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**Valerie Finkel**  
**DIRECTOR / DGA (Female)**  
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**DIRECTOR – TELEVISION**

**NETFLIX SERIES DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

Netflix/2022

Instructor: Paris Barclay

**ON MY BLOCK:** *Chapter Thirty-Six*

Netflix/2021 – 2022

**ON MY BLOCK:** *Chapter Thirty-Five*

Netflix/2021 – 2022

**ON MY BLOCK:** *Chapter Twenty-Three*

Netflix/2019 – 2020

**DIRECTOR – SHORT FILMS**

**GIVE ME AN A - The Anthology: “CRUCIBLE ISLAND”**

Independent/2022

(A reaction to the overturning of Roe v. Wade)

**WAKING LIFE**

Cinefocus Prods/2019

(SILVER AWARD: SHORT FILM- BEST DRAMA - Los Angeles Motion Picture Festival)

**FIRST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – TELEVISION**

**THIS IS US** (Season 6)

NBC / 20th TV / 2021 - 2022

**THE GAME** (Season 1)

Paramount + / CBS Studios / 2021 – 2022

**ON THE VERGE** (Season 1)

Netflix/Studio Canal/2021 – 2022

**DEAD TO ME** (Season 1)

Netflix/CBS Studios/2019 – 2020

**ON MY BLOCK** (Season 1)

Netflix/2018 – 2019

**SWITCHED AT BIRTH** (6 seasons)

Freeform/2011 - 2017

**BIO**

Born in New York, and raised in the Washington DC area, Valerie headed north to Boston University for her bachelor's degree in film, and then west to Los Angeles, where she earned an associate degree in theater at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. Her path to becoming a filmmaker began with her learning as many aspects of the craft as she could; before stepping up to Directing, she had honed her skills in everything from Production Managing to Costume Designing to Acting. “The consummate Director,” says Valerie, “is one who can walk in the shoes of all the members of her team.” She is a graduate of the Netflix Series Director Development Program and a proud member of the Directors Guild of America.

**DIRECTING LINKS/SAMPLES:**

**GIVE ME AN A: CRUCIBLE ISLAND (Short)**

<https://vimeo.com/795071045> (Password: finkel)

**ON MY BLOCK: Chapter Thirty-Six**

<https://vimeo.com/653278843> (Password: finkel)

**ON MY BLOCK: Chapter Thirty-Five**

<https://vimeo.com/653480714> (Password: finkel)

**ON MY BLOCK: Chapter Twenty-Three**

<https://vimeo.com/623899252> (Password: finkel)

**WAKING LIFE (Short)**

<https://vimeo.com/623922550> (Password: finkel)

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