

Jack Rapke **Making Award-Winning Films**

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Zemeckis. Upon his graduation from New York University Film School in 1974, Rapke moved to Los Angeles to embark on a lifetime career in the entertainment industry.

During a seven-year tenure as co-chairman of Creative

was the award-winning "Cast Away," starring

ACK RAPKE is a film producer whose first production

Tom Hanks and Helen Hunt. Directed by Robert

Artists Agency (CAA) motion picture department, Rapke cultivated a high-profile client list that included Jerry Bruckheimer, Ridley Scott, Michael Mann, Harold Ramis, Michael Bay, Terry Gilliam, Bob Gale, Bo Goldman, Steve Kloves, Howard Franklin, Scott Frank, Robert Kamen, John Hughes, Joel Schumacher, Marty Brest, Chris Columbus, Ezra Sacks, and Imagine **Entertainment partners Ron Howard and Brian Grazer.**

Rapke has produced numerous award-winning films including "Flight," starring Denzel Washington, which was nominated

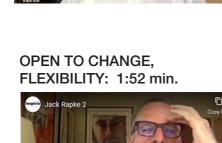
for two Academy Awards; The Walk," starring Joseph

Gordon-Levitt; "Allied," starring Brad Pitt; "Welcome to Marwen" starring Steve Carell; "The Witches" starring starred Anne Hathaway and Octavia Spencer; the upcoming "Finch" starring Tom Hanks; "What Lies Beneath" starring Harrison Ford and Michelle Pfeiffer, the Ridley Scottdirected "Matchstick Men" starring Nicolas Cage; "The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio" starring Julianne Moore and Woody Harrelson, and "Last Holiday" starring Queen Latifah. For Television, Rapke was Executive Producer for the three seasons of "The Borgias" starring Jeremy Irons, and was Executive Producer on the documentary series "Medal of

Honor." He served as Executive Producer on "Blue Book," and has Executive Produced all three seasons of "Manifest." The videos below were **recorded via Zoom**, are organized by Success Factor, and run between 30 seconds and 9 minutes. Click on any video. You must be connected to the Internet to

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view the videos.



Why did your parents move to

Miami?

What was your first awareness

of art of any discipline?



When did you start thinking that you wanted to have a career in the film industry?

Tell us about meeting legendary French filmmaker François Truffaut when you were young.

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developed as a Hollywood agent and chairman of Creative Artists Agency (CAA) that helped you as a film producer?

Let's talk about one of my alltime favorite films, "Cast Away," starring Tom Hanks and Helen Hunt. Your first movie as a

producer.

What are the skills you

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OVERCOMES CHALLENGES



Who came up with the idea of having Tom Hanks talk to a volleyball in "Cast Away"?



Zemeckis evolve?

today?

How did your relationship with "Cast Away" director Robert

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What did you learn in NYU film school that still informs you

CRITICAL THINKING: 2:20 min.



business?

regarding diversity in the movie

What are your thoughts

