PAULA HUNZIKER DIRECTOR DGA/IATSE LOCAL #871

BIOGRAPHY

Paula Hunziker is an award winning director born and raised in Southern California with a successful career in the film and television industry for the past 23 years. As a graduate of Cal State University Long Beach Radio, TV & Film department, Paula pursued her love of editing and passion to direct into her career as a Script Supervisor working on many independent features and has spent the last 18 years in all genres of Episodic Television from Drama, Action, & Comedy to Horror.

Calling it "23 years of the best Shadowing experience" her time on set has given her undeniable expertise visually, tonally, and editorially on the needs of the show. Paula truly understands the filmmaking process, has a great ability to cut to the heart of an issue, works wonderfully with other departments and is an impeccable multi-tasker. She uses her ability to get back on set at all times when not directing to dive in grasping new narratives, as well as learning any new aspects of filmmaking.

After joining the crew of the hit show Pretty Little Liars in 2010, Paula went on to direct two episodes of Pretty Little Liars in season 6 & season 7. And shortly after directed an episode of Famous In Love for the FreeForm Network.

In December 2012, Paula co- wrote, produced and directed her 15-minute short film "You & Me". She showed how she could deliver a strong character driven piece that was selected into multiple Film Festivals and garnered her three awards in the 2015 Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema including Best Director, Best Screenplay and Maury Austin Award for Best Female Director.

This paved her way into two studio Directing programs. Paula is an alum of both the ABC/Disney Directing Program and the Warners Bros Directing Workshop and a member of The Directors Guild of America.

DIRECTOR

PRETTY LITTLE LIARS	WARNER HORIZON/FREEFORM	Ep#617 "We've All Got Baggage"
PRETTY LITTLE LIARS	WARNER HORIZON/FREEFORM	EP#716 "THE GLOVE THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE"
FAMOUS IN LOVE	WARNER HORIZON/FREEFORM	EP#205 "Reality Bites Back"
YOU & ME	NIGHTSKY ENTERTAINMENT	SHORT FILM
"STAND UP"- Mady McGraw	NIGHTSKY ENT/ JILL7PRODS	MUSIC VIDEO

PRODUCER/WRITER

YOU & ME NIGHTSKY ENTERTAINMENT SHORT FILM

STUDIO DIRECTING PROGRAMS PARTICIPANT

WARNER BROS TELEVISION DIRECTING WORKSHOP ABC/ DISNEY DIRECTING PROGRAM (DISNEY/ABC CTDI)

CHRIS MACK/ BETHANY ROONEY JANINE JONES-CLARK, EMERLYNN LOMPITOC, VICTOR BUI

FILM FESTIVALS

- "You & Me" California International Shorts Festival 2014
- "You & Me" IFFCA -International Film Fest of Cinematic Arts -2014
- "You & Me" Idyllwild international Festival of Cinema 2015
- "You & Me" Pasadena International Film Festival 2015

AWARDS

- Grand Jury Award: Best Featurette Idyllwild international Festival of Cinema 2015
- Mary Austin Award: Best Director Feature/Feature Idyllwild international Festival of Cinema 2015
- Best Screenplay: Featurette Idyllwild international Festival of Cinema 2015