

# **Craig D. Forrest**

**Owner-Producer at Windssock Films**

Newport Beach, CA, US

TV & Film Director/Speaker/Author at  
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## **Biography**

? Award winning television & documentary director/speaker/author. ? Focused on cutting edge of new media - digital, web, mobile, HD. ? Speaker @ dozens of 2-3 day seminars across Europe / Latin America / Asia / Africa. Biola Media Conference (2x). COICOM (4x), EXPOLIT (2x). ? Adjunct professor @ Concordia University, Regent University, Pepperdine University & Continental Seminary. ? Guest lecturer re: tv/film trends + production @ Biola, Fuller Seminary, Concordia, Lee, Vanguard & Bethany Universities.

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## **Availability**

Keynote, Moderator, Panelist, Workshop, Author Appearance, Corporate Training

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## **Industry Expertise**

Writing and Editing, Social Media, Photography, Audio Visual, Motion Pictures and Film, Media - Broadcast, Fine Art, Media Production, Advertising/Marketing

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Visual Storytelling, Digital Media, Short Films, Tv Production, Documentaries, Production Management, Media & Culture

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## **Affiliations**

Global News Alliance, Travelers' Century Club, Academy of Television Arts & Sciences, Comunicadores USA, Association of International Press Photographers

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## **Sample Talks**

### **Understanding the 7 Spheres of Influence**

In our world today, there are 7 Spheres of Influence that affect society & culture, that drive the international & national narratives, news, education and current events. With this keynote presentation, Dr. Craig D. Forrest reveals how your group must recognize these 7 Spheres, then harness at least 1 or 2 of them to truly maximum your organization's influence.

## **7 Camera Tactics**

How can you achieve your best shots? What are the secrets of light & sound? What are the simple tools to improve your clips, videos & short film quality immediately? This practical presentation offers 7 key insights to documentary, video, film or tv production that can transform novice to pro.

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## **Event Appearances**

### **Workshop Presenter**

La Borne Media Seminars

### **Living in a Digital World**

Expolit '12 ? La Escuela de Medios Masivos

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## **Education**

### **Kingdom Seminary**

Doctor of Fine Arts Redemptive Filmmaking

### **Chapman University**

M.A. Film Studies

### **Bethany University**

B.Sc. Biblical & Theological Studies

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## **Accomplishments**

### **Film/Tv/Documentary Author**

? Commando Tactics for Digital Filmmakers (Windsock Press) ? Tácticas de Comando para Filmación Digital (Windsock Press) ? The Influence of Alexander Mackendrick on the Kailyard Film Sub-genre: How Whisky Galore! & The Maggie Forever Changed Scottish Cinematic Representations (VDM Publications)

### **International Cross-Cultural Perspective**

? Denver, Dakar or Diyarbakir - considerable project management experience with foreign programming & shoots coordinated on-site in 96 countries, with total travel to 144 nations, 6 continents + 14x around-the-world! ? Recent production logistics coordination for Primetime EMMY winning tv series, The Amazing Race (CBS).

### **Awards**

? Short films, Documentaries, Videos, Commercials & TV Shows have won or been nominated for 29 film festival or video awards including a Cine Golden Eagle. ? Production team member for the Emmy-winning series The Amazing Race (Season 14).

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## Testimonials

### Paul Bresenden

"Craig was one of the key organizers of the Ignite Media Conference and lent his incredible breadth of expertise in producing and directing. Craig brings a new level of professionalism and excellence to the organizations he is a part of. In high-pressure, high-stakes situations it was reassuring to know that we could depend on Craig and he would deliver quality results every time."

### Stan Jeter

"I've invited Craig as TV production instructor for recent international conferences in Colombia, Argentina and the Dominican Republic. He approached his subjects with great warmth and enthusiasm, and brought to the sessions an amazing breadth of practical knowledge, the result of his long and varied career of international production. Craig has "been there, done that" more than just about anybody I've ever worked with. And I've seen him at work - we took a production trip together to the Far East some years ago, and Craig not only made sure we met our professional objectives, but his jovial attitude also kept our team's spirits up all along the way. From my experience I can strongly recommend Craig as an instructor/trainer."

### Reinhold Harms

"I met Craig at the Media Seminar in Sarajevo and was amazed at his experiences and knowledge. He gave me an understanding of what is really important to make a good film. Two days went really by fast. (It was) a big step for the media world in Bosnia and Hercegovina, with inspiring teachings, a lot of inside (tips) and a connection to the media world. Never expecting that I could have the privilege to get taught by a professional like Craig. I highly hope we can do it again."

### Dr. Craig Detweiler

"Thanks so much for speaking at the Biola Media Conference. It looked like you had a great crowd with lots of energy and interest. The comments on your session were stellar, from "very practical advice" and "humble, gracious and caring" to "he opened my eyes to a whole different world of film." Well done!"

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