

# Paul Wildman

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## Summary

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Paul Wildman ( Built by Wildman ) is an award winning wildlife filmmaker who has spent almost two decades as a cinematographer, field producer, editor and animator, bringing the world of the wild to your doorstep. Working with large and small ocean and land predators around the world. He's also worked on set with musicians and staged work for wildlife programs.

Paul has shot films and television shows for some of the biggest networks and production houses around the world, including National Geographic, Animal Planet, Discovery Channel, MTV, Smithsonian as well as Yann Arthus Bertrand, Rob Stewart, Micheal Muller and Sea Shepherd.

## Specialties:

- Underwater Director of Photography
- Director of Photography
- Editing & Visual Effects
- Undercover Filming
- Large and small predator filming
  - Underwater
  - Land based
- Wildlife Cinematographer
- TV Commercials
- Music videos
- Macro Filming
- Long Lens

## Awards:

Blue Ocean Film Festival – Best Cinematography – “Planet Ocean” – Yann Arthus Bertrand

Garden State Film Festival – Feature Documentary – “Revolution” – Rob Stewart

DelfinFest Film Festival – Protect of Marine Animals – “Why We Defend The Oceans” – Sea Shepherd

Necujn Film Festival – Man is Sea – “Black Swan”

## Employment History

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### Owner and Founder

Built By Wildman • Oakville, Ontario

12/2011 - Present

Director of Photography and Underwater cameraman. Worked on contract for National Geographic, Discovery Channel, Shark Week, Yann Artus Bertrand, Animal Planet, France 2, Sea Shephard, Hope Productions, Rob Stewart - Sharkwater, Thalassa, Société Européenne de Production, ABC NightLine and MTV.

### Director of Photography

GL Films • Onatrio	06/2021 - 07/2021
Director of photography for the Smithsonian documentary "The Great Lakes" Comprising of Topside and Underwater cinematography as well as Drone operator.	
<b>Camera Operator</b>	
Tandem Stills & Motion • California	05/2019 - 06/2019
Top side and Underwater Camera operator on the Discovery Channel Production "The Last Unknown"	
<b>Camera Operator</b>	
Anomaly Entertainment	03/2019 - 03/2019
Top Side and Underwater Camera Operator for the Shark Week show "Sharks of the Badlands"	
<b>Underwater Director of Photography</b>	
Rami Accoumeh Productions • Onatrio	07/2018 - 07/2018
Underwater Director of Photography for the Musician Est-Her's new music video.	
<b>Director of Photography/Camera Operator</b>	
Shark Entertainment Inc	04/2018 - 04/2018
Director of Photography / Camera Operator Topside and Underwater for the Shark Week show "Air Jaws: Orca vs Great White"	
<b>Director of Photography   Owner</b>	
LKWID Productions	08/2007 - 12/2011
Started LKWID Productions with partner, a production facility for filming wildlife shows in and around Malaysia. Managed a team of 5 employees in multiple locations.	
<b>Producer and Camera Operator</b>	
Scubapro International • San Diego, California	12/2013 - 10/2021
Handling of the Scubapro Brand for promotional and product videos and filming commercials.	
<b>Underwater Camera Operator</b>	
Scubazoo • Kota Kinabalu, Sabah	02/2006 - 06/2007
Underwater camera operator for wild life shows filmed in Malaysia and Maldives.	
<b>Senior Graphic Designer</b>	
Amorphous New Media • Johannesburg, Gauteng	03/1999 - 12/2005
Senior graphoic designer and new media creator. Went to develop a digital video studio, comprised of film making for corpoerate and commercial production.	
<b>Multimedia Graphic Designer</b>	
SHiFT Interactive • Johannesburg, Gauteng	02/1997 - 02/1999
Entery Level Graphic Designer and worked up to FX and Editor and VT Operator	

### Professional Skills

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- Camera Operator
- Editor
- Designer
- Photographer
- Underwater Camera Operator
- FX
- Scuba Diver

## Education

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### High School

Grenville High • Rustenburg, North West

High school, graduated with Maths, Science, Business Eco, Art, English and Afrikaans

Graduated  
12/1994

### Diploma

AAA School of Advertising and Design • Johannesburg, Gauteng

Three year diploma

Graduated  
12/1997

1st year - Fine Arts

2nd year - Advertising and graphic design

3rd - Specialisd graphics

### Diploma

Fundamentals of Marketing Diploma (IMM) • Johannesburg, Gauteng

Graduated  
02/2003

### Diploma

Business Communication Skills Diploma

Graduated  
04/2003

## Languages

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• Afrikaans: Conversational

• English: Native