



**RAFFAELLA 2000**

## **PRODUCER'S SHORT BIO**

### **ADELE BUDINA**

Adele Budina is the founder of A. B. Film, an Albanian production company specializing in feature films, documentaries and international co-productions. She began her professional career at the Albanian Embassy in Rome, gaining early experience in international relations and project coordination before moving into film production. Over the past decade, she has built a strong track record in both Italian and Albanian cinema, specializing in projects that bridge cultural and geographic borders.

Her credits include the feature films ***Broken*** (2017) by Edmond Budina, awarded Best Film and Best Director at four international festivals; ***Weekend*** (2020) by Riccardo Grandi, distributed on Amazon Prime Video Italy; ***L'amor fuggente*** (2022) by Davide Lomma; ***E se mio padre*** (2023) by Sole Tonnini, which premiered at Rome Film Fest 2024 and won several prizes; ***Per un po'*** (2025) by Simone Valentini. She is also co-producing ***È andata così*** (2025) by Gianni Zanasi, an Italy–Spain–Albania co-production.

In addition to feature films, she has co-produced over 20 Italian and international documentaries, including ***Parlate a bassa voce*** (2020) by Esmeralda Calabria, which premiered at the 40th Torino Film Festival, as well as various cultural and television projects.

She has collaborated with the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MAECI) and other institutional partners on audiovisual workshops, educational initiatives, and cultural events.

She has authored essays on Albanian women in ***Donne d'Albania***, published with the endorsement of the Italian Senate, and continues to foster cross-border collaborations in film and culture.

Adele is recognized for her ability to develop cross-border projects, securing funding from institutions such as the Italian Ministry of Culture and regional film commissions, and for creating productive collaborations that ensure both artistic quality and international visibility.