## Albert Hanan Kaminski

Born in Brussels (Belgium) in 1950.

Emmigrated to Israel in 1970.

Nationality: French and Israeli.

Animation film and Animation TV serie director.

1977-79 Graphic designer at the IBA (Israeli Broadcasting Authority).

1986 Created with Dora Benousilio "Les Films de l'Arlequin" production company in Paris.

Since 1993 Member of the French authors and dramatic composers society (SACD).

1995 Created with Peter Volkle "TV.Loonland Animation Studios" in Budapest (200 artists).

1996 - 2002 Creative director of TV.Loonland Animation Studios in Budapest.

1997 Creative consultant for C.T.W (USA) on the Palestinian production of "Sesame street".

2001 Member of the international jury at the Berlin film festival.

2004-06 Creative consultant for TV Loonland AG (Germany)

2006 – Retrospective special program at the 11th international animation festival in Japan Hiroshima 2006.

## Education

1973-77 Graduated from the Bezalel academy of art & design in Jerusalem in the graphic design department.

1979-81 Post-graduate degree from the Rijksacademie of visual arts in Amsterdam in the visual communication department.

## Teaching & Academic activities

1996 - Created with Yossi Abulafia the new Animation unit at the Bezalel academy of art & design in Jerusalem.

Since 1996 Animation senior lecturer at the Bezalel academy of art and design in Jerusalem.

Since 1996 Member of the teaching committee of the Animation department of the Bezalel academy of art and design in Jerusalem.

2005 - Q & A at the Film and Animation department of the School of Visual Art in New York

Currently – Mentor of the graduation films at the Animation department of the Bezalel academy of art and design in Jerusalem.

Currently – Teaching an advanced curse of 2D animation studies in the Animation department of the Bezalel academy of art and design in Jerusalem.

# **Filmography**

Shorts

1979 – **Little Hirik** 7 minutes (Israel)

Director and scriptwriter

1981 – **The Pink & the Grey** 8 minutes (The Netherlands)

Director and scriptwriter

1983 – **Un certain"K"** 15 minutes (France)

Director of animation

1985 - **Victory** 8 minutes (Israel-France)

Director and scriptwriter

TV series

1982-93 – **Sesame street** about 50 films

Director

production: CTW (USA). broadcasting: PBS (USA)

1989 – **Little Songs** 5X50 minutes (Israel)

Director

1991 – **Les Betises** 13X3minutes (France)

Director and scriptwriter

production:Canal J, Television Suisse Romande. Distribution Polygram. Broadcasting: France 2, France 3, Societe

Radio Canada, RTBF, Television Suisse Romande...

1993 – **100 first songs** 4X50 minutes (Israel)

Director

1997 - **Ned's Newt** 26X13 minutes (Germany-Canada)

Storyboard supervisor

production: Nelvana Itd.,TV.Loonland, RTL-Disney Television

1999 – **Pettson & Findus** (season I) 13X13 minutes (Germany-Sweden)

Director

production: Svensk film industrii, tv Loonland (Germany), ZDF(Germany). Distribution Hit entertainment

2000 – **The Fantastic Flying Journey** 13X24 minutes (England-Germany)

Director

production :2 sides TV & TVC London (England), TV.Loonland (Germany), ITV (England)

2001 – **Felix** 

Director 13X24 minutes (Germany)

production: Caligari film, NDF, TV Loonland. Broadcasting: ZDF(Germany).

## 2003 - The Nimbols

13X24 minutes (Germany)

Director

production: Caligari film, Asset media, Daimler-Chrysler

2006 – **Pettson & Findus** (season II) 13X13 minutes (Germany-Sweden-Denmark)

Associate director

Production:TV.Loonland (Germany), Afilm (Denmark), Telemagination (UK), Happylife (Sweden).

#### Theatrical feature films

#### 1995 - The Real Shlemiel

Director and scriptwriter 75 minutes (France-Germany)

distribution: Columbia (USA & South America) Disney (Spain), Canal+ (France & Belgium)

Premiere, ZDF (Germany)

1997 – **Babar: King of the the Elephants** 80 minutes (Germany-Canada-France)

Director of animation

Production: TV Loonland (Germany), Nelvana (Canada), Ellipse animation (France).

# 1999 - Pettson and Findus -The Cat and the Old man's year

74 minutes (Germany-Sweden)

Director

production: Swedish Film Institute, Svensk film industrii, ZDF, TV Loonland (Germany). distribution: Hit entertainmernt.

2000 - Pettson & Findus - The Catonauts

74 minutes (Germany-Sweden)

Director

production: Swedish Film Institute, Svensk film industrii, ZDF, TV Loonland (Germany). distribution: Hit entertainment.

2005 – **Heidi** 

Director of preproduction

Production: TV Loonbland, Bavarian film fund, Nelvana (Canada), Telemagination (England). Distribution 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox.

2006 – Pettson's promisse

75 minutes (Germany-Sweden-Denmark-England)

74 minutes (Germany-Canada-England)

Associate director

Production:TV.Loonland (Germany), Afilm (Denmark), Telemagination (UK), Happylife (Sweden).

Currently - King Solomon (in development) 75 minutes (Israel-Hungary-England)

Director and scriptwriter

Eden productions (Israel) - Cinemon KFT (Hungary) - 2sidesTV (UK)

## **Book illustrations**

1979 - Hahohit shel Izhar by Sarah Eshel

published by Sifriat Hapoalim (Israel)

1984 – A Mouthful of Gum by Myriam Michaelis

published by Sifriat Hapoalim (Israel)

1985 - The Explosion in the Ahalan street by Daniela Carmi

published by Keter (Israel)

1987 - **Head in the clouds** by Jacob Jacobson

published by Bitan publishers ltd. (Israel)

1987 – **The Animated Israel** by Efraim Sidon

published by Scopus film ltd. (Israel)

1989 – The Man in the Moon and Me by Louise Doughty

Published by My Book Itd. (UK)

1990 – How we caught the Wicked Witch by Terrance Dicks

Published by My Book Itd. (UK)

1990 – The Day we saved the Circus by Terrance Dicks

Published by My Book Itd. (UK)

1996 – Die Schelme von Schelm based on Isaac Bashevis Singer stories

German text by Michael Czernich

Published by Franz Schneider Verlag GMBH (Germany)

# Prizes & grants

- 1983 Grant for short films from the French centre of cinematography -(Un certain "K").
- 1990 Grant for feature films from the French centre of cinematography (The Real Shlemiel).
- 1991 Beaumarchais prize of the French authors and dramatic composers society (SACD) for script (The Real Shlemiel).
- 1991 Eurimages grant of the European council (The Real Shlemiel).
- 1992 grant for feature films from the film fund of the Bavarian state (The Real Shlemiel).
- 1992 Media program fund of the European Union (The Real Shlemiel).
- 1995 Dragon (Grand Prix) of the Augsburg Children's film festival (Germany) for "The Real Schlemiel"
- 1997 First Prize young jury and the Audience Prize at the Bourg en Bresse (France) Children's film festival for "The Real Shlemiel)".
- 1997 "The parents' choice" golden award (USA) for the best film on video (The Real Shlemiel).
- 1998 Grant from the Swedish film institute fund for feature films (Pettson & Findus).
- 1998 Grant for feature films from the film fund of the Bavarian state (Pettson & Findus).
- 2000 Official selection at the Berlin film festival (crystal Bear competition for children feature films) for "Pettson & Findus".
- 2001 Pucinella award (Italy) for the best series for infants (Pettson & Findus)
- 2001 Golden Telix award (Germany) for the best serie for infants (Pettson & Findus).
- 2005 Grant from the city of Tel-Aviv (Rabinowitz fund for feature film) for "The Talekeepers".
- 2006 Nominated for the Best European production of the year at the Cartoon Movie for the three "Pettson & Findus" features films.