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# notable alumni

# SAMPLING OF USC ALUMNI WORKING IN CINEMA/TELEVISION/INTERACTIVE (NON-CINEMA MAJORS INCLUDED – AS OF 9/08/06)

**Producers** 

Chris Black (Desperate Housewives)

Michael Bostick (Bruce Almighty)

Robert Breech (The Practice, LA Law)

Bryan Burk (Lost)

Sean Covel and Chris Wyatt (Napoleon Dynamite)

Josh Donen (The Quick and the Dead, Spider Man 3)

Bob Ducsay (The Mummy, Van Helsing)

Lori Forte (Ice Age)

David Foster (McCabe & Mrs. Miller)

Gary Foster (Sleepless in Seattle)

David Goffin (American Idol, Rockstar:INXS)

Gordon Gray (Miracle, The Rookie)

Brian Grazer (24, A Beautiful Mind)

Andrew Gunn (Freaky Friday)

Ron Howard (24, Arrested Development)

Nancy Juvonen (Donnie Darko, Never Been Kissed)

David Kirschner (Frailty)

Matt Kunitz (The Real World, Fear Factor)

Alan Ladd Jr. (Braveheart)

Jon Landau (Titanic, Solaris)

Damon Lee (*Undercover Brother*)

Michelle Manning (The Breakfast Club, Book of Skulls)

Kerry McCluggage (Star Trek: The Beginning)

Kevin McCollum (Rent, Avenue Q)

Neal Moritz (Prison Break, The Fast and the Furious)

Erin O'Malley (Curb Your Enthusiasm, Da Ali G Show)

Gabe Sachs (Freaks and Geeks, Life As We Know It)

Ed Saxon (Adaptation, Silence of the Lambs)

Tom Shelly (Survivor)

Stacey Sher (Erin Brockovich, Garden State)

Jason Shuman (Little Black Book)

Tom Spezialy (Desperate Housewives)

Scott Stone (The Mole)

Jennifer Todd and Suzanne Todd (Memento, Must Love Dogs)

David L. Wolper (Roots, Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory)

Mark Wolper (Mists of Avalon, Penn & Teller's Bullshit)

Laura Ziskin (Spider-Man I & II)

Writer/Producers

Robert Borden (The George Lopez Show)

Russel Friend & Garrett Lerner (House)

Al Gough & Miles Millar (Smallville)

Grant Heslov (Good Night, and Good Luck)

Evan Katz (24)

Eric Kripke (Supernatural)

Norman Morrill (Thief)

Jack Orman (ER)

Shonda Rhimes (Grey's Anatomy)

Josh Schwartz (The O.C.)

Matthew Weiner (The Sopranos)

John Wells (ER)

#### **Directors / Writer-Directors / Producer-Directors**

Liz Allen (Aquamarine)

Judd Apatow (The 40 Year-Old Virgin)

Gregg Araki (The Doom Generation, Mysterious Skin)

Doug Atchison (Akeelah and the Bee)

Steven Cantor (Family Bonds)

John Carpenter (Halloween)

Sebastian Cordero (Crónicas)

Ericson Core (Invincible)

Scott Derrickson (The Exorcism of Emily Rose)

Breck Eisner (Sahara)

Rick Famuyiwa (Brown Sugar, The Wood)

Bahman Farmanara (Smell of Camphor, Fragrance of Jasmine, Iran)

James Foley (Glengarry Glen Ross, At Close Range)

Gary Fleder (Runaway Jury, Kiss the Girls)

Frank Flowers (Haven)

David Goyer (Blade: Trinity)

James Gray (The Yards)

Luke Greenfield (The Girl Next Door)

Taylor Hackford (Ray, An Officer and A Gentleman)

Ron Howard (A Beautiful Mind, Apollo 13)

James Ivory (Howard's End, The Remains of the Day)

Phil Joanou (Gridiron Gang, U2: Rattle and Hum)

Rian Johnson (*Brick*)

Richard Kelly (Donnie Darko, Southland Tales)

Randal Kleiser (Grease, The Blue Lagoon)

Ken Kwapis (The Office, The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants)

Michael Lehmann (Heathers, 40 Days and 40 Nights)

Shawn Levy (Cheaper by the Dozen, The Pink Panther)

Doug Liman (Swingers, Mr. and Mrs. Smith) George Lucas (Star Wars, American Graffiti)

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Jason Reitman (Thank You for Smoking)

Jay Roach (Meet the Parents, Austin Powers)

Peter Segal (Anger Management, 50 First Dates)

Bryan Singer (Superman Returns, The Usual Suspects, X-Men)

John Singleton (Boyz n the Hood, Four Brothers)

Stephen Sommers (The Mummy, Van Helsing)

Tim Story (Barbershop, Fantastic Four)

Jon Turteltaub (National Treasure, Phenomenon)

Lee Unkrich (Finding Nemo, Monsters, Inc.)

Edward Yang (Yi-Yi)

Robert Zemeckis (Forrest Gump, Cast Away)

Randy Zisk (Monk)

#### Writers

Scott Alexander & Larry Karaszewski (Ed Wood,

The People Vs. Larry Flynt)

John August (Go, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory)

Paul Harris Boardman (The Exorcism of Emily Rose)

Robert Gale (Back to the Future series)

Josh Goldsmith and Cathy Yuspa (What Women Want,

The King of Queens)

David Goyer (Batman Begins, Blade)

Robert Guza, Jr. (General Hospital)

Willard Huyck (American Graffiti)

Karey Kirkpatrick (Chicken Run)

Scott Kosar (The Machinist)

Paul Laverty (The Wind that Shakes the Barley, Bread and

Roses, Sweet Sixteen)

Andrew Marlowe (Air Force One, Hollow Man)

John Milius (Apocalypse Now, Clear and Present Danger)

Jeffrey Nachmanoff (The Day After Tomorrow)

Wayne and Donna Powers (The Italian Job)

Robert Rodat (Saving Private Ryan, The Patriot)

Stephen Susco (The Grudge)

Jamie Vanderbilt (Basic, Zodiac)

David Weiss (Shrek 2)

# Cinematographers

Chris Baffa (Nip/Tuck, Running With Scissors)

John Bailey (As Good As It Gets, The Kid Stays in the Picture)

Peter Collister (Higher Learning, Poetic Justice)

Jeff Cronenweth (Fight Club, One Hour Photo)

Caleb Deschanel (The Natural, Being There)

Robert Elswit (Boogie Nights, Syriana)

William Fraker (Rosemary's Baby, Close Encounters of the Third Kind)

Conrad L. Hall (deceased) (American Beauty, Road to Perdition)

Nathan Hope (CSI, The Fog)

Woody Omens (Coming to America, Boomerang)

John Schwartzman (Seabiscuit, Pearl Harbor)

Robert Yeoman (The Royal Tenenbaums, The Squid and the Whale)

#### **Editors**

Jeff Betancourt (The Good Girl, The Grudge)

Anita Brandt-Burgoyne (Legally Blonde)

Robert Dalva (October Sky, Hidalgo)

Jeffrey Ford (One Hour Photo, Shattered Glass)

Richard A. Harris (Titanic, L.A. Story)

Lee Haxall (Arrested Development)

Sheldon Kahn (Out of Africa, Be Cool)

Steve Kemper (Face/Off, Windtalkers)

Marcia Lucas (Star Wars)

Walter Murch (Apocalypse Now, The English Patient, Jarhead)

John Ottman (The Usual Suspects, X-Men 2)

Jon Poll (Meet the Parents, Meet the Fockers)

Eric Sears (Must Love Dogs, Gia)

Terilyn Shropshire (Eve's Bayou, Diary of a Mad Black Woman)

# **Production Designers**

Robert Boyle (Troop Beverly Hills)

Henry Bumstead (deceased) (Million Dollar Baby, Mystic River)

Greg Fonseca (Gladiator)

## **Sound Editors and Re-Recording Mixers**

Richard L. Anderson (Raiders of the Lost Ark)

Ben Burtt (Star Wars Episodes I-III)

Thierry Couturier (The X-Files)

Stephen Hunter Flick (Apollo 13)

Doug Hemphill (Walk the Line, The Insider)

Tom Johnson (Titanic, Million Dollar Baby)

F. Hudson Miller (Gone in 60 Seconds, Pearl Harbor)

Gary Rydstrom (Saving Private Ryan, Finding Nemo)

Mark Stoeckinger (The Last Samurai)

Sharon Tylk-Gersh (ER)

Eliot Tyson (Glory, The Shawshank Redemption)

#### **Visual Effects**

John Cox (Babe, X-Men)

Richard Edlund (Alien, Star Wars)

Ray Harryhausen (Jason and the Argonauts)

John Knoll (Pirates of the Caribbean, Star Wars)

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Gray Marshall (Being John Malkovich)
Michael McAlister (Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom)
Lewis Siegel (The Matrix, Technical Director)
Lindy Wilson (Deep Impact, Digital Effects Artist)

## **Documentary Filmmakers**

Les Blank (Garlic Is as Good as Ten Mothers)

Jeff Blitz (Spellbound)

Chuck Braverman (Curtain Call)

Bill Couturie (Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam)

R.J. Cutler (American High)

Lisa Leeman (Metamorphosis)

Alec Lorimore (IMAX: Everest)

Ellen Perry (The Fall of Fujimori)

# **Executives (Film/Television/Interactive)**

Angela Bromstad (President, NBC/Universal Television Studios)

Kevin Bachus (Creator of X-Box)

Polly Cohen (President, Warner Independent Pictures)

Samuel Dickerman (Sony Pictures Entertainment)

Jonathan Glickman (President, Spyglass Entertainment Group)

Liz Glotzer (President, Castle Rock Productions)

Robert Greenblatt (President, Showtime)

Peter Kang (Vice President of Production, Twentieth Century Fox)

Jon Kroll (Executive Vice President, Original Programming,

New Line Television)

Laird Malamed (Activision)

Bill Mechanic (President, Pandemonium)

Sharon Morrill (President, DisneyToon Studios)

Mark Ordesky (Executive Vice President, New Line Productions)

Bob Osher (Chief Operating Officer, Columbia Pictures Motion

Picture Group)

Santiago Pozo (Chief Executive Officer, Arenas Group)

Michelle Raimo (Senior Vice President, Production, *Paramount*)

Jason Reed (Vice President, Buena Vista Motion

Pictures Group)

Bruce Rosenblum (Executive Vice President, Warner Bros.

Television Group)

Ira Rubenstein (Senior Vice President, Sony Pictures

Digital Entertainment)

Scott Sassa (Kleiner Perkins)

Toper Taylor (President and COO, *The Cookie Jar Company*) James Whitaker (President of Production, *Imagine Entertainment*)

### **Agents**

Frank Balkin (Paradigm)

Glen Bickel (Creative Artists Agency)

Charlie Ferraro (United Talent Agency)

Todd Hoffman (International Creative Management)

Ramses Ishak (William Morris Agency)

Aaron Kaplan (William Morris Agency)

David Kramer (United Talent Agency)

Bryan Lourd (Creative Artists Agency)

Gregory McKnight (William Morris Agency)

Dan Rabinow (International Creative Management)

Phil Raskind (Endeavor)

Elizabeth Swofford (Creative Artists Agency)

Jim Wiatt (President and Co-CEO of William Morris Agency)

#### Scholars/Authors

Richard Cante (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill)

Mary Desjardins (Dartmouth College)

David Desser (University of Illinois, Urbana)

Anna Everett (UC Santa Barbara)

Sean Griffin (Southern Methodist University)

Mary Kearney (University of Texas, Austin)

Amy Lawrence (Dartmouth College)

Hilary Nerone (University of Vermont)

Abé Markus Nornes (*University of Michigan*)

Bhaskar Sarkar (UC Santa Barbara)

Ellen Strain (Georgia Tech)

Gaylyn Studlar (*University of Michigan*)

Christina Venegas (UC Santa Barbara)

Mark Williams (Dartmouth College)

#### **Critics**

**Scott Foundas** 

Peter Rainier

Holly Willis