- Since 2012 – Current Specialty Instructor Reach Right FA,CPR,AED, O2 (SSI)
- Since 2012 – Current Specialty Instructor Underwater Videographer (SSI-WASE)
- Since 2012 – Current Specialty Instructor Nitrox up to EAN40 (SSI)
- 2020 – Current Certificate of First Aid and Resuscitation (First Aid CPR)
- 2020 – Current Certificate (Working with Children Check)
- 2007 - Current Diploma in Screen and Media
- 2001 - Current Boat and PWC Licence
- 1998 – Current Driving Licence