

# MICHAL BIRNBAUM

Writer | Actor

## WRITING

Division Ave | award winning short film  
Yoma | full length play with music  
Filth | feature film (in development)  
Step Into My Office but Don't Come Up | full length play (in development)  
The Senior Citizens Twist Strife of 1998 | one act play  
A Night to Remember and Archive | short play  
Bitter Days Ahead | short play

## ACTING (PARTIAL LIST)

Unorthodox (Netflix)  
Unaccustomed Earth (Netflix)  
Little America (Apple TV+)  
As They Made Us (Mayim Bialik Dir.)  
Chanshi (Sundance)  
Nerve (Ariel Schulman & Henry Joost Dir.)  
Division Ave (Washington DC Int'l Film Festival)  
Radzyn (Miami Jewish Film Festival)  
Deadliest Decade (Discovery+)

## EDUCATION

Hunter College | BA in Theatre and Arabic  
The Lee Strasberg Theatre and Film Institute

## LANGUAGES

English (*fluent*)  
Hebrew (*fluent*)  
Yiddish (*conversational*)  
Hungarian (*conversational*)  
Arabic (*conversational*)  
Aramaic (*talmudic*)



**Michal Birnbaum** is a Brooklyn-based filmmaker and theater artist. Her play, *Yoma*, was named a semi-finalist in Pipeline Theatre's PlayLab program. Her award-winning short film, *Division Ave*, has screened at over 30 film festivals worldwide, including the Washington DC International Film Festival and NYC venues such as AMC 34th Street and Alamo Drafthouse Cinema. Her work has been featured in the Daily News, NY1's morning show, RCN Channel, and more. She has received the Puffin Foundation Finishing Grant and Panavision's New Filmmakers Grant for her projects.

## FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS & MILESTONES

2024 Pipeline's PlayLab semi-finalist  
2024 Female Film Club  
2023 Alliance for Jewish Theatre  
2021-2022 Thomas W. Smith Academic Fellowship  
2020 Barbara Price Academic Fellowship  
2020 Berlinale Talents  
2019 Poppy Jasper Int'l. Film Festival award  
2019 Workers Unite Film Festival award  
2018 Asylum Arts  
2018 NYFA Immigrant Artists  
2018 Three Days in Cannes  
2018 Puffin Foundation grant  
2017 Panavision new filmmakers grant  
2016 Fully funded Kickstarter campaign

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