

We are all being impacted in various ways by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. It's a historic event that will be analyzed, studied and talked about for decades.

This is a good time to produce your own personalized video diary about your experience while you are at home.

You can address how you are impacted, how are your relatives affected at home and work. How are you adjusting? Are you scared? Why? Are you following the news?

You may combine interviews with family, friends and show yourself commenting on and/or off-camera via voiceover. These interviews can be done at home. Have friends and family film themselves using their own technology and then share with you. Describe your experience on camera.

Remember that this is a video diary/documentary. You are not shooting everything in one day. The idea is to capture your long-term experience. You might want to shoot video daily or every 2-3 days to document important events and developments.

Everything can be done on your iPhone, iPad or any device that shoots video. Always shoot in landscape mode. Keep the shot very steady. Make sure you are in focus. (You can lock in your focus on iPhone by tapping and holding until it locks.) Make sure to get good sound- it's 50 percent of your production. I have demonstrated to most students that you can turn your earbuds into a quality mic.

Remember your composition. Always consider using the rule of thirds, especially for interviews.

Finally, there are simple solutions to get good lighting- use a house lamp, ask the person you're interviewing to face the window, etc.

Below are some web sites and videos with great tips for all aspects of video production, including tips about doing interviews.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Iz2U-SHQ7_w



[How to Shoot Cinematic Interviews in 2 Minutes | Job Shadow](#)

See in 2 minutes how I setup an interview that works in any situation. In this video I show 5 different lighting setups. [↓](#) More INFO below [↓](#) Full article on my website: <https://wp.me/p8IV72-4HP> The project we filmed is a documentary about Canadians soldiers in World War I. It's produced by Spinning Rabbit Productions. You can see the ...

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To join our Ultimate Online Film School OR Watch our Free 1-Hour Training:

<https://go.fulltimefilmmaker.com/5b6f6f90> Where to buy the equipment I mentioned in this video?

Camera 1 (1DX Mark II):

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B01B6OTTIM?tag=par-kerwalbe01-20> Camera 2 (5D Mark IV):

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B01KURGS9E?tag=par-kerwalbe01-20> Key Light ...

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<https://www.youtube.com/user/filmriot>

<https://www.youtube.com/user/indymogul/featured>

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<https://www.youtube.com/user/lyndapodcast/playlists>

<https://philipbloom.net>

<https://www.creatorhandbook.net>

<https://www.youtube.com/user/creatoracademy/featured>

<https://www.videomaker.com>

<http://www.lafcpug.org>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxHRoS0UJXd3i1B6z4fgneA>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnqmgMi2D6KQdFKGq0kKkdQ>

<https://philipbloom.net>

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