

Cristián Martin (he/him)

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About Me

I am a storyteller and a documentary filmmaker focused on resilience, identity, and community. I create stories that amplify marginalized voices and explore the quiet power of personal truth. My recent work includes a feature on Puerto Rican cultural pride, contributions to an Emmy-winning investigative doc series, and a personal film about my transition. Through every frame, I center authenticity, emotional depth, and the belief that media can heal.

Selected Projects

Soy Cristián (Working Title, In Progress) – *Director, Cinematographer, Editor*

- A yearlong self-documentary showcasing my transition as a trans person in America
- I document my joy, my struggle, and my growth as I step fully into who I am
- This piece offers an intimate, first-person perspective rooted in emotional truth — a response to a time of rising misinformation, cultural misunderstanding, and the ongoing fight for trans rights

Boricua No Te Quitas – *Director, Cinematographer, Editor*

- A feature-length documentary chronicling the final Chinchorreos organized by Boricuas en North Carolina
- Showcases the strength of the Puerto Rican diaspora through stories of resilience, cultural pride, and community
- Captured personal narrative and large-scale celebrations that drew over 15,000 attendees

Puerto Rican Voices: Living Under Austerity (Season 5) – *Post Production Assistant*

- Contributed to all five episodes of this Emmy-winning investigative documentary series produced by the Center for Puerto Rican Studies (CENTRO) at Hunter College
 - Inserted bilingual captions, created end credits and mixed audio (three episodes only)
 - The series was recognized with four New York Emmy Awards (2023 and 2024)
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Recognition

NY Emmy Awards (2023 and 2024) – Puerto Rican Voices: Living Under Austerity Season 5

- Awarded for: *Tito Matos ¡Ahora Sí!*, *Privatized Resilience*, *After the Boats Left*, and *The Tax Paradise*
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EDUCATION

M.A., Sport and Exercise Psychology – Minnesota State University, Mankato

B.A., Psychology and Communications (Media Studies and Production) – UNC Chapel Hill