



**LIAISON OF
INDEPENDENT FILMMAKERS
OF TORONTO**

**SUMMER 2025: May - August
WORKSHOPS and COURSES**
Comprehensive Production Training
for Film, Digital and Interactive Art

Cover Image: Mordançage on 16mm Film by Ella Morton

SUMMER 2025 WORKSHOPS

Registration starts Tuesday May 20, 10 AM ET

01 COMMUNITY OUTREACH

LIFT Public Guided Tour	June 3 6 PM-6:45 PM	Free
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Panel: A Filmmaker's Toolkit: Analogue to AI	June 3 7 PM-8:30 PM	Free
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02 INTRODUCTION TO FILMMAKING

Introduction to Independent Filmmaking	June 9 and 11 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
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03 FILMMAKING INTENSIVE

Super 8 Filmmaking Intensive	July 20 10 AM-6 PM	\$175 Members \$200 Non-members
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Smartphone Filmmaking	August 5, 7, 12 and 14 6 PM-9 PM	\$200 Members \$225 Non-members
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Introduction to Regular/ Double 8mm Filmmaking	August 23 10 AM-6 PM	\$175 Members \$200 Non-members
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04 WRITING

Introduction to Screenwriting	See website for updates	\$225 Members \$250 Non-members
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Script Development Studio	See website for updates	\$225 Members \$250 Non-members
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05**PRODUCING**

Producing Dramatic Films	June 16 and 18 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
Grant Writing for Arts Councils	June 25 and July 2 6 PM-9 PM	\$110 Members \$135 Non-members
The Business of Film Distribution	August 19 and 21 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members

06**DIRECTING**

Directing Dramatic Film	June 23 and 25 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
Directing Documentary Film	July 8 and 10 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
Storyboarding	July 28 and July 30 6 PM-9 PM	\$110 Members \$135 Non-members
Directing Actors for Narrative	July 29 and 31 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members

07**PRODUCTION**

Lighting Fundamentals	June 21 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Cinematography Fundamentals	July 5 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Script Supervision	July 21 and 23 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
Introduction to Production Management	July 15 and 17 6 PM-9 PM	\$110 Members \$135 Non-members

07**PRODUCTION CONTINUED**

DIT Intensive (Digital Imaging)	August 9 and 10 10 AM-6 PM	\$250 Members \$275 Non-members
Grip and Electric Fundamentals	August 10 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Starting a Production Company	August 12 and 14 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members

08**CAMERAS**

Camera Theory	June 14 10 AM-6 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
Bolex 16mm Cameras	July 12 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Camera Assisting	July 19 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Arri SRII 16mm and Aaton XTR Prod Super 16mm Cameras	July 22 and 24 6 PM-10 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members

09**SOUND**

Voice Over Techniques	July 14 and 16 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
Introduction to Location Sound Recording	July 26 10 AM-6 PM	\$145 Members \$170 Non-members
Introduction to Post Production Sound	August 6 6 PM-10 PM	\$75 Members \$100 Non-members
Sound Design with Protools	August 18 and 20 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members

10**POST-PRODUCTION AND DIGITAL TOOLS**

Editing with Adobe Premiere Pro	July 27 10 AM-6 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-Members
Colour Theory	August 13 6 PM-9 PM	\$75 Members \$100 Non-members
Digital Colour Grading with DaVinci Resolve	August 25 and 27 6 PM-10 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members

11**CREATIVE PRACTICES**

Phytograms	June 8 11 AM-5 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Mordançage on 16mm Film: Class A*	June 15 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Eco-Processing 16mm Film	July 13 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Optical Printing with the Oxberry 1700	June 22 and July 6 10 AM-4 PM	\$250 Members \$275 Non-members
Optical Printing with the JK	August 9 10 AM-4 PM	\$125 Members \$150 Non-members
Hand Processing Black and White Film	August 16 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Darkroom Play with 16mm Colour Film	August 17 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members
Mordançage on 16mm Film: Class B*	August 24 10 AM-6 PM	\$150 Members \$175 Non-members

*** Class A and B are the same classes scheduled on different dates.**

Workshops are subject to change. Please refer to our website for the updated dates, descriptions and instructors. www.lift.ca/workshops

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

- General Membership:** \$90.00 annually
- Receive the weekly members' ebulletin via email.
 - Ability to post unlimited listings in weekly members' ebulletin for cast and crew calls, screenings, broadcasts, exhibitions and projects that members have worked on.
 - Discounted rates on LIFT workshops and courses.
 - Discounts on expendable motion picture items and merchandise in LIFT Store.
 - Discounts on admission to LIFT events.
 - Ability to attend the LIFT Screenwriting Circle.
 - Discounts on various workshops and events from partner organizations.
 - Eligible to apply for LIFT Production and Post-Production Support Grant.
- General Student Membership:** \$75.00 annually
- All of the benefits of the General Level membership.
 - General Student Memberships are available for students enrolled in any Canadian post-secondary learning institution. Students enrolled in non-film/media programs are also eligible for this membership.
- Production Membership:** \$175.00 annually
- All of the benefits of the General Level Membership.
 - Ability to rent production equipment and post-production facilities.
 - Must submit contact information for three (3) character references. The reference check takes at least ten (10) business days to process.
- Production Student Membership:** \$75.00 annually
- All of the benefits of the Production Level membership
 - Production Student Memberships are available for students enrolled in any Canadian post-secondary learning institution. Students enrolled in non-film/media programs are also eligible for this membership.
- Organizational Membership:**
- Level 1:** \$175.00 annually (Operating budget under \$1,000,000)
- Organizational memberships available for artist-run centres, festivals, art galleries, arts education and training institutions, and other non-profit or charitable organizations. Unincorporated collectives operating on a not-for-profit basis that receive funding (from one of the three levels of Arts Councils) for project grants are also eligible to apply.
 - Receive the weekly members' ebulletin via email to all current staff members.
 - Ability to post unlimited listings in weekly members' ebulletin of cast and crew calls of organizations' job listings, events, calls for submissions, etc.
 - Discounted rates for current staff members on LIFT workshops and courses.
 - Discounts on expendable motion picture items and merchandise in LIFT Store.
 - Ability to rent production equipment and post-production facilities for organization events and projects (Staff must join as individual members for personal projects).
- Level 2:** \$275.00 annually (Operating budget over \$1,000,000)

Complete membership details can be found online at www.lift.ca/membership

Questions should be emailed to membership@lift.ca

Visit www.lift.ca/workshops for detailed workshop descriptions and updates

EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES RENTAL

LIFT provides affordable access to production, post-production and exhibition equipment for non-commercial film, digital and new media projects. LIFT's equipment rental program strives to make otherwise expensive production resources accessible to the broadest pool of media makers. Equipment rentals are available to all production and organizational members in good standing. LIFT does NOT rent equipment and/or facilities to non-members. Please see the left page for information on membership fees.

Complete equipment and facilities details, rental policy and rates can be found online at www.lift.ca/equipment

Questions should be emailed to tech@lift.ca

Available Facilities

Includes:

- Colour Correction and Finishing Suite (DaVinci Resolve)
- Dragonframe Animation Suite
- 16mm and 35mm Digital to Film Transfer Suite
- Steenbeck 16mm and 35mm Flatbed Editing Suite
- Pro Tools Audio Recording Suite
- Photography and Motion Picture Darkroom
- Telecine Transfer Suite
- JK Optical Printer Suite
- 1700 Oxberry Printer Suite
- Digital Classroom (7 workstations)

Available Equipment

Includes:

- RED Komodo Camera Package
- Canon C500 MkII Camera Package
- High-Definition Digital Cameras
- Aaton XTR Prod Camera Package
- ARRI SR11 Camera Package
- Regular 8mm, Super 8mm, 16mm, Super 16mm and 35mm Motion Picture Cameras
- Various Lens Packages
- Lighting and Grip Equipment
- Location Sound Equipment
- Digital Video Projectors
- Super 8mm, 16mm and 35mm Projectors
- Additional Presentation Equipment

THE LIFT STORE

The LIFT Store carries a wide variety of film stocks (specializing in Regular 8mm, Super 8mm and 16mm), processing chemistry and editing supplies for all formats at economical rates.

The LIFT Store is available to the general public; members receive a members' discount. Special orders available. www.lift.ca/store

DONATE

Support LIFT's year round activities and speciality programs today. One-time or monthly donations will ensure we continue to provide affordable access to equipment, education and space for those who want to make films, out of a passion for, and commitment to the practice of filmmaking. www.lift.ca/donate

Summer 2025 registration starts Tuesday May 20, 10 AM ET

Registration

Online **registration starts at 10 AM ET on Tuesday May 20, 2025.**

For credit card or PayPal registrations, please use our online system remotely at: www.lift.ca/workshop-registration. We accept Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Visa Debit. Cash or interac transactions require in person registration during office hours. Cheques and money orders are not accepted. LIFT Workshops have limited enrollment. **Registration is confirmed only when payment has been received in full.**

Workshop Guidelines

A workshop will run once we have 50% enrolment in the class; please register early to avoid disappointment. LIFT workshops are best suited to individuals 18 years old and over. Only the person whose name appears on the enrolment is registered for the workshop. **Digital video and audio recording of LIFT workshops is strictly prohibited.** LIFT strives to make our space and workshops as accessible as possible. Please contact us about special needs at least four (4) weeks before the start of the workshop you are interested in and we will work towards accommodating them. The majority of workshops are in person at 1137 Dupont Street and some will take place online via Zoom. **Please use the Gladstone Avenue entrance for all in person workshops. During registration note whether a workshop is in person or online.** If a workshop is in person, we ask that participants review the mask policy for that workshop before attending. Workshops are subject to schedule, instructor or content amendments, or cancellation at the discretion of LIFT. Please refer to our website for updated information. All registered participants will be notified of any cancellation, instructor or schedule changes. LIFT will refund full registration fees to those participants unable to make rescheduled dates or cancellations.

Participant Cancellation Policy

Participants must cancel up to five (5) full business days, excluding weekends and holidays, prior to the start date of the workshop to receive a 80% refund per cancelled workshop. No compensation is available for cancellations less than five (5) full business days or for non-attendance. There are absolutely no make-ups or transfers allowed for any missed session. All cancellations must be received and confirmed by email to workshops@lift.ca. All refunds will be issued by cheque or PayPal regardless of the original method of payment.

Address: 1137 Dupont Street, Toronto, Ontario, M6H 2A3 | Canada

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The Liaison of Independent Filmmakers of Toronto (LIFT) is an artist-run charitable organization dedicated to facilitating excellence in the moving image through media arts education and production resources. LIFT is supported by its membership, the Canada Council for the Arts, the Ontario Arts Council, the Government of Ontario, the Ontario Arts Foundation and the City of Toronto through the Toronto Arts Council.



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