

Short Film

Write, direct, film and edit your own short movie. Before writing your film consider how many people you have that can work on the film with you. Write the movie to fit who you have. Next, gather your film crew and get started! Remember to always make each scene have more than one long piece of footage when filming. You can turn a boring 20 second walk across a room into two small clips. One clip of a person walking (2 seconds) and then one clip of them at their destination (2 seconds). This will be more interesting for your audience! If you are not sure what I mean, watch your favorite movie and pay close attention to the details of how it is filmed. Does the camera switch angles over and over in most scenes? This helps highlight what is important in the scene and keeps the audience engaged in the story. While editing isn't always everyone's favorite job, it is one of the most important steps. You may realize, while editing, that your lighting wasn't right and you want to do a reshoot or that you need to edit out some dead time where nothing is really happening. Good editing can make or break a film so dive in and see what you can do. Most importantly, have fun and be creative!