

Francesco Bonelli

Director | Screenwriter | Actor

Francesco Bonelli is a multifaceted filmmaker and theatre artist whose work spans directing, screenwriting, and acting. With a career rooted in storytelling and a deep love for visual language, Bonelli has carved out a distinctive place in the Italian independent film scene-where strong writing, artistic direction, and cast management often triumph over big budgets.

Education

Francesco Bonelli trained in some of Italy's most prestigious film and theatre institutions, combining academic studies with hands-on experience. He refined his skills through international workshops focused on scriptwriting and stage performance, building a solid foundation that informs both his cinematic and theatrical approach.

Professional Experience

With over 15 years in the industry, Bonelli has directed numerous short and feature-length films, earning recognition for his unique ability to tackle universal themes with originality and heart. His storytelling seamlessly blends drama and comedy, garnering praise from critics and audiences alike. Drawing from his strong theatrical roots, Bonelli fosters an atmosphere on set that brings out natural, compelling performances from actors of all backgrounds.

Selected Works:

- Voices from the Stage (Short Film, 2015): A heartfelt ode to the theatre, awarded at several national festivals.
- The Road to the Stage (Feature Film, 2020): A powerful theatrical drama about an actor in crisis, praised for its emotional depth.

- Things I Never Told You (Feature Film, 2023): A comedic gem that playfully explores life and love with wit and introspection.

Why He's the Perfect Fit for "Ti rubo la scena!" ("Stealing the Scene")

Francesco Bonelli brings the ideal blend of theatre and cinema to a project like "Ti rubo la scena!", where these two worlds intertwine. His deep understanding of theatrical language allows him to balance irony and drama with finesse-qualities that resonate throughout the film's script and visual direction.

His commitment to showcasing the talents of both established and emerging actors makes him the ideal leader for a project centered on a theatrical troupe like "Stramaglia." Bonelli is also known for cultivating a collaborative and trusting set environment-an essential asset for maximizing creativity and performance, especially under tight budgets.

In "Ti rubo la scena!", Bonelli envisions a film that blurs the line between stage and screen, where reality and fiction melt into one. His passion for the craft and innovative directorial vision will be instrumental in making this film a standout piece that captivates audiences.

Key Strengths

- Actor-Centered Directing: Bonelli is a master at guiding performances with a participatory style, elevating every actor's contribution-veteran or newcomer.
- Visual & Narrative Style: He merges cinematic language with theatrical rhythm and tension, crafting stories that are both fluid and immersive.
- Innovation & Creativity: Always in search of fresh perspectives, Bonelli's work is marked by unexpected, imaginative solutions that enrich both the narrative and visual experience.

A Bold Creative Force for Stag 32

Francesco Bonelli is not just a seasoned professional-he's a visionary storyteller whose unique sensibility is tailor-made for "Ti rubo la scena!" His presence elevates the project, promising a film that's both artistically rich and emotionally resonant.