

Variety's 10 Artisans to Watch

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Variety will salute the inaugural 10 artisans to watch class of 2022 at SCAD Savannah Film Festival on Oct. 27.

Todd Banhazi



Cinematographer

"Winning Time: The Rise of the Lakers Dynasty"

Banhazl has pointed his lens across all types of media, with Emmy nominations and acclaim stemming from his work on Adam McKay's HBO series, "Winning Time: The Rise of the Lakers Dynasty."

Banhazl notched a nomination for single-camera series (one hour) and working on the second season of the basketball-focused comedic drama.

Banhazl has extensive credits in the music video world, lensing videos for the likes of Lorde, Janelle Monáe, Bruno Mars, A\$AP Rocky and the Smashing Pumpkins. He has also shot commercials for globally recognized brands.

"Movies have always been in my guts. I used to hum movie soundtracks and pretend I was in fantasy worlds as a kid, then I started drawing, then I discovered my parents' home video camera, and I never looked back," Banzhazl says of pursuing a career in cinematography. "I love collaborating with other artists, I love helping bring the best out of people, I love capturing lightning in a bottle on set, or more so creating the weather conditions for lighting to occur on set." – E.J. Panaligan

Reps: Robin Sheldon and Gregg Dallesandro, Artistry Agency

Influences: Diane Arbus, Nan Goldin and William Eggleston, and the original "Blade Runner"