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b. 1989, Miami, FL Lives and works in Miami, FL

Education

2012 BFA, Film; University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL

Selected Filmography

2023 Mountains (95 mins), Director/Co-Writer
 2021 Lost Underground (10 mins), Producer
 You Can Always Come Home (6 mins), Producer
 Reginald O'Neal (3 mins), Director
 HOW TO: Oh, look at me (11 mins), Producer

2019 *T* (14 mins), Producer

Selected Festivals and Screenings

2023 Mountains, Toronto International Film Festival, Toronto, ON Mountains, BlackStar Film Festival, Philadelphia, PA Mountains, Tribeca Festival, New York, NY

You Can Always Come Home, Cucalorus Film Festival, Wilmington, NC You Can Always Come Home, BlackStar Film Festival, Philadelphia, PA You Can Always Come Home, Miami Film Festival, Miami, FL

2021 Lost Underground, Untitled Art Fair, Miami Beach, FL You Can Always Come Home, New Orleans Film Festival, New Orleans, LA HOW TO: Oh, look at me, SoundScape Park, Miami, FL

2020 *T*, Miami Film Festival, Miami, FL

T, Berlinale, Berlin, DE

T, Sundance Film Festival, Park City, UT

2019 *T*, New Orleans Film Festival, New Orleans, LA *T*, BlackStar Film Festival, Philadelphia, PA

Group Exhibitions

- 2023 South Florida Cultural Consortium, Art and Culture Center/Hollywood, Hollywood, FL
- 2022 Miami is Not the Caribbean. Yet it Feels Like it, Oolite Arts, Miami Beach, FL
- 2021 Feels Like 97°, Oolite Arts, Miami Beach, FL Rupture/Ruptura, UMD Latin American Studies Center, College Park, MD
- 2020 Materialize, Oolite Arts, Miami Beach, FL
- 2019 On The Road II, Oolite Arts, Miami Beach, FL

Awards, Grants, and Residencies

- 2023 South Florida Cultural Consortium Fellowship, Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, Miami, FL
 - Wavemaker Grant for R+D Implementation, Locust Projects, Miami, FL

Miami Individual Artists Stipend Program Award, Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, Miami, FL

- *Mountains*, U.S. Narrative Feature Special Jury Mention, Tribeca Festival Fellow, Artists in Residence in Everglades (AIRIE), Homestead, FL
- 2019-23 Cinematic Arts Residency, Oolite Arts, Miami, FL
- 2022 Mountains, U.S. in Progress, American Film Festival, Wrocław, PL Mountains, Gotham Week Project Market – U.S. Features in Post, Brooklyn, NY Wavemaker Grant for Research + Development, Locust Projects, Miami, FL Miami Individual Artists Stipend Program Award, Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, Miami, FL You Can Always Come Home, Knight Made in MIA Award, First Prize, Miami Film Festival
- 2021-22 Resident Artist, Bakehouse Art Complex, Miami, FL Caribbean Cultural Institute Artist Fellowship, Pérez Art Museum Miami, Miami, FL
- 2021 *Mountains*, Gotham Week Project Market U.S. Features, Virtual Southern Producer's Lab, New Orleans Film Society, Virtual
- Through Her Lens: The Tribeca Chanel Women's Filmmaker Program, Virtual *T*, Knight Made in MIA Short Film Award, Miami Film Festival *T*, Golden Bear for Best Short Film, Berlinale
- 7, Special Jury Mention for Breakthrough in Filmmaking, New Orleans Film Festival
 7, Audience Award, New Orleans Film Festival
 7, Favorite Narrative Short, BlackStar Film Festival
 Home + Away: Atlantic Center for the Arts, Oolite Arts, New Smyrna Beach, FL
- 2018 Southern Producers Lab, New Orleans Film Society, New Orleans, LA

Professional Experience

- 2019-20 Program Director; Video Art Club, Oolite Arts, Miami, FL
- 2018-20 Associate Director, Programs & Industry; Third Horizon Film Festival, Miami, FL
- 2019 Teaching Artist; The Big Payback Summer Camp, Miami, FL Artist Mentor; Video Art Club, Oolite Arts, Miami, FL
- 2017-19 Advising Artist; After School Film Institute, Miami, FL
- 2017-18 Teaching Assistant; New York Film Academy South Beach, Miami, FL

Film Programming

- 2019 Of Men and Gods, MOCA Moving Images, Museum of Contemporary Art, North Miami, FL
- 2018 Afro-Futurist Visions, (F)empower Presents: 2040, Miami, FL
- 2018 Telling Tales: Caribbean Short Film Block, Miami Book Fair, Miami, FL

Lectures, Presentations, and Workshops

- 2023 Aimé Césaire: The Mask of Words, University of Miami Center for Global Black Studies, Coral Gables Art Cinema, Coral Gables, FL MOCA Moving Images: Moloch Tropical, Museum of Contemporary Art, North Miami, FL
- 2022 Documenting Our Landscape, Oolite Arts, Miami Beach, FL
- 2021 Afrofuturism, Slamdance Miami, Historic Hampton House, Miami, FL Collective Conversations, New Negress Film Society, Virtual
- 2020 Local Views: Monica Sorelle, Pérez Art Museum Miami, Virtual
- 2018 Casting for Filmmakers & Actors, Miami Independent Film Festival, Miami Beach Cinematheque, Miami, FL

Selection Panels and Juries

- 2023 Juror, Local Love Letters: Little Haiti, Oolite Arts
- Selection Panelist, 2022 ScreenDance MiamiJuror, Live Action Shorts, 57th Chicago International Film Festival
- 2019 Judge, film-maker (Season 2), WPBT South Florida PBS

Selected Press

- Dessane Lopez Cassell, "In 'Mountains', Tracing Miami's Complexities Onscreen," Seen Journal, July 17, 2023, Web.
- Shane Slater, "Director Monica Sorelle on Crafting 'Mountains' and Exploring Gentrification in Little Haiti," Awards Radar, June 26, 2023, Web.
- Lovia Gyarkye, "'Mountains' Review: A Tender Directorial Debut Explores Gentrification in Miami's Little Haiti," The Hollywood Reporter, June 16, 2023, Web.
- 2021 "Lost Underground: A Conversation on Queer Space & Care," Untitled Art Podcast, Miami, FL, December 3, 2021, Web.
- Rene Rodriguez, "6 Miami Filmmakers and Their Stories," Miami Herald, October 10, 2021, 9A.
- Dessane Lopez Cassell, "Amid Climate Change and Rapid Gentrification, a Caribbean Film Festival Centers Notions of Home," Hyperallergic, March 3, 2020, Web.
- 2019 Lance Dixon, "Why this Miami filmmaker focused her lens on Little Haiti," The New Tropic, October 15, 2019, Web.
- Taylor Estape, "Oolite Arts' 'On the Road II' Contemplates the Freedom of Mobility for Marginalized Communities," Miami New Times, October 8, 2019, Web.
- 2018 "The Creative Class 2018: Third Horizon," CASSIUS, Web.
- Hans Morgenstern, "Xavier Medina, Monica Sorelle Win ArtCenter/South Florida Filmmaking Residency," Miami New Times, November 28, 2018, Web.