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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts, Media: Theory
& Production 2:1

University of Paisley, Craigie
Campus

September 1997 - September
2000

Bachelor of Arts, Creative
Producing For Film

Limerick University, Limerick
September 2023 - April 2024

Post-Graduate Diploma,
Advanced Producing

TU Dublin, Dublin
Expected in June 2026

BRIAN DURCAN

Producer/ cinematographer

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Independent and innovative film maker working out of Westport, Co.Mayo. I am a skilled and experienced Producer. I have 25 years of experience in media and film production. I am the co owner of Western Front Studios, a high quality film production company.

WORK HISTORY

October 2019 - Current

Western Front Studios LTD - Company Director / Producer, Westport, Mayo
I currently own my own production company. We make high quality cinematic films for commercial and artistic purposes. Corporate clients include: **Mayo CoCo, The Soda Bread Way, Wyatt Hotel, MindSpace, CYPSC, Dundrum Airfield, Allergan, Anoka Learning, Delphi Resort, Mayo Advertiser, Galway Advertiser, Athlone Advertiser and Knock Church.**

SHORT FILMS

- 2025 **Collision**, Dir: Michael Carolan, Producer, DoP - RTE Storyland
- 2025 **Reborn**, Dir Alanna MacNamee, DoP - Engine Scheme
- 2025 **Horseback**, Dir Mark McAuley, DoP
- 2026 **The Parting**, Marissa Aroy, DoP - NTA Funded
- 2025 **Night Driver**, Dir: Michael Carolan, Producer/ DoP - Virgin Media Discovers Scheme.
- 2025 **Magic Markers**, Dir: Jason Branagan, DoP - Screen Ireland Focus Scheme 2024
- 2024 **Minding**, Dir: Emily Foran DoP, Screen Ireland Focus Scheme 2024.
- 2024 **The Knife**, Dir: Joy Nesbitt, DoP - Virgin Media Discovers Scheme.
- 2024 **Our Father**, Dir: Sheila Moylette DoP / Producer - Actor as Creator Screen Ireland Scheme 2024.
- 2024 **Cogar**, Dir: Elaine Kennedy, DoP - Fisin film bursary 2024.
- 2024 **Remote Strutting**, Dir: Lorna Fitzsimons - DoP, Ardan / RTE Bursary
- 2024 **A Simple Killing**, Dir: Jason Branagan - DoP/ Producer / Offaly Film Bursary
- 2023 **They Can't Know About Me**, Dir: Michael Carolan - DoP
- 2023 **Carrying Wood**, Dir: Linda Schirmer - DoP / Producer - Arts Council of Ireland funded.
- 2023 **#bog**, Dir: Lorna Fitzsimons - DoP - Engine Scheme
- 2023 **Next**, Dir: Gerard Walsh - DoP / Producer
- 2023 **Picture Day**, Dir: Jason Branagan - DoP. South Dublin CoCo / Creative bursary award

- 2023 **Barry V the Binman**, Dir: Craig Moore - DoP / Producer Westmeath Film Bursary Film
- 2023 **Call Me Nancy**, Dir: Seamus Hughes - DoP
- 2022 **Bruise**, Dir: Mo O'Connell - Producer + DoP / Producer
- 2020 **Be Positive** - Writer, Director, Producer, Editor.
- 2019 **Ms. In-Between** - Writer, Director, Producer, Editor.

MUSIC VIDEOS

- 2022 Grace: The Light is Endless, Artist: Trainroom., DoP / Producer

PROMOTIONAL FILMS

- 2024 LEADER Campaign, 10 Promotional Films - DoP / Producer - LEADER South West Mayo Development Scheme
- 2024 MCC - Promo- DoP / Producer
- 2023 The Church on the Hill, DoP / Producer - Creative Ireland Award Roscommon.
- 2023 The Choice is Yours, DoP / Producer , Dir:: Alan Friel - Mayo County Council
- 2023 Aquacom, Director: Isabel Paradis - DoP / Producer
- 2023 The Soda Bread Way, Website Video - DoP / Producer
- 2022 The Wyatt Hotel, Website Video - DoP / Producer
- 2021 Wild Atlantic Way / Dir: Alan Friel - DoP / Producer.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- May 2025 - Selected under **RTE Storyland** to make 1 episode of TV drama called "Collision"
- Aug 2024 - Two of our **Virgin Media Discovers Scheme 2024** Projects got down to the final 10 and we won the opportunity to make Night Driver.
- Nov 2023 - Winner of the **Ardan/RTE Film Commision Bursary** for short film "Remote Strutting"
- July 2024 - Winner of the **Offaly Film Bursary** to produce our Short Film "A Simple Killing."
- Nov 2022 - Winner of the **Westmeath Film Bursary** for short film "Barry Versus the Binman" with Western Front Studios and Craig Moore.
- May 2022 and 2023 - Mayo **Artists Bursary** Award - Mayo CoCo
- Jan 2021 - **Won a LEADER grant** to buy a cinematic camera and equipment