

ASIL MOUSSA

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Asil Moussa is a director, writer, and actor. Asil's short film, **The Card**, which she wrote and directed, screened at film festivals worldwide. Asil Moussa won the Windsor Endowment for the Arts Emerging Artists Grant, which said that Asil "tackles big issues with simplistic, impactful storytelling" and her film inspires reflections on "diversity, perception, and human interaction." The film was broadcasted on CBC's TV show *Absolutely Canadian*, and praised as a semi-finalist for CBC's TV competition show, *Short Film Face Off*.

Asil graduated with a Bachelors in English Literature, Creative Writing, and Digital Journalism from the University of Windsor, and received a Certificate of Film Studies from Toronto Metropolitan University. Asil's published multiple pieces and worked on numerous films, including **The Tiger Hunter** (on Netflix) and **The Quick and Dirty** (on Amazon Prime Video). She's also acted on the TV comedy series, **Mangoes: A Slice of Life**. The Riveter Magazine called Asil "the hijab-wearing actress you should know".

Asil co-wrote the feature film script, **Lost in the Pines**, which was selected for MPAC's screenwriting workshop with Wayfarer Entertainment, as well as the Muslim List on The Black List. Asil also wrote multiple episodes on the animated series, **Time Hoppers**, slated for a 2023 release.

DIRECTING & SCREENWRITING EXPERIENCE

Lost in the Pines (Feature Film) <i>Co-Writer, Producer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Chosen for MPAC X Wayfarer Entertainment Screenwriting Workshop in Los Angeles- Selected for The Muslim List on The Black List in 2022- Script available for option/ purchase. Pitched to Walt Disney Studios in 2022	Jan 2018 - Present
Time Hoppers (Series) <i>Writer of 3 episodes on Animated Children's Sci-Fi Adventure Series</i>	May - July 2022
Atlasia Kids Magazine (Commercial) <i>Director, Writer, Performer</i>	Sept-Oct 2021
The Card (Short Film) <i>Writer, Director, Producer, Actor</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Competed on national TV for CBC's Short Film Face Off in 2019- Licensed film to CBC's Absolutely Canadian: Windsor Shorts in 2019- Screened at festivals in Edmonton, Toronto, Los Angeles, and Windsor- Won Honorable Mention at One-Reeler Short Film Competition 2017- Won \$4000 in grants from the Windsor ACH Fund & Windsor Endowment for the Arts	April 2016-Nov 2017
The Makeover (Short Film) <i>Story Editor, Director, Camera Operator</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Won Best Achievement in a Short Film Team Project at Peter Gerretsen Film Awards	June 2015- July 2015
Muslims of Windsor (Documentary) <i>Writer, Researcher, Producer, Director, Cinematographer, Narrator, Editor</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Documentary screened at Windsor Islamic Appreciation Dinner- Awarded Honorable Mention at Windsor Youth Film Screenings in June 2014	Apr 2013 - May 2013
Poetry Videos <i>Writer, Director, Producer, Performer, Production Designer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">· Created videos as visual accompaniment to poetry. Videos available on YouTube.- "Strings" poetry video screened at Windsor Youth Film Screenings in June 2014	Jan 2013 - June 2013

SELECTED ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Windsor International Film Festival <i>Administrative Coordinator</i> • Manages finances, sponsors, office, and daily ongoings of the organization and festival	Aug 2022–Present
Hysteria (Feature Film) <i>Actor, ACTRA</i>	Nov 2022
Long Night in Egypt (Audio Series) <i>Principal Actor</i>	June 2022
Mangoes: A Slice of Life (TV) <i>Actor</i> – Spoke English and Arabic	July 2018
Suede Productions <i>Actor, Producer, Writer, Editor</i> · Produced, filmed, and edited commercials and videos. Wrote scripts, communicated with clients, and managed locations, actors, wardrobe, props, crew, and schedule. – Clients includes: Mercedes-Benz, Audi, Gentherm, FINA, National Geographic	Nov 2015 – Oct 2017
The Quick and Dirty (Film, on Amazon Prime Video) <i>Production Manager, Locations Manager</i> · Created production schedule and call sheets. Managed crew and talent communication, locations, wardrobe, props and craft services on a 3-week production shoot	July 2017–Sept 2017
The Tiger Hunter (Feature Film, on Netflix) – Los Angeles, CA <i>Pre-Production Intern, Set Production Assistant, Extras Casting Intern, EPK</i>	Apr 2014 – Aug 2014

EDUCATION

Armstrong Acting Studios Introduction to On Camera Performance	August 2021
Film Studies Certificate, Ryerson University	May 2015 – Aug 2015
Digital Journalism, English Literature, & Creative Writing Bachelor's of Arts (Combined Honours) with Distinction, University of Windsor	Sept 2011 – April 2015

SKILLS

- Strong foundation in storytelling and filmmaking, particularly in directing, writing, story editing, & producing
- Creative, organized, resourceful & innovative in problem-solving with strong prioritization in fast-paced environments
- Excellent communication skills, positive attitude, proactive, successful leader and team member
- *Bilingual:* Arabic-speaking. *Technical Skills:* Fade In, Excel, Adobe Premiere, After Effects. Photoshop, Final Cut Pro X

ADDITIONAL AWARDS/ RECOGNITION

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| • CBC Interview with Amanda Parris for short film THE CARD | Aug 2019 |
| • Featured on CBC Article/Video: "I hope that one day a hijabi will lead a blockbuster film" | Aug 2019 |
| • Featured on The Riveter Magazine: "Asil Moussa, The Hijab-Wearing Actress You Should Know" | Nov 2017 |
| • University of Windsor Renewable Entrance Scholarship & Outstanding Scholar & Dean's List | Sept 2011 – Apr 2015 |
| • Won High School Essex Region Conservation Authority Poetry Contest | June 2011 |



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Unions: ACTRA Apprentice Playing Age: 17-37
Eyes: Brown Hair: Wears headscarf Build: Slim

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SELECTED FILM / TV

Hysteria (Feature)	Principal	Hysteria Productions
Queen Tut (Feature)	Featured	Fae Pictures
Mangoes: A Slice of Life (TV)	Guest Star	Mangoes TV Production Inc
No-Clusivity (Short)	Lead	El Oko Films
Stand Up Man (Feature)	Featured	Stand Up Man Inc.
The Card (Short)	Lead	AM Stories

SELECTED COMMERCIAL

Metrolinx Presto	Lead	Metrolinx
Nisa Homes	Lead	Axle Films Inc.
Atlasia Kids Magazine	Lead	Atlasia Kids
University of Windsor – “You Will Succeed”	Lead	Suede Productions
AutoGravity Car Leasing App	Featured	Suede Productions
Windsor Family Credit Union	Featured	WFCU

SELECTED VOICEOVER

Long Night in Egypt (Audio-Fiction Series)	Series Regular	Violet Hour Media
Nisa Homes (Commercial)	Voiceover	Axle Films Inc.
illumiNATION Canada 2020, 2021 (TV)	Voiceover (Arabic)	Rogers Media
Muslims of Windsor (Documentary)	Narrator	Windsor Islamic Council

EDUCATION/ TRAINING

The Next Step	LB Acting Studios	April 2022
Monologue & Commercial Workshop	Gloria Mann, Casting Director	Feb 2022
Introduction to On Camera Performance	Armstrong Acting Studios	August 2021
Film Studies Certificate	Ryerson University	May - Aug 2015
-- <i>Related coursework:</i> Acting and Directing Screen Performance		
Digital Journalism, English Literature, & Creative Writing	University of Windsor	Sept 2011-April 2015
Bachelor's of Arts (Combined Honours) with Distinction		

PERFORMER SKILLS

- Voiceover. Fluent in Egyptian Arabic. Loves animals. Willing to travel.

SELECTED FILMMAKER EXPERIENCE

Lost in the Pines (Feature)	Co-Writer	AM Stories
Film and CGI Boutique	Producer / Editor	Suede Productions
The Card (Short)	Writer, Producer, Director	AM Stories
The Tiger Hunter (Feature)	Set PA, Extras Casting Intern, EPK	The Tiger Hunter LLC – Los Angeles, CA
Muslims of Windsor (Documentary)	Writer, Producer, Director, Editor	Windsor Islamic Council