

MARY LOU BELLI

Teaching, Seminars, Awards, Mentorships, and Panels

Awards

Primetime Emmy nomination x 3
Children's Programming Best Comedy nomination
Cindy Awards (1)
Telly Awards (3)
Los Angeles Local Emmy (2)
Luskin Orthopedic Luminary Award
Best Mini Short EP/Director CA Independent Film Fest
Best Micro Short Hague International Film Festival
Valley Theatre Award -Best Director
Penn State College of Arts and Architecture Distinguished Alumni Award 2022
Penn State Alumni Fellow Award 2025
Alliance of Women Directors/Los Angeles Times Honoree International Women's Day 2024
DramaLogue Awards (multiple) Best Director, Best Production
Excellence Award Omni Cultural TV Festival
Valley Theatre Awards, Best Director *Boxes*

Mentorship Programs

We for She
ABC
DGA DDI
Alliance of Women Directors Latina
Black Magic Collective
Start with Eight
Lean In

Seminars, Teaching, Panels

USC, School of Cinematic Arts, Directing Faculty 2007- 2017
NYU, Gallatin School, 2010, 2012, 2018
Warner Bros. Directing Program 2013 - 2026
USPA (U.S.Performing Arts) Summer Faculty 2002-2018
Full Circle Productions, San Francisco, 2000-2005
Missouri Thespians Festival 2012, 2013, 2014
LA Film School (with Marilyn Atlas) 2012
College Audition Boot Camp (USPA) 2012, Carmel
Innercity Film Makers 2010, 2011
Atlanta Workshop Players, Comedy Intensive, Multiple workshops 2010-2025
ITA (In The Act) Acting Workshop, Multiple workshops 2009-2025
Reel Pros Acting Workshop/ The Collective, Multiple workshops 2007-2025
SEENWORK Multiple workshops 2009-2025
Next Level Acting Studios, Multiple workshops 2016-2025 NY and LA
Cal State Long Beach, Comedy Intensive 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015
New York Film Academy, 2005, 2016
Sony Pictures Television Diverse Directors Program 2014- 2025
American Pavillon, Cannes, Los Angeles Multiple workshops 2015-2019
Sapporo On-Camera Acting Workshop, Japan 2017, 2018
Communications Media, Inc. NYC, 2014

AWD Atlanta 2022
AWD New York with Alec Jarnegin ASC 2025
HBO Access Writers Program 2019
HBO Access Directors Program 2018, 2019
CBS' Diversity Institute and the Directing Initiative 2018
ABC/Disney Diversity Program, 2018- 2026
AFI Directing Workshop for Women 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
Alliance of Women Directors Prep, Taking a Meeting, Comedy workshops (2016-2023)
Women In Media CAMERADERIE Program
DGA DDI Craft workshop training, 2017, 2019
AWD/Local 600 (Cinematographers) panel 2017
DGA 1st Time Directors Seminar 2018 - 2025
DGA Latino Committee, Women's Steering Committee, Prep Seminar 2016, 2018
UC San Diego, Directing Intensive 2017, 2018
AFI Masters Program, Prep Seminar, 2018-2025
Pace University In Hollywood 2018, 2019, 2020
Emerson LA, 2016
NBC/Universal Launch 2022-2025
Film Fatales Prep Workshop, Elevator Pitch Workshop 2023 2025
SAG/AFTRA/ Telemundo panel
SAG Foundation Finding the Funny 2024
Film Fatales Multiple panels 2024 2025
Cinegear The Relationship between Director and DP 2025
Tyler Perry Studio Dream Collective 2025
Women of Color Unite Elevator Pitch Workshop 2026

Speaking Engagements

Brandeis Women's Alumni Association 1998
NYU, Gallatin School, 2010, 2012, 2018
Women In Film and Television New Orleans, 2018
Women In Film, Atlanta, 2016
Penn State Program in Hollywood, *The Real World of Show*, 2019, 2023, 2025
Veterans in Television and Media, 2019, 2025
Stuntmen's Association of Motion Pictures (SAMP) *Keynote address* 2018
People's Republic of China *Understanding Hollywood*, UCLA 2019
Pulse UCLA Innovator Spotlight Interviewed by Brian Frons 2025
SAG AFTRA Foundation LA, Atlanta. 2023, 2024, 2025
Penn State Alumni Program, *Hollywood Techniques for Marketing*, Stanford House 2020