
TROY STRATOS

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Summary

Troy Stratos is a director and entrepreneur who has been involved in video and music production since the 80s. Beginning with his internship under Lord David Putnam at Columbia Pictures, he has been involved with several different facets of the industry. He has served as a director for Stars Talent Agency, networking with models and with other fashionistas. He also served as the Director for Worldwide Marketing for Paramount Images, the music video branch of Paramount Studios, and held that post until the Viacom buyout in 1993. At that point, he changed his industry, and went to work for Berry Gordy at Motown Records. There, he became Gordy's speech writer, and is mentioned in Gordy's biography. This also brought him into close contact with such names as Nancy Wilson, the Jacksons, Diana Ross, Stevie Wonder, and others. Troy Stratos' distinctions begin back in college. He was awarded a full basketball scholarship to attend the New York University Tisch School of the Arts in Manhattan. After staying there for a year, he transferred to the University of Southern California, whilst retaining his basketball scholarship. While working as an intern for Ruben Cannon and Associates on various film projects, he applied to the Columbia Pictures Producer's Intern Program. He was one of 5000 applicants, and was one of only 13 accepted. Prior to the departure of David Putnam, Stratos was responsible for covering the reunion of the Arab League in 1988. This experience invigorated him, and on his return he began to become involved in more dynamic aspects of the production industry. Currently, Troy Stratos has several projects in the works. These include various film and music video projects, as well as a few different fashion lines. His dynamic personality pushes him to explore more of what these exciting industries have to offer.

Director of Worldwide Marketing
Paramount Pictures

Director
Stars Talent Agency

1984 - Present *Tisch School of the Arts*

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