

## NEELESHA BARTHEL | BIOGRAPHY

Neelesha Barthel was born in 1977 in Potsdam-Babelsberg as the daughter of the Indian director student (Chetna Vora) and the German camera student (Lars Barthel). In 1983 she left the GDR with her parents and grew up in West Berlin after stays in India and the USA. Neelesha was drawn behind the camera at an early age and from 1999 she worked on various film projects as a camerawoman, editor and director. Her first cinematic steps culminated in the feature-length documentary "Bling Bling" (2001). After this she made the German TV documentary "Fifty Fifty" (2002). In 2002 Neelesha studied directing at the HFF "Konrad Wolf" Potsdam and concentrated on fictional narration. In 2008 she successfully completed her studies with the TV movie "Zwei zu Dritt". Parallel to developing the script for her debut film, Neelesha attended a script seminar at the Script Academy. The Kreuzberg culture-clash comedy "Marry Me!" finally reached the cinemas in 2015. In 2016 Neelesha directed her first TV comedy "A Terrible Rich Couple". Currently, Neelesha works as a director for TV movies and series and continues to develop her own film projects. Neelesha lives with her family in Berlin.

From 1995 to 2008 Neelesha worked as an actress with her stage name Neelesha BaVora, starring in for example "Samsara" (2001) and "Alltag" (2002).



## Neelesha Barthel | CV

### FEATURE | TELEVISION

- 2019 | **Wapo Berlin** | TV series (4 episodes) | Saxonia Media | ARD
- 2018 | **Zum Glück gibt's Schreiner** | TV film | Wiedemann & Berg | ARD Degeto
- 2017 | **Soko Köln** | TV series (4 episodes) | Network Movie Filmproduktion | ZDF
- 2016 | **Ein Schrecklich Reiches Paar** | TV film | Hager Moss Filmproduktion | ZDF
- 2016-2017 | **Notruf Hafenkante** | TV series (7 episodes) | Letterbox Filmproduktion | ZDF
- 2014 | **Marry Me!** | feature film | Wüste Film Ost, ZDF Kleines Fernsehspiel, Arte | ZDF, arte | scriptwriter and director
- 2011 | **Take Off** | music video
- 2008 | **24h Berlin** | documentary | Zero One Film | RBB
- 2007 | **Zwei zu dritt** | feature film | RBB, HFF "Konrad Wolf" | scriptwriter and director
- 2005 | **Joy's Joy** | short film | HFF "Konrad Wolf"
- 2003 | **Mr. Street** | short documentary | HFF "Konrad Wolf"
- 2003 | **Lingam & Yoni** | short film | HFF "Konrad Wolf"
- 2001 | **Fifty Fifty** | documentary | Media Content Factory | ZDF - Das Kleine Fernsehspiel
- 2001 | **Bling Bling** | documentary | TroubleShooting Films & Veit Helmer Filmproduktion | Co-directors: Heike Woosey, Janna Ji Wonders
- 1999 | **En Why? See!** | documentary | TroubleShooting Films | Co-directors: Ina Géraldine, Heike Woosey

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PERSONAL DATA

Languages:

Place of Birth: **Potsdam**

Residence: **Berlin**

Year of Birth: **1977**