

# **Corporate Bio – yap films inc.**

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## **The Company**

Founded by Elliott Halpern and the late Pauline Duffy in 2002, yap films is a highly respected independent production company specializing in entertaining, original and high-profile documentary specials and factual series on a wide range of subjects for television networks and streaming platforms in North America and internationally.

## **Elliott Halpern – Executive Producer/President yap films**

Elliott Halpern is an Emmy Award-winning producer/director of feature-length documentaries and series for television. Most recently, he was an executive producer on the 2019 Canadian Screen Award (CSA) winning film for Best History Documentary or Series - Ice Bridge for CBC, Smithsonian Channel, France 5, UKTV and SBS; the 2018 Banff World Media Rockie Award winner Mosquito for Discovery Channel US (2017); the CSA and Banff nominated Black Watch Snipers for HISTORY Canada (2016); the 2017 CSA nominated Loretta Lynn: Still a Mountain Girl for PBS/American Masters, BBC Four/Arena and Sony Music (2016); and the 2017 CSA nominated Building Star Trek, the highest rated documentary in the history of Smithsonian Channel (2016), all of which were produced by his company Toronto-based yap films. Among his many prestigious Canadian, American and international awards are two Emmy Awards for Investigative Journalism; the Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Award; three Banff World Media Festival Rockie Awards; the Donald Brittain Award; and the Silver Nymph Award - Monte Carlo.

## **Elizabeth Trojian – Chief Creative Officer**

Elizabeth Trojian is the Chief Creative Officer at yap films, as well as an award-winning producer, writer and director. She has worked on and created many television documentaries and series for North American and international broadcasters including Made by Destruction and Battle Factory. Currently, she is producing and executive-producing a four-part series about the Unabomber for Netflix and Reelz, and a D-Day 75th anniversary global documentary for HISTORY. Most recently, Elizabeth was the executive producer and producer on The Genetic Revolution, a documentary about gene editing for CBC's The Nature of Things, and Ice Bridge for CBC's The Nature of Things, Smithsonian Channel, France 5, UKTV and SBS, which won Best History Documentary Program or Series at the 2019 Canadian Screen Awards. Elizabeth was also the executive producer and producer on Mosquito for Discovery Channel, a film narrated by Jeremy Renner, which won Best Environmental & Wildlife Program at the 2018 Banff World Media Festival.