

# PRIYANKA SURYANENI

Broadcast Journalist with demonstrated ability to produce short-and long-form videos  
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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### **Independent Filmmaker • Bay Area** **01/2021-Present**

Currently producing two documentaries about a Tibetan monastery in Richmond and South Asian anti-caste advocacy in the Bay Area. I also run a [YouTube channel](#) and was a [Asian American Documentary Network](#) grant recipient.

### **Social Advocacy Mentor • TAL Scouts • Remote** **11/2021-06/2022**

Mentored high schoolers to produce factual and engaging multimedia stories about social issues

### **Reporter • New York Times Student Journalism Institute • Remote** **02/2021-05/2021**

Reported on race and policing in Northern California. Produced a video and a text story

### **Intern & Researcher • Haimés Film Inc • Los Angeles** **09/2020-05/2021**

Assisted in the pre-production of an investigative documentary project about LAPD wrongdoings by Nicole Lucas Haimés. Work included writing grants, fact-checking and building a timeline of the events perusing hundreds of pages of declinations, depositions, and confidential settlements.

### **Senior Producer & Managing Editor • Annenberg Media • Los Angeles** **08/2019-11/2020**

- Facilitated production of an hour-long documentary show for Spectrum News 1 TV and was responsible for editing episodes, creating social media trailers, and digital distributing.
- Led a multi-platform newsroom of 100+ journalists and oversaw daily operations for TV, radio, and digital.

### **Production Head • Pensar Creations • Hyderabad, India** **10/2013-12/2018**

In this role, I pitched, developed, and oversaw the production of 50+ documentaries and digital videos. I handled all the projects from inception to completion. I also hired and supervised crews.

### **Assistant Director • Yash Raj Films • Mumbai, India** **03/2009-12/2009**

Worked on feature film production and shot across India, Bangkok, and the United States.

## EDUCATION

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### **University of Southern California, Los Angeles** **2019-2020**

*MA - Specialized Journalism & USC Annenberg Graduate Fellow* (documentary production & social justice reporting)

### **St. Xavier's College, Mumbai, India** **2017-2019**

*MA in Ancient Indian History*

### **St. Francis Degree College, Hyderabad, India** **2003-2006**

*BA Mass Communication*

## SKILLS

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Fluent in English, Telugu, Hindi. Proficient at operating Sony FS5, Panasonic AG- CX350 and DSLR cameras. Can handle all aspects of production, Adobe Creative Suite, Final Cut Pro, MS Office. Kim Wall Scholarship, Foreign Press Association, LA Press Club Fellow.