

# RICH WILLS

*filmmaker / adventure seeker*

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## *academic preparation*

- 2011** M.F.A. in Motion Picture Arts,  
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
- 2009** B.A. in Communication Studies—Minor: English  
Clemson University, Clemson, SC

## *professional skills*

Macintosh and Windows:

*Final Cut Pro, EP Budgeting, REDCine, Microsoft Office,  
Final Draft, EP Scheduling, Nuendo, Adobe Suite,  
DVD Studio Pro, Script Coverage, Color.*

Fluent in English, proficient in French, basic Spanish.

## *honors and accomplishments*

- Fall 2011** SAG Eligible, "Lincoln", Dir. Steven Spielberg,  
Dreamworks SKG
- 2009** 1st Assistant Director, "Shadow Games", a No Budget Independent  
Feature, Richmond, VA
- 2009** Founder & Author of Newspaper Column, "The Rich Outdoors",  
The Tiger, Clemson, SC
- 2008** Climbing Instructor, Camp T. Brady Saunders, Richmond, VA
- 2008** Hiked Lower Fifth of The Appalachian Trail ( Finished Georgia,  
North Carolina & Tennessee )
- 2008** Multimedia Yearbook Team Leader, CIMBA Study Abroad Program,  
Venice, Italy
- 2005** Eagle Scout, Richmond, VA

## *professional references*

**JOHNNY E. JENSEN, ASC.** Tel. (310) 457 1393  
Director of Photography "Grumpy Old Men, Rosewood"

**KEN ROY,** Tel. (804) 216-2772  
Producer: New Millennium Studios

**REB BRADDOCK,** Associate Dean,  
College of Motion Picture Arts,  
Florida State University. Tel. (850) 212 8957  
Director: "Curdled". Executive Produced by Quentin Tarantino

## *professional experience*

- 2012** CO-PRODUCER/LOCATIONS MANAGER, Feature Film  
"Troop 491: The Adventures of the Muddy Lions"  
Director: Patrick "Praheme" Ricks, New Millennium Studios
- 2012** PRODUCTION ASSISTANT, "X-Factor, Season 2"  
Show Creator: Simon Cowell, FreemantleMedia North America
- 2012** PRODUCTION ASSISTANT, Catalog Shoot  
"Ralph Lauren Fall 2012"  
Producer: Patrick Van Maanen, Moxie Productions
- 2011** PRODUCTION ASSISTANT + PRINCIPAL ACTOR, "Lincoln"  
Director: Steven Spielberg, Dreamworks SKG
- 2011** PRODUCTION ASSISTANT, "The Glee Project 2"  
Executive Producer: Shauna Minoprio, Oxygen Network
- 2011** 1ST ASSISTANT CAMERA, Feature Trailer "7:33AM"  
Director: Aimee Dixon, Red One 4k Digital
- 2010** GRIP, Music Video "Break the Cycle"  
Director: Stephen Baldwin, HappyFunTime Industries
- 2007** PRODUCTION INTERN, WRLH FOX35, Richmond, VA

## *film school experience*

### PRODUCER

- 2011** "Trashland", narrative, Red MX 4k Digital  
*—Official Selection: Rochester Film Festival*
- 2010** "Honorable Thief", narrative, Red One 4k Digital
- 2009** "A Cup of Love", narrative, Super 16

### 1ST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

- 2011** "Our Rhineland", narrative, Red MX 4k Digital  
*—Student DGA and Student Emmy Award Winner*
- 2010** "Perfect", narrative, Red One 4k Digital
- 2009** "A Cup of Love", narrative, Super 16

### WRITER/DIRECTOR

- 2011** "Portage", narrative, Red MX 4k Digital
- 2010** "Ignition", narrative, Red One 4k Digital

### Production Experience on 41 graduate student films, including both ATL and BTL positions

*Producer, Director of Photography, Editor, Production Designer,  
Director, 1st AC, 2nd AC, B Camera Operator, Assistant Editor,  
Art Director, 1st AD, 2nd AD, Key Grip, BBG, Gaffer, BBE,  
Script Supervisor, Sound Mixer, Boom Operator.*

*Beneath Cemetery in Giza Necropolis, Cairo, Egypt, 2008*