

XUENI YANG

Director | Writer | Movement Director

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PROFILE

Xueni Yang is a Prague-based director, writer, and movement director/choreographer with an international background spanning China, the U.S., and Europe. A nominee for the Czech Lion (The Czech Academy Awards) and a BlueCat Screenplay semi-finalist, her work explores embodied narratives and the psychological tension between inner perception and external reality. From her MUBI-listed film *Hush* to featured roles in major studio sci-fi and horror franchises, she bridges global industrial systems with the agility of independent filmmaking. In 2026, she serves as a jury member for the Women's Voices Now Film Festival.

DIRECTORIAL WORKS & DISTRIBUTION (2023 – 2026 Focus)

Fir (2024) | *Short Film, 15 min* | **Role: Director, Writer, Editor**

- **Distribution:** Currently streaming on Giloo for global audiences.
- **Accolades:**
 - **Nominated for Best Student Film – Czech Lion Awards** (Czech Film and Television Academy - ČFTA, 2023)
 - Official Selection – B3 Biennial of the Moving Image (2024)
 - Official Selection – Reel Sisters of the Diaspora Film Festival (2024)

Hush (2021) | *Short Film, 12 min* | **Role: Director, Writer, Choreographer**

- **Distribution:** Listed on MUBI / Currently streaming on Giloo for global audiences.
- **Accolades:**
 - Official Selection – FEST - New Directors New Films Festival (2022)
 - Semi-Finalist – Flickers' Rhode Island International Film Festival (2022)

Fishbowl (2020) | *Short Film, 9 min* | **Role: Director & Writer**

- **Distribution:** Currently streaming on Giloo.
- **Accolades:** Winner of Best Student Film – Around International Film Festival (ARFF) Amsterdam (2021)

SELECTED INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE & PERFORMANCE

Blade Runner 2099: Bulero (Amazon Prime Mini-Series, 2027)

- **Role:** Seller (Featured Actor, onscreen opposite Michelle Yeoh & Hunter Schafer)
- **Director:** Ariel Kleiman | **Production:** Alcon Entertainment / Ridley Scott Associates

Resident Evil (Constantin Film Feature, 2026)

- **Role:** Creature Performer
- **Director:** Zach Cregger | **Production:** Constantin Film

Commercial Campaigns (2023 – 2024)

- **Samsung Laptop Campaign** (2024) – Featured Talent (FE)
- **Fujifilm Instax Campaign** (2023) – Featured Lead (OCP)

AWARDS, JURY & DEVELOPMENT

- **Jury Member & Presenter** | Women's Voices Now Film Festival (2026)
- **Semi-Finalist** | BlueCat Screenplay Competition (2025) – Project: "The Last Day of July" (Short Script in Development)

EDUCATION

- **M.F.A. in Film Directing** | FAMU (Film and TV School of the Academy of Performing Arts in Prague), 2018 - 2023
- **B.A. in Filmmaking & Performing Arts** | Sarah Lawrence College, USA, 2014 - 2018