

# ZAIN EFFENDI



## SELECTED CREDITS

OGA'S CANTINA AT GALAXY'S EDGE (2019) - (Original Soundtrack for Cantina)

THE HELPER (2017)

BEYBLADE BURST (2017)

VITAMINAMULCH: AIR SPECTACULAR (2014)

FINDING HILLYWOOD (2013)

## BIOGRAPHY

Born in Colorado, Zain Effendi began life as a passionate composer of symphonic music at a very early age. By the age of five, Zain had already formed deep bonds with the art of crafting sound into music with great emotional depth. A majority of his childhood years were spent at the piano and it was there where he began his evolution as a composer.

It was in his teenage years however, that he became fascinated with the art of filmmaking. "*There are few arts that have the facility to move and change humanity like film and I feel so privileged to be a part of this.*"

His college years were spent studying at the finest music schools in the East Coast. "*I was a small fish in a big sea full of genius musicians, I'm so thankful for that. It gave me the incentive to work harder at my craft than ever imaginable.*" While studying composition at The Boston Conservatory for Music under the highly acclaimed composer Andy Vores, Zain spent countless hours perfecting his skills with the orchestra. These years played a key role in the development of Zain's unique symphonic voice. It was during his last year while studying at the renowned Berklee College of Music in Boston, where Zain had the rare opportunity to work alongside the Academy Award Winning composer Hans Zimmer ('The Lion King'). "*I packed a small bag and just hours after getting the phone call I was on the next plane to Los Angeles.*"

Upon his arrival in Hollywood, Zain was immediately thrown into the biggest blockbusters of that summer. "*Working with Zimmer and practically living at Remote Control Productions were the toughest and most influential years of my life. It was remarkable to be a part of such a world class team, all of us working together towards the production of such scores as 'The Pirates of The Caribbean' and 'The Dark Knight.'*" After several years and almost a dozen films ('The Holiday', 'Pirates of The Caribbean 3: A Dead Man's Chest', 'The Simpson's Movie', 'Bee Movie', 'Transformers', 'Casi Divas', 'Kung Fu Panda', 'Madagascar 2: Escape From Africa', 'Frost/Nixon', 'The Dark Knight') with Zimmer, Zain left the studio to venture onto his solo career.

Zain currently works in Los Angeles. He was awarded Best New Composer at the Hollywood Music & Media Awards and he recently won a Telly award for his score to the film 'Zombeo & Juliecula'. His recent projects include Neil Gaiman's latest animated film "The Price" directed by Christopher Salmon, 'Pleiades' directed by Angel Mario Huerta for Bad Robot Productions, the cult hit

'Thankskilling 3' directed by Jordan Downey, 'Moments of Clarity' directed by Stev Elam, and the recent 'Tinker Bell' and 'Planes' short films for John Lasseter's at DisneyToon Studios.

Zain's recent work includes composing original songs for Walt Disney Imagineering to be featured at the new Star Wars, Galaxy's Edge theme park at both Disneyland and Disney World.

## FILM CREDITS

### **The Helper (2017)**

Composer  
Directed by Joanna Bowers  
Cheeky Monkey Productions

### **Moments of Clarity (2016)**

Composer  
Directed by Stev Elam  
Long Stem Pictures

### **Salvage (2013)**

Composer  
Directed by Stev Elam  
Moonhill Productions

### **The Price (2013)**

Composer  
Directed by Christopher Salmon  
Producers Neil Gaiman, Cat Mihos,  
Christopher Salmon  
SilverFish Creative

### **Finding Hillywood (2013)**

Composer  
Director Leah Warshawski  
Inflatable Films

### **ThanksKilling 3 (2012)**

Composer  
Director Jordan Downey  
Producers Ricky Fosheim, Jordan Downey  
and Kevin Stewart  
Wartney Productions

### **Where My Heart Beats (2010)**

Composer  
Directed by Khazar Fatemi  
Speck Productions

### **That Side of a Shadow (2010)**

Composer  
Director Rickey Fosheim  
Producers Rickey Fosheim and Dillon Tucker

### **The Death of Socrates (2010)**

Composer  
Producers Natasa Prosenec Stears and  
Wallace Zane  
Kanyala Pictures LLC

### **Gagetown (2009)**

Director Daniel Feighery  
Producers Daniel Feighery and Greg de  
Domenico

### **Casi divas (2008)**

Samples coordinator  
Directed by Issa Lopez  
Columbia Pictures

### **Frost/Nixon (2008)**

Samples Coordinator  
Directed by Ron Howard  
Universal Pictures

### **Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (2008)**

Samples Coordinator  
Directed by Eric Darnell & Tom McGrath  
DreamWorks Animation

### **The Dark Knight (2008)**

Samples Coordinator  
Directed by Christopher Nolan  
Warner Bros.

### **Kung Fu Panda (2008)**

Samples Coordinator  
Directed by Mark Osborne & John Stevenson  
DreamWorks Animation

### **The Simpsons Movie (2007)**

Samples Coordinator  
Director David Silverman  
Twentieth Century Fox



**Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End (2007)**

Sample Development  
Director Gore Verbinski  
Buena Vista Pictures

**The Holiday (2006)**

Technical Score Engineer  
Director Nancy Meyers  
Universal Pictures

**Thursday (2006)**

Composer  
Directed by Thadd Williams  
Emerson Independent Video

**TELEVISION CREDITS**

**Beyblade Burst (2017)**

Composer  
Directed by Kentaro Yamaguchi  
D-Rights Inc., Disney XD

**Real Eyes: "Esther's Voice" (2012)**

Composer  
Directors Canaan Rubin  
Producer Amanda Whitis

**One Night Stand Up: "DragTastic NYC" (2011)**

Composer (additional music)  
Director Andrea Meyerson  
Logo Television Network

**SHORT FILM CREDITS**

**Drops (2017)**

Composer  
Director Sarah Joy Jungen  
GotFat Productions

**Vitaminamulch: Air Spectacular (2014)**

Composer  
Director Dan Abraham  
Disneytoon Studios

**Tinkerbell: Treasure Chest! (2014)**

Composer  
Director Bruce Smith  
Disneytoon Studios

**Tinkerbell: Aaargh! (2014)**

Composer  
Director Bruce Smith  
Disneytoon Studios

**Pixie Hollow Bake Off (2013)**

Composer  
Directed by Elliot M. Bour  
Disneytoon Studios

**Planes: Dusty Shorts (2013)**

Composer  
Director Bruce Smith  
Producers John Lasseter and Jan Hirota  
Disney

**Planes: El Chu (2013)**

Composer  
Director Bruce Smith  
Producers John Lasseter and Jan Hirota  
Disney

**Zombeo & Juliecula (2013)**

Composer  
Director Stev Elam  
Moonhill Productions

**Casey Jones (2011)**

Composer  
Director Polaris Banks  
Guiding Star Productions

**Pleiades (2011)**

Composer  
Director Angel Mario Huerta  
Huma Films Entertainment



**The Gadfly (2011)**

Composer  
Director Steve Elam

**Riding Hoods (2011)**

Composer  
Director Joanna Bowers

**Amber (2011)**

Composer  
Director Michael Scott Reese

**VIDEO GAME CREDITS**

**Project Resurgence (2018)**

Composer  
Produced by Robert Buchheit  
Nectar Game Studios

**Guns of Icarus Online (2012)**

Composer  
Directed by Howard Tsao  
Muse Games

**THEME PARK CREDITS**

**Disneyland and Disney World (2019)**

Composer  
Music for Oga's Cantina at Galaxy's Edge  
(Original Soundtrack for Cantina)