

SARAH BERMAN, LSW

SOCIAL WORKER AND FILMMAKER

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EDUCATION

Master of Social Work
University of Denver, Class of 2020
Current GPA: 3.98
Concentration: Mental Health

Bachelor of Arts
Duke University, Class of 2014
Overall GPA: 3.89
Major: Cultural Anthropology

FILM RECOGNITION

Outside Magazine
2020 Screening, *Life for My Family*

5Point Film Festival
2020 Selection, *Life for My Family*

No Man's Land Festival
2020 Selection, *The Ripple Effect*

Trail Runner Magazine
2020 Publication, *The Ripple Effect*

AAPLAC Conference
2021 Selection, *Lengua Materna*

OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Research: Significant experience in public health, anthropological, and legal research

Languages: English (native), Spanish (fluent)

Computer: SPSS, ChildPlus, MyAvatar

Filmmaking: skilled in Adobe Creative Cloud

Yoga: Certified yoga teacher (200 hours)

AUDIOVISUAL EXPERIENCE

Producer, Interviewer, Story Consultant, Audio

The Life of Ashley Straub (Working Title) | October 2020-present
Denver, Colorado

- A short portrait film following Ashley Straub, fly fishing guide, through the process of uniting her adoptive father and birthfather through the lens of fly fishing

Creator, Director, Editor, Producer

Lengua Materna | December 2020
Chiapas, Mexico

- How does our native language affect the way we see the world? This film utilizes a poem translated through three different languages to explore the power of language and culture

Assistant Producer

The Ripple Effect by Merrell | August 2019
Boulder, Colorado

- A film connecting female voices in professional trail running to the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote and the newly approved Every Word We Utter monument in Washington, D.C. created by Colorado artist Jane Dedecker

Producer, Interviewer, Story Consultant, Outdoor Film Fellow

Life for My Family | July 2019 - present
Minturn, Breckenridge, Lyons and Eldorado Springs, Colorado

- An exploration of familial grief and loss as Mackenzie McGrath moves through the loss of her brother, Taurin McGrath and honors him through her nonprofit work with the organization First Descents

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Forensic Social Worker

Alternate Defense Counsel | July 2020-present
Western Slope, Colorado

- Independent contractor across the Western Slope providing social work perspective for interdisciplinary legal defense teams

Therapist Intern

Mind Springs Health | September 2019-June 2020
Frisco, Colorado

- Maintained a therapy caseload of individual and family clients in Summit County Jail and Mind Springs Health's office in English and Spanish

Forensic Social Work Intern

Office of the Colorado State Public Defender | September 2018-June 2020
Dillon, Colorado

- Provided a social work perspective for mitigation work and supportive counseling for indigent clients in Colorado's 5th Judicial District