



911

DJINI PRODUCTIONS AND H8C PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS A COLLABORATION PICTURE
CICI COOPER JAMILA JOINER DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY FRANK WEBER EDITED BY KENNETH ALTMAN AND KARYN OSTREM
COSTUME DESIGNER TAYLOR NICOLE KNOX CASTING BY AIYANA RUGGIERO AND NICOLE UBBELOHDE
WRITTEN BY ALISON GUESSOU PRODUCED AND DIRECTED BY ALISON GUESSOU AND JUSTIN CHRISTOPHER AYD

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Synopsis



A 911 dispatcher answers a distressed call from a couple stopped for a suspicious car reported.



DIRECTOR'S BIOGRAPHY

Alison Guessou

As a budding filmmaker, Guessou's aim is to tell those stories that are not often told and to bring to light the characters that we rarely see. Her belief in having diverse perspectives represented behind the camera will add to the narratives of today. Her goal is to develop feature films that bring the experience of our communities to life; not only stories which speak to the concerns of our time but also provide entertaining stories through diverse casts and crew.

Prior to filmmaking, Guessou worked as a Project Manager for multiple agencies. As a Bachelor's in Business Administration and Master's in Project Management graduate, she is the founder of Djini Productions dedicated to enhancing the dynamics in film production.



CO-DIRECTOR

Justin Christopher Ayd

Justin Christopher Ayd of H8C Productions is a Minneapolis based filmmaker. To date, he has worked on various short subject videos and commercials including videography for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and Sophia Learning. In 2012 Justin directed and produced "The Man in the Booth", a short subject documentary about the end of 35mm film projection, and in 2016 he produced a feature-length documentary titled "Dear Walt". He's currently in production on a documentary called "Knife River" 20-miles north of Duluth, Minnesota.

Director's Statement

The last few years have been difficult ones for black people. With the increased use of social media, we see hurtful images of black people being harmed by the police force. My short film "911" was developed in response to the frustrations of our current times. Whenever a shooting occurred and I would go to social media and read the comments, I would always see statements like "they should have complied with the police officer" or "they should call 911 if they don't feel safe". Yet there are black people who still get harassed when they follow instruction, and in Texas, a young black woman was assaulted by a police officer after she called the 911 line for help.

With all these thoughts in mind, through this film, I also wanted to address potential outcomes in the case where an incident occurred. Exposing viewers to the scenario where in one there was responsive action and one where nothing was done. I do hope that eventually the proper training is established by the police force to curb these deadly incidents so that all communities can experience peace.

Full Credits

CAST:

CI CI COOPER - GLADYS
JAMILA JOINER - DANA
M. A. DOERFLER - EXTRA
BAY HALL - EXTRA
MEGHANN RAND - EXTRA

CREW:

FRANK WEBER - DIRECTOR OF
PHOTOGRAPHY
KENNETH ALTMAN - EDITOR
KARYN OSTREM - EDITOR
ALESHIA MUELLER - SCRIPT SUPERVISOR
ZAK RIVERS - SOUND RECORDIST
TYLER MATTHES - CAMERA OPERATOR
TUAZENG VANG - 2ND ASSISTANT
CAMERA
SHELLY DOMINIK - PRODUCTION
ASSISTANT
CALEB MILBRATH - PRODUCTION
ASSISTANT

CASTING:

AIYANA RUGGIERO
NICOLE UBBELOHDE

WARDROBE:

TAYLOR NICOLE KNOX

LOCATION SCOUT:

CHARLOTTE ARISS

DISPATCH CONSULTANT:

ROBERT SPANDE

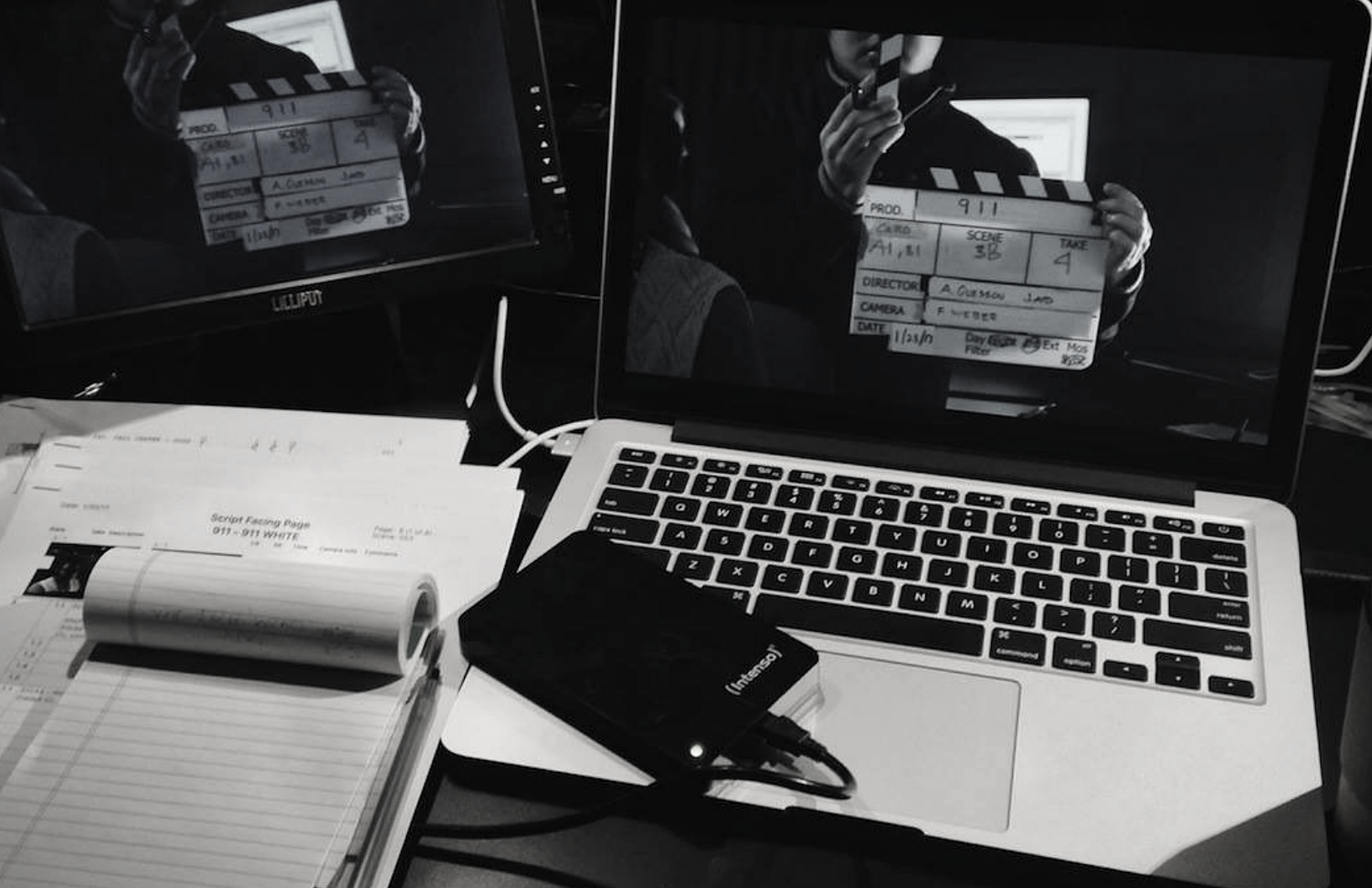
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