

## James D. Blinken

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### Education:

Emerson College, Boston, MA (B.A. in Film)  
Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

### Dates:

Spring 2023 - Fall 2024  
Fall 2020 - Fall 2021

### Filmmaking & Freelance Experience:

720 Studios, CEO, Founder

Fall 2014 - Present

- Creator of original films, series & live productions
- Directs, acts, writes, produces, and edits over a dozen originals, including *Heated Times*, *The Greenwaltz Experience*, *The Culturalist*, *Totally Unhinged*, and *Influence'r*
- Directed a variety show fundraiser, *Let's Make a Difference*, to benefit The Actor's Fund in 2020

The Ross School, Summer Film Instructor - East Hampton & Bridgehampton, NY

Summers 2015 - 2025

- Created a filmmaking & stop-motion animation curriculum for kids ages 6 - 14
- Taught students video editing using iMovie, Adobe Premiere Pro, and Final Cut Pro X softwares
- Trained students in crafting treatments, scripts, learning set etiquette, and understanding basic filmmaking techniques
- Managed original film showcases throughout the summer

The Birch Wathen Lenox School, Contract Videographer & Editor - New York, NY

Fall 2019 - Present

- Edit, assist, and film segments for the performing arts department

Freelance, Videographer, Video Editor, Live Streamer & Tutor

Fall 2016 - Present

- Edited art galleries, regional theatrical productions, birthday videos, etc.
- Curate filming and streaming setups for a project's specific needs
- Craft, teach, and coach students in screenwriting and filmmaking techniques
- Experience using new and emerging AI tools

LTV Studios, Freelance Video Editor - East Hampton, NY

Fall 2020

- Edited and created promos for various LTV programming

### Additional Professional Experience:

Executive Assistant for Bonnie Comley & Stewart Lane - New York, NY

January 2022 - Present

- Assists in day-to-day tasks for the heads of BroadwayHD & The Drama League
- Specializes in personal video editing & technological work
- Assess new and upcoming New York City Theatre Productions for investment opportunities

Studio 71, Creator Partnerships Comedy Intern - Beverly Hills, CA

Summer 2024

- Assembled comedy talent lists and summaries for prospects
- Organized and completed daily tasks for the Associate Director of Comedy

BroadwayWorld, Freelance/Event Writer - New York, NY

April 2022 - Present

- Writes reviews, event pieces, and press releases, including the *Drama League Awards*
- Published over 50 articles and counting

WECB Radio Host @ Emerson College - Boston, MA

Spring 2023 - Fall 2024

- Hosted a four-season music variety show, "Yesterday, After Noon!"

### Skills:

**Software:** Final Cut Pro X, OBS, Microsoft Word, Google Drive Suites, Celtx, Final Draft, Adobe Premiere, Lightroom, Photoshop, AI (arlist.io, Gemini, chatGPT) FlipAClip, (Animation) Youtube, X, Bluesky, Instagram, and Meta Suite

**Performance:** On-stage experience (acting, High School and College), teaching and public speaking

**Technical:** Apple devices, Nikon, Canon, & Black Magic Cameras and digitizing media (DVDs + Printed Photos)