

# Miriam Sachs

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## Incoming USC Film Major Targeting Internship Opportunities

Hard working cinematic arts student motivated to secure an internship in the industry. Fast learner and passionate visual storyteller with experience in writing, directing, and editing video projects on deadline. Collaborative team leader and communicator with the ability to adapt quickly, organize, and prioritize to complete projects.

## EDUCATION

**Four years of Advanced Cinematic Arts at Mira Costa High School - Los Angeles, CA.**

- Write, direct, produce, and edit 20+ short films, including stop motion, narrative, and documentary.
- Principal's Honor Roll (all semesters); current GPA: 3.96

**Pursuing BFA in Film and Television Production (Specialization in Directing) at USC starting in Fall, 2016**

## KEY SKILLS

**Writing:** Ample experience writing and editing treatments, stories, and scripts.

- **California State Summer School for the Arts Scholar:** Selected to attend one-month creative writing program at CalArts. Studied fiction, poetry, and playwriting. (2014)
- **Get Lit - Words Ignite:** Write and Perform spoken word poetry. Featured on Pacifica Radio, *Reading Rainbow* and more. Perform across Los Angeles (USC, The Actor's Gang, The Improv, Dodger Stadium), promoting literacy and social justice. Official poetry ambassador for the United Nations' Peace Day.

**Production and Administration:** Four years of Cinematic Arts class producing several projects per semester.

- **Mustang Morning News Webmaster and News Director:** Write and Direct Bi-Weekly Newscast for nationally award-winning broadcast department with fully equipped TV studio. Run website. Oversee producers. Attend the National High School Journalism Convention annually. (2013-present)
- **Director and Producer of In-House Arts:** Run Salon of 20+ performers that travels to a different home every month. Coordinate, emcee the show, and perform. (2014-present)
- **Encore Entertainers:** Selected to be on musical theater student staff. Choreograph dances. Coach actors.

## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- "A Student Named Art" selected to screen at San Francisco Student Voices Campaign. (Role: Creator)
- "Spoons" selected to screen at the 2015 Big Pride L.A. Film Festival and the 2016 Springfield Massachusetts LGBT Film Festival. (Role: Writer/Director)
- "Body" won *Best Interactive* at the 2015 South Bay Student Video Festival. (Role: Creator)
- "The Secret Life of Noah Mason," 2014 South Bay Student Video Festival. (Role: Writer/Editor)
- Pacemaker Award for best bi-weekly newscast in the country in 2013 and 2015. (Role: News Director)
- "Superior" for best broadcast package in 2015. (Role: Co-creator)
- Traveled to Vietnam to shoot a documentary on spirituality. Now in post-production. (Role: Co-creator)
- Cinematic Arts Achievement Award
- Manhattan Beach Rotary Club's Craft Award for Excellence in Video Production