

Erika Lust

Filmmaker at Erika Lust Films

Barcelona, , ES

Erika Lust is a filmmaker, mother, writer, blogger, owner and founder of Erika Lust Films

Erika Lust is an acclaimed adult filmmaker creating sex-positive, indie adult cinema with sexually intelligent narratives, relatable characters and realistic hot sex. Her crowd-sourced project XConfessions turns the public's anonymous fantasies into explicit and artistic short films, and her US-based studio LustCinema produces original series and feature length films for lovers of cinema and sex. In 2004 Erika made her first film *The Good Girl*, an alternative take on the "pizza delivery guy" cliché. Within two weeks it had received over two million downloads. It was then that she realised that there were other people looking for something different from their pornography too. Over the past fifteen years, the Erika Lust brand has gone from strength to strength. Erika has directed six adult feature films, over 150 short films, produced around 50 more, and has travelled the world spreading the Lust message. She has also written five books including *Let's Make A Porno* and her acclaimed erotic novel *La Canción de Nora* (*Nora's Song*). Erika's philosophy for a new adult cinema is based on four main ideas: women's pleasure matters; adult cinema can have cinematic values; we need more inclusivity of diverse body types, ages and ethnicities; and the production process must be ethical. She defends the importance of the female gaze and capturing this by having women behind the camera in all key positions. In 2015, Erika gave her essential TEDx talk *It's Time for Porn to Change*. Her story was also featured in the first episode of the Netflix documentary series *Hot Girls Wanted: Turned On* (*Women on Top*), directed by Rashida Jones. In 2019 Erika was named as one of the BBC 100 Women's most influential women of the year and in the last year she has been featured in several major documentary series in the UK and Germany, with more expected to air in 2020.

Audio Visual, Entertainment

Film & Video Directing, Feminism, Cinema, Erotic Filmmaking, Movie Producing, Filmmaking, Film & Television Producer, sex education

Lund University

B.A. Political Science

BBC 100 Women of 2019

2019 Selected by BBC as part of their 100 inspiring and influential women from around the world for 2019

Most Dazzling Docu-Porn - Tie Me Up! A Shibari Documentary

2018 Toronto International Film Festival

Best Kinky Short - Dirty Feet

2018 Toronto International Film Festival

Sexiest Sci-Fi - Touch Crimes
2018 Toronto International Film Festival

Most Tantalizing Trans Short - We Are The Fucking World
2018 Toronto International Film Festival

Premio Maguey - Premio Maguey Director
2018 Festival Internacional de Cine en Guadalajara Film Festival, Mexico

Best Narrative Short Films ? An Appointment with my Master - XConfessions Vol. 5
2016 Cinekink, New York (The Kinky Film Festival)

Best Website & Best Short Film Series - XConfessions
2015 Feminist Porn Awards Toronto

Good For Her ? Hottest Straight Vignette ? XConfessions vol. 2
2014 Feminist Porn Awards, Toronto

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