



# Yuliana Sleme

“With her great talent she has conquered the hearts of the New Yorkers, but above all she has made the people of Quintana Roo proud.”

- Radio Fórmula QR

## Latest news:

On October 4 of this year, Yuliana Sleme won the award for “Best Actress - Short” at the 12th annual Lady Filmmakers Festival with the film “La Santera”.

Winner and one of the “10 Best Mexicans 2020” & #1 in the area of “Cinematography Youth Artist” by the National Council of Organizations, Mexico this Nov 28th, 2020.

Yuliana Sleme is a Mexican actress currently living in New York. Her passion for acting started at a very young age and she began her career working at a local theater company in her city. Ever since 2019 until today, Yuliana has been an active actress in NYC, proudly representing her country and her Latino brothers and sisters.

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# Biography



Actress Yuliana Sleme was born in Cozumel, Mexico. She started her career with “Mosca Morada Teatro”, where she played iconic characters such as La Hiedra Venenosa; from the Mexican musical “Qué Plantón”, Bella; from “Beauty and the Beast”, Nala; from “The Lio King”, Audrey; from “The Little Shop of Horrors” and Terk from “Tarzan”. She even worked for a time with the circus company “Circoz”. Thanks to her influence as a performer and actress, she became the winner of the Municipal Youth Award “Artistic Expressions and Popular Arts” in Cozumel in 2016.

Now a graduate of “The New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts” since May 2019, Yuliana continues to grow and advance in her career. She has auditioned and landed leading roles in short films and web series such as “La Santera”, “Glean”, “The Audition” “I Have Demons” (available on Amazon Prime USA), “Retro-City”, “Miva & Reed” and “Émigré” among other New York projects, some of which are making their way through the Film Festival circuit. On the other hand, she has also worked in New York plays, such as “The Lion The Witch and the Wardrobe”, an original piece called “Songs of Light and Darkness” and in her latest project, which would have premiered on March of the current year 2020, she would have starred as Rosemary in the musical “How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying”. She also has had the honor to work with actor and director David del Rio while Amy Marcs is her mentor.

Yuliana’s representation has been “Arcos Management Company” since the month of October 2019.

More projects are in the process of being created and hopefully they’ll come to light soon. Yuliana says she is immensely grateful for all the opportunities she has received so far. What motivates her is the hunger for knowledge. What ignites her are her experiences that push her to persist and keep working on her greatest passion.





# Achievements



Nationally recognition as one of the “10 Best Mexicans 2020” & #1 in the area of “Cinematography Youth Artist” by the National Council of Organizations, Mexico.

Recognized as one of the best Mexican actresses, considered a distinguished Quintana Roo citizen and young promise to the world. She will receive this accolade: “Doctoratus Propter Honorem” this Nov 28th.



“Best Actress in a Short”

Festival: Lady Filmmakers Film Festival 2020  
Short film: “La Santera”; where she played the lead character.



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This accolade was awarded by “Firma de Pacto por las JUVENTUDES”, in the Honorable Congress of Mexico City on the 13th of February, 2020.



“Best Actress” Finalist

Festival: Venice Shorts 2020  
Short film: “Gleam”; where she played the lead character.



2016 Youth Award  
“Artistic Expressions and Popular Arts”

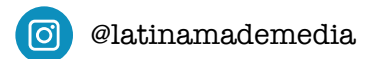


Cozumel’s Carnival  
Youth Queen 2016



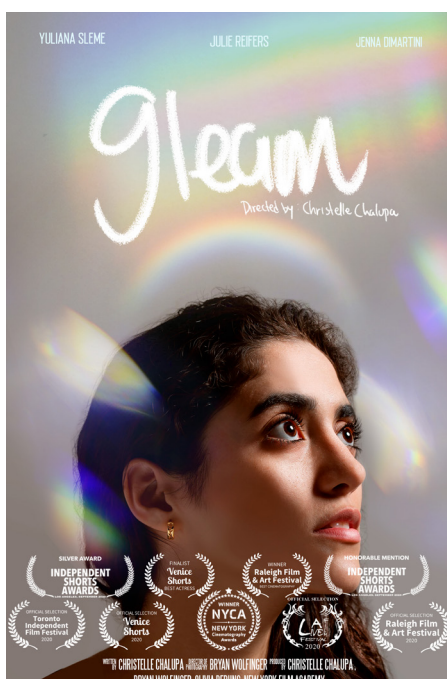
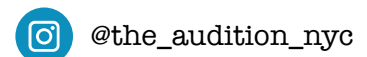
## “La Santera”

A family and mythological drama, where Graciela (Yuliana) misuses her mother's Faith and Santera practices to protect her younger sister from a predator. This story represents and honors Latino families and lifestyles.



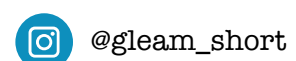
## “The Audition”

A comedy with a light and absurd humor about the daily life of the actors and the auditions.



## “Glem”

Abby (Yuliana) will have to reconnect with herself and her passion for painting when facing the obstacles of life; a mentor who doesn't understand her art and a disease.





# Summary of Recent Achievements



On October 4 of the current year, Yuliana Sleme won the award for “Best Actress - Short” at the 12th annual Lady Filmmakers Festival with the film “La Santera”. This is a festival in which international productions compete, including England, France, Italy, Spain and more. Among this year’s nominated actors there was Juliette Stevenson, Iwan Rheon and Tuppence Middleton in the categories Best Actress in a Short, Best Supporting Actor in a Short, and Best Supporting Actress in a Short. Similarly, Yuliana is nominated for Best Actress at the World Music & Independent Film Festival with the same short film and was a finalist for “Best Actor” in the Venice Shorts 2020 with “Gleam”. The winners for the first will be revealed in February 2021.

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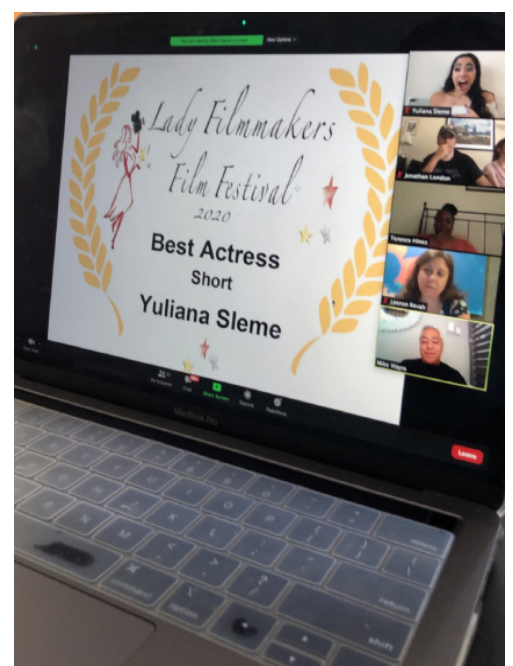
families and lifestyles has won awards and nominations in different categories from various festivals, including: “Best Film” in Hollywood International Golden Globe. “Best Live Action Short”, “Best Cinematography” and “Best Production Design” in the World Distribution Award 2020. “Best Halloween Teaser” at Lady Filmmakers Festival. “Best Original Score” at the New York Cinematography Awards. “Best Female Director” at the Phoenix International Monthly Short Film Festival. “Best Actress in Short” for Yerania in Cyrus International Film Festival. And “Merit Award” at the WRPN Women’s International Film Festival. It is also an official selection of the following festivals: Official Latino Film and Arts Festival, LA Femme International Film Festival, Flicker’s Rhode Island International Film Festival and the World Music & Independent Film Festival.

But it’s not only “La Santera” who’s taken flight. Yuliana participated in two other short films that are making their way into the world of film festivals.

“**Gleam**” tells the story of Abby (Yuliana), who is looking to reconnect with herself and her painting when facing adversity; a mentor who doesn’t understand her art and a disease. It has won “Best Cinematography” awards at both the New York Cinematography Awards and the Raleigh Film and Arts Festival. And three more awards at the Independent Short Awards LA. It is also an official selection at the Toronto Independent Film Festival 2020, Venice Shorts 2020 and at the LA Live Film Festival.

The third short film is “**The Audition**”, which unlike the previous two, is a comedy. With a light and absurd humor telling the daily lives of actors and auditions, this short film has also gained recognition and attention from festivals. Such as Indie Short Fest, Cyrus International Festival of Toronto, New York Movie Awards, Portland Comedy Film Festival, Chicago Indie Film Awards, Sydney Women’s International Film Festival, NewFilmmakers NY and Phoenix International Monthly Short Film Festival.

Currently these three films continue to make their way through these and more festivals. Yuliana, as well as the respective teams behind these productions, look forward to what awaits them in the future.



**During the Lady Filmmakers Award Ceremony**

# Reviews

"Any Director that gets to work with you, has no idea what gift they just got"

-Yerania Del Orbe  
Director of "La Santera"



"It is an honor to have her with us. She is an example of total determination, an example of discipline."

-Oscar Ibarra  
Theater and Musical  
Theater Director

"She is amazing, she is talented, she is hilarious and her smile lit up our set!"

-Nattasha Kaminsky  
Director of "The Audition"

"She's been so incredible to work with!"

-Devin Kasparian  
Director of "Miva & Reed"

"I remember her fondly, a very hard-working, beautiful, attentive and above all talented girl. I'm sure we'll hear from her soon. "

-Michelle Rogel  
Actress

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