

JOHN BARNES

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EDUCATION

The University of Virginia, *Media Studies*, Charlottesville, VA, May 2025, 3.98 GPA, Dean's List, Miller Arts Scholar
HB Woodlawn Secondary Program, Arlington, VA, June 2021, 4.25 GPA, AP Scholar Award (2020 & 2021)
UCLA Summer Institute, Television Screenwriting (2022), Intro to Filmmaking (2019)

WORK EXPERIENCE AND SELECTED EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Apple TV+/Endeavor Content, Baltimore, MD, May 2022-present, *Production Assistant and Background Actor*

PBS Student Reporting Labs, Arlington, VA, *BrainStorm Pilot Production (Freelance)* Sep. 2021-present,
Health Video Fellowship Dec. 2020-April 2021, *Homegrown Fellowship* Jan. 2020-June 2020

- Currently in production as co-host, writer, and creator on *BrainStorm*, a digital series/program focusing a variety of teen mental health issues, such as music and mood, in an explainer video style
- Produced, wrote, edited, and starred in scripted video "How students are fighting Zoom fatigue" for PBS NewsHour Digital, with a shortened version also streaming live on PBS NewsHour (*Health Video Fellowship*)
- Edited and filmed "Alone Together" video focusing on the lives of quarantined high school students for PBS NewsHour and Student Reporting Labs social media accounts (*Homegrown Fellowship*)
- Wrote online piece for PBS NewsHour Extra on improving mental health during the pandemic (*Freelance*)
- Proposed and interviewed subjects for 2020 Election video, edited behind the scenes video for Fellowship journalism showcase (*Homegrown Fellowship*)

Academical Village People, Charlottesville, VA, August 2021-present, *A Capella Musical Group Member*

Logistical Nightmare, Charlottesville, VA, August 2021-present, *Composer/Guitarist/Lead Singer*, Rock Band

WXTJ 100.1 FM, Charlottesville, VA, August 2021-present, *Student DJ*, Radio Show "BRUNCH WITH BARNES"

Bakeshop, Arlington, VA and Falls Church, VA, July 2019-August 2021, *Barista/Cashier*

- Prepared coffee and espresso drinks, packaged orders for customers, resolved customer service issues

bartaco, Arlington, VA, June 2021-August 2021, *Dragonfly/Waiter*

- Ran food and drinks out to guests, sanitized tables and surfaces, managed takeout orders

National Honor Society, HB Woodlawn, Arlington, VA, September 2019-June 2021, *Junior Chair/Senior Chair*

- Planned community service projects for club members to attend, engaged in 20+ community service hours per year, volunteered as poll worker during 2020 U.S. Presidential Election

Virginia Tech Thinkabit Lab, Online and Falls Church, VA, September 2020, *Paid Film Instructor*

- Organized/presented lessons to class, focusing on topics such as shot composition and editing, while also giving guidance on development of student films in order for inexperienced students to learn film basics

AMC Courthouse Plaza 8, Arlington, VA, June 2017-August 2018, *Box Office/Greeter/Concessions*

- Greeted customers, directed them to theater, sold box office tickets, prepared concessions, resolved customer disputes, received "Guest Connections Associate of the Month" award in January 2018

SELECTED HONORS, AWARDS, AND CREATIVE PROJECTS

- Division 1 Public Media Award, *How students are fighting Zoom fatigue*, 53rd NETA Public Media Awards, Jan. 2022
- Best Health Video, *How students are fighting Zoom fatigue*, PBS Student Reporting Labs, Sep. 2021
- Gold Key (Regional) for Film Portfolio entitled "It Just Gets Worse From Here"; portfolio includes six different films, Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, Jan. 2021
- National YoungArts Merit Winner, *A Passover Story* and *The Case of the Unacademic Integrity*, Dec. 2020
- 20 under 20 Up-and-Coming Storyteller, PBS Student Reporting Labs, Dec. 2020
- National Silver Medalist, *The Case of the Unacademic Integrity*, Scholastic Art&Writing Awards, June 2020
- Best Horror/Sci-Fi Film, *CHISELED*, Arlington Student Film Festival, June 2020
- Youth Filmmaker Award at University of Mississippi Film Festival, Best Documentary at Arlington Student Film Festival, Gold Medal at TIVA DC Awards, Regional Gold Key at Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, and Best Documentary nomination at All American High School Film Festival for *A Passover Story* (2019-2020)
- Audience Choice Award, *REJECT*, Arlington Student Film Festival, June 2019
- Silver Medal, *Goodbye Vacation Lane*, TIVA DC Awards, November 2018

ACTING EXPERIENCE/CREATIVE PROJECTS

SELECTED THEATRE (H-B Woodlawn)

- Final Performance (Original Play, Writer/Director/Producer)
- Grease (Eugene)
- Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat (Dan)
- Fiddler on the Roof (Bottle Dancer/Ensemble)
- Sweeney Todd (Ensemble)
- From the Mouths of Babes (Eli)
- The Sobriety Test (Philip) (Original Student-Directed Play)

SELECTED FILM/TV/COMMERCIAL

- *The Lady in the Lake* (Background Actor/Production Assistant)
- *Marvel's Spider-Man: No Way Home* (Background Actor, Rose Locke Casting)
- *Blue Campaign: Human Trafficking on College Campuses* (Department of Homeland Security)
- *Saved* (Worker), PSA, Actor, Production Assistant
- *COME TO THE BEACH*, (John), Actor/Writer/Editor/Director
- *Goodbye Tom: The End of an Era*, (John), Mockumentary, Actor/Writer/Editor/Director
- *A Passover Story*, Documentary, Director/Editor
- *How students are fighting Zoom fatigue*, Writer/Director/Producer, Aired on PBS NewsHour
- *go back*, Experimental, Writer/Director/Editor/Composer
- *Alone Together*, Documentary, Editor/Producer, Published on PBS NewsHour SRL
- *The Case of the Unacademic Integrity*, Noir Comedy, Writer/Director

SKILLS

Proficient in: Final Cut Pro X, Adobe Premiere Pro, GarageBand, Audacity, Outlook, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, Google Drive Suite, Songwriting, Script Coverage (within Film Clubs), Guitar