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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Award-winning screenwriter and film composer with international recognition across screenplay competitions and film festivals. Specializes in grounded thrillers, horror, and atmospheric scoring along with Americana and modern western sounds. Proven track record of award winning work in both writing and original score.

SCREENWRITING EXPERIENCE

Feature Screenwriter

THE OWNERS

- + Multiple award-winning feature screenplay with international recognition
- + Key Awards:
 - **Melbourne International Screenplay Awards**
Best Action Screenplay, Best Thriller Screenplay
 - **SoCal Film Awards**
Best Screenplay
 - **Cambridge Script Festival (UK)**
Best US Screenplay
 - **Chicago Script Awards**
Best Screenplay
 - **Creative World Awards Screenwriting Competition**
Grand Prize Winner, Best Thriller Screenplay
- + Additional: 20+ wins, finalist placements, and official selections across U.S. and international festivals

THE STATION

- + Horror feature screenplay currently in festival circulation
- + Finalist, Atlanta After Dark Film Festival
- + Finalist, Los Angeles Film Awards
- + Finalist, 13Horror Screenplay Contest

THE RECKONING

- + Feature screenplay in development
- + Action, Thriller, Tragedy

FILM SCORING/COMPOSING

DARK HEARTS (2020)

- + Awards and Recognition:
 - London International Short Film Festival, Special Jury Award, Best Short Film
 - Hollywood Gold Awards, Honorable Mention, Best Drama Short
 - Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema, Best Score Nominee

DEAD END DRIVE (2020)

- + Awards and Recognition:
 - Cordillera International Film Festival, Grand Jury Award, Best Horror Short
 - Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema, Best Score Nominee
- + Additional projects receiving awards at international festivals including Paris Play Film Festival, Mumbai International Film Festival, LA Shorts Awards, and others

EDUCATION

University of Northern Colorado

Bachelor of Arts, Film Score Composition

Certificate, Music Recording and Engineering

- + Studied under Ludek Drizhal

ADDITIONAL HONORS

- + DownBeat Magazine, Outstanding Male Vocal Soloist (2018)

SKILLS

- + Screenwriting, Feature and Short Form
- + Film Scoring/Composition, Orchestration and Arrangement
- + Music Production and Recording, DAWs, and Audio Engineering
- + Voiceovers and Vocal Singing
- + Data Analysis