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Strong Portfolio, show reel with Ads, movies and references available for viewing. http://www.imdb.com/name/nm4072770/

#### SINOPSIS OF MY PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

I am a young award winning director, known for my creativity, strength and energy. Born in Seville, I grew up as an artist, writing tales, poems, theatre and newspapers in school and expressing myself through painting at home.

By the time I was 25, I won some prizes for painting and writing and in 1997 when I arrived in Dublin I decided to move to advertising and film. After studying Marketing at the Institute of Marketing of Ireland, in 2001 I attended a Master in Filming in the Cinematographic Centre of Cataluña (CEEC), Barcelona, where I started to shoot hmy first shorts. Moving back to Ireland, I attended a script workshop with Laurence Henson (John Grierson's disciple), a direction and producing workshop in IADT (Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design & Technology, Ireland), a cinema analysis workshop in Saor-Ollscoil Na hÉireann, an acting course in the Gaiety School of Acting of Dublin and a script workshop (August 2005) in Dublin with the prestigious script writer Bobette Buster, collaborator in films like "Chocolat", "Swimming Pool" and "8 Femmes" among others.

I have more than ten years experience in shooting TVC, corporate videos and shorts for the advertising and film industry in both Spain and Ireland. My latest short film "Seventy" before my feature film has been selected in the following festivals in the official sections: Festival de Cine Pobre de Cuba, Cannes Film Festival, Short Short Film Festival de Tokio, Festival de Cine de Sanlucar la Mayor, Festival de Cine de Tres Cantos (Madrid), New York Independent Film and Video Festival 2008, Los Angeles Independent Film and Video festival 2008, Tampere Film Festival, Teheran Film Festival, Microcurt de Barcelona, Visual Sound Barcelona, Festival de Cine Independiente de Elche, Festival de Cortos de Dos Hermanas, Fila Valladolid, Festival Cine Beijing, among others.

After winning a few awards with "Seventy" (Best Short Film of the Year 2007 in Andalusia-RTVA Awards and First Award at Eutopia Film Festival), my directorial breakthrough in feature films came with "**The Magic of Hope**" **aka** "**El Vuelo Del Tren**" (see the International material including trailer & press book at <a href="http://www.eastwest-distribution.com/film\_magicofhope.htm">http://www.eastwest-distribution.com/film\_magicofhope.htm</a> and Spanish trailer at <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bg2gO-r2fd8">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bg2gO-r2fd8</a> ). For more information about the movie go to <a href="http://elvuelodeltrenfilm.blogspot.com/">http://elvuelodeltrenfilm.blogspot.com/</a>.

The film was released in cinemas in Spain in May 2011 and it was selected in the Galway Film Festival 2011. I wrote, produced and directed my opera prima in Seville, Spain and received good praise from Spanish film critics who consider my work as a serious filmmaker full of emotion and truth, a new director with an honest, sincere and incredible mise en scene and marvellous shots (see page 3 for praise from critics).

## **ACADEMIC DETAILS**

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I attended a script workshop with Laurence Henson, John Grierson's disciple; a direction and producing workshop in IADT (Dun Laoghaire institute of Art, Design & Technology – Ireland), where I filmed my first short-movie "Hasty Betrayal"; a cinema analysis workshop in Saor-Ollscoil Na hÉireann; and an acting course in the famous Gaiety School of Acting of Dublin.

I attended a script workshop (August 2005) in Dublin, with the prestigious script writer Bobette Buster, collaborator in films like "Chocolat", "Swimming Pool" or "8 Femmes", between others. Engineering in Spain 1992-1996.

## REMARKABLE WORK AS A FILMMAKER, PRODUCER and SCREENWRITER--seelinks

Features film

#### El vuelo del tren (2010-2011)

Director, Producer and screenwriter

See the International trailer <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tk0Z1vnhXYQ">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tk0Z1vnhXYQ</a> and Spanish trailer at <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bg2gO-r2fd8">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bg2gO-r2fd8</a>

Blue guitar (2011), Hurt, Atrocities and Castro Films Projects in development as writer & director.

**Shorts** 

#### The waitress (2010)

Co- Producer

Director: Michael Goldberg

See info in http://vicofilms.tumblr.com/post/1056783123/shooting-begins-on-the-waitress

Setenta (2007) "Seventy"

Codirector and writer

See the short <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2B7UeF3FbA">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2B7UeF3FbA</a>

Distributed http://www.filmmovement.com/filmcatalog/index.asp?MerchandiseID=188

Zona Cero (2004) "Ground zero"

Director and screenwriter

Instante (2002) "Moments"

Director and screenwriter

La última pared (2002) "The last wall"

Director and screenwriter

Desengaño Precipitado (2001) "Hasty Betrayal"

Director and screenwriter

**Documentaries** 

Carros Vacíos (2002) "Empty trolleys"

Director and screenwriter

Sombras del sol (2003) "Shadows of the sun"

Producer

See info in films at <a href="http://www.peregrinepictures.com/">http://www.peregrinepictures.com/</a>

**Television** 

# Kultur Project (2007-2008)

Director and screenwriter

See the promo <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EXHWSDSHvfc">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EXHWSDSHvfc</a>

**Spots TV** 

3 Tv ads Fundación Doñana 21 (environmental organisation)

See <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RuxgO2FjYyE&feature=channel">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RuxgO2FjYyE&feature=channel</a>

3 Tv ads IU campaña autonómicas 2008 (political party spain)

See <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JnKD5xQYk3U&feature=channel">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JnKD5xQYk3U&feature=channel</a>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gXRZCClkpzE&feature=channel

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cz8EH6P5rRw&feature=channel

2 Tv ads IU campaña municipales 2007 (political party spain)

See http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FM0XY\_vGJ4w&feature=channel

1 Tv ads Estatuto de Andalucía Izquierda Unida, Febrero 2007 (political party spain) See

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMBOj1nJ5Xc&feature=PlayList&p=786B7130C6D3 C6EB&index=0

**Corporate Videos** 

Corporate video Isla Mágica 2007

Ver http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oqxlWWJIU0k&feature=fvsr

Corporate video Puerto de Algeciras

Corporate video 100 Montaditos

Ver http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AqfShIBCfGs

### Praise for "The Magic of Hope" aka "El Vuelo del Tren" a film by Paco Torres

Variety.com by Jonathan Holland:

http://www.variety.com/review/VE1117945377/

Critics Cinema:

http://www.criticscinema.com/criticas/peliculas/El\_vuelo\_del\_tren.php

Yahoo! Cine:

http://es.movies.yahoo.com/e/el-vuelo-del-tren/critica-9100590.html

Cope.es by Pantalla Grande:

http://www.cope.es/ocio/29-04-11--criticas-de-los-estrenos-de-cine-del-29-de-abril-240863-1

Huelva Información: http://www.huelvainformacion.es/article/ocio/965884/aprendiendo/vivir.html

El País:

http://www.elpais.com/articulo/cine/golpes/bajos/elpepuculcin/20110429elpepicin 5/Tes

Fotogramas:

http://www.fotogramas.es/Peliculas/El-vuelo-del-tren/Critica

TV Interview:

http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/videos/dias-de-cine/dias-cine-vuelo-del-tren/1086403/