

## ELLEN M. SOMERS

## Visual Effects Producer/Associate Producer/Supervisor

<u>Projects</u>	<u>Director</u>	Studio/Production
FEATURES		
"SINBAD AND THE SORCERER'S BRIDE" (Pitch) Producer	RANDALL COOK	TBD Ellen Somers
"ETHYREA: CODE OF THE BRETHREN" (In Development) Visual Effects Producer	NA	BADALATO MEDIA GROUP Billy Badalato, Danica Fontaine, Irene Gottlieb
"ROBOCOP" (Post Production) Additional VFX Producer	JOSÉ PADILHA	MGM Marc Abraham, Eric Newman, Bill Carraro
"THE HOST" Visual Effects Producer	ANDREW NICCOL	CHOCKSTONE PICTURES OPEN ROAD FILMS Ray Angelic, Nick Wechsler, Paula Schwartz, Steve Schwartz
"IN TIME" Visual Effects Producer/Supervisor	ANDREW NICCOL	NEW REGENCY TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX Marc Abraham, Eric Newman, Hutch Parker
"GULLIVER'S TRAVELS" (Post Production) Visual Effects Producer/Supervisor	ROB LETTERMAN	TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX John Davis, Gregory Goodman
"GREEN LANTERN" VFX Producer (Pre-Production) UC	MARTIN CAMPBELL	WARNER BROTHERS Donald De Line, Herb Gains
"NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN" Assoc. Producer/Visual Effects Producer	SHAWN LEVY	TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX Shawn Levy, Michael Barnathan, Chris Columbus, Tom Hammel
"JUMPER" Visual Effects Producer	DOUG LIMAN	TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX Lucas Foster, Simon Kinberg, Arnon Milchan, Joe Hartwick Jr.
"FANTASTIC 4: RISE OF THE SILVER SURFER" Visual Effects Producer	TIM STORY	TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX Avi Arad, Bernd Eichinger, Ralph Winter
"NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM" Assoc. Producer/Visual Effects Producer	SHAWN LEVY	TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX Shawn Levy, Michael Barnathan, Chris Columbus, Tom Hammel
"AEON FLUX" Visual Effects Producer	KARYN KUSAMA	PARAMOUNT PICTURES Gale Anne Hurd, Gary Lucchesi, Gregory Goodman
"PETER PAN" Assoc. Producer/Visual Effects Producer	P.J. HOGAN	UNIVERSAL PICTURES Lucy Fisher, Patrick McCormick, Douglas Wick
"THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING" Assoc. Producer/Visual Effects Producer Academy Award win for VFX team	PETER JACKSON	NEW LINE CINEMA Peter Jackson, Barrie Osborne, Tim Sanders, Fran Walsh

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"RED PLANET"

Visual Effects Producer (DD) - UC

ANTONY HOFFMAN

WARNER BROTHERS Bruce Berman, Mark Canton

Stephen Jones

"WHAT DREAMS MAY COME" Visual Effects Producer/Supervisor Academy Award win for VFX team

VINCENT WARD

POLYGRAM FILMED **ENTERTAINMENT** Barnet Bain, Ted Field,

Alan Blomquist, Erica Huggins

"BATMAN & ROBIN" Head of Production/VP (Warner Digital Studios) JOEL SCHUMACHER

WARNER BROTHERS Peter Macgregor-Scott,

Michael E. Uslan

"MARS ATTACKS!" VFX Production Supervisor Head of Production/VP (Warner Digital Studios)

TIM BURTON

WARNER BROTHERS Tim Burton, Larry Franco,

Paul Deason

"VEGAS VACATION" **Executive Producer** Head of Production/VP (Warner Digital Studios) STEPHEN KESSLER

WARNER BROTHERS

Jerry Weintraub, Susan Ekins

"MY FELLOW AMERICANS" **Executive Producer** Head of Production/VP (Warner Digital Studios)

PETER SEGAL

WARNER BROTHERS

Jon Peters

"ERASER" **Executive Producer** 

Head of Production/VP (Warner Digital Studios) CHUCK RUSSELL

WARNER BROTHERS

Anne Kopelson, Arnold Kopelson,

Michael Tadross

"BATMAN FOREVER" **Executive Producer** Head of Production/VP (Warner Digital Studios) JOEL SCHUMACHER

WARNER BROTHERS Peter Macgregor-Scott,

Tim Burton

"MULTIPLICITY"

Exec Producer/Head of Production (Boss Film Studios)

HAROLD RAMIS

COLUMBIA PICTURES

Trevor Albert, Harold Ramis,

Lee Mayes

"SPECIES"

Visual Effects Production Supervisor

Head of Production (Boss Film Studios) ROGER DONALDSON

MGM Dennis Feldman.

Frank Mancuso Jr.

"WATERWORLD"

Exec Producer/Head of Production

(Boss Film Studios)

KEVIN REYNOLDS

UNIVERSAL PICTURES

Kevin Costner, John Davis,

Charles Gordon,

Lawrence Gordon, Ilona Herzberg

"OUTBREAK"

Exec Producer/Head of Production

(Boss Film Studios)

WOLFGANG PETERSEN

WARNER BROTHERS

Gail Katz, Arnold Kopelson,

Duncan Henderson

"DROP ZONE"

Exec Producer/Head of Production

(Boss Film Studios)

JOHN BADHAM

PARAMOUNT PICTURES

D.J. Caruso, Lauren Lloyd, Wallis Nicita, Doug Claybourne

"THE SCOUT"

Senior Vice President of Production Exec Producer (Boss Film Studios)

MICHAEL RITCHIE

TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

Albert S. Ruddy, Andre Morgan

"TRUE LIES"

Exec Producer/Head of Production

(Boss Film Studios)

Academy Award NOM for the VFX BAFTA Award NOM for VFX team

JAMES CAMERON

TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

Stephanie Austin,

James Cameron, Rae Sanchini

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"CLIFFHANGER" RENNY HARLIN TRI STAR PICTURES

Visual Effects Production Supervisor

Renny Harlin, Alan Marshall,
Head of Production (Boss Film)

Lynwood Spinks

Head of Production (Boss Film)

Academy Award NOM for VFX team

Lynwood Spinks

"BATMAN RETURNS" TIM BURTON WARNER BROTHERS

Visual Effects Production Supervisor
Head of Production (Boss Film)

Academy Award NOM for VFX team

Tim Burton, Denise Di Novi,
Larry Franco

"ALIEN 3" DAVID FINCHER TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

Visual Effects Production Supervisor
Head of Production (Boss Film)

Academy Award NOM for VFX team

Gordon Carroll, David Giler,
Walter Hill, Ezra Swerdlow

"GHOST" JERRY ZUCKER PARAMOUNT PICTURES

Visual Effects Production Supervisor

Lisa Weinstein, Howard W. Koch,

Head of Production (Boss Film)

Steven-Charles Jaffe

BAFTA Award NOM for VFX team

Steven-Charles Jaffe

"FLETCH LIVES" MICHAEL RITCHIE UNIVERSAL PICTURES

Exec Producer/Head of Production Peter Douglas, Alan Greisman (Boss Film Studios)

CONSULTING

 ${\sf MGM-2013-Visual}$  Effects Development Consultant – Studio Exec – Peter Oillataguerre "THE MAGNIFICENT SEVEN," "BEN-HUR"

SUMMIT ENTERTAINMENT – 2011 - Visual Effects Development Consultant – Studio Exec – Jason Leib "HIGHLANDER"

## **COMMERCIALS & SHORT FORM**

BAFTA Award NOM for VFX team

UNITED AIRLINES "Whales" - Head of Production - Boss Film Studios CLIO AWARD BUDWEISER SUPER BOWLS - "Bud Bowl 1 & 2" - Head of Production - Boss Film Studios

"JOURNEY TO TECHNOPIA" – Executive Producer - Boss Film Studios 4 minute 65 MM Motion Base film produced entirely by Boss for the 1993 Korean Expo.

"HAUS TEN BUSH" - Executive Producer - Boss Film Studios 10 minute exhibition film for the Nagasaki Theme Park - Japan.

DIGITAL PRODUCTIONS – 1984 – 1987: From Southern Representative to Head of Production and Producer. Notable achievements included the Music Video "Hard Woman," for the Rolling Stones as Producer and VFX Producer, the first CG Spiderman for the 1985 Marvel Logo, and campaigns for American Airlines.

MCANN ERICKSON HOUSTON – 1980-1984: Executive Producer National Clients included Exxon (Tiger Campaign) and Magnavox (John Cleese).

**Notable**: Beyond Ellen's credited projects as above, she has been central in creating and/or expanding 3 prominent visual effects companies over the course of her career. While Head of Production at Boss Film Studios, she launched their Computer Graphics (CGI) Department, which transformed the company. Notable projects from Boss included "Alien 3," "Batman Returns," and "True Lies," all of which were considered ground breaking and received Academy Award nominations for best Visual Effects. Following her success at Boss, she was hired by Warner Brothers Studios to turn Wabbit, their vendor of a dozen employees, into a full-fledged visual effects company. Warner Digital was created becoming a 200-person crew in record time while producing such notable projects as Tim Burton's "Mars Attacks." As a consultant on the Trilogy and credited Associate Producer on "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring," Ellen played a key role in expanding WETA Digital to meet the needs of the Lord of the Rings' trilogy.

Affiliations: Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences

Skills: Filemaker, Merlin (scheduling), Movie Magic, Shotgun, Cinesync, Photoshop, Excel

**Locations**: Baton Rouge & New Orleans, Louisiana, Manhattan, NYC, San Francisco, Australia, (Sydney & Gold Coast), Germany (Berlin & Potsdam), London, Jordan, New Zealand, Vancouver.

Passports: Dual US and Ireland Citizenships