



# Kevin Sharpley

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**Job Title:** President/CEO Kijik Multimedia-Co-Founder/COO  
Xavatar Ltd.

**Job Description:** Content creation and distribution

**Years at this company:** Kijik Multimedia-23 years – Xavatar Ltd-1.5 years

**Time it took to get where I am today:** 30 years

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## **Educational requirements:**

Bachelor's degree is helpful, especially in software development, but not necessary in many positions. Hard work, determination, self-guidance and tenacity are top requirements:

**Salary Range for this type of job:** \$35k to 7/8 figures salary

## *Advice on getting started and breaking into the industry*

Learn as much as you can about the area you want to go into and then learn as much as you can about the surrounding areas. Then learn about the world and constantly educate yourself. Along the way, work hard, collaborate, have a good attitude, be a team player, always look for something to do and always look for ways to move forward even if it's taking a step back. Never, never, never give up!

*Thank you for having me!*

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Kevin Sharpley is the president and CEO of [Kijik Multimedia Inc.](#) a full service multi-media and production company with specialties in integrated, branded and convergent media and development of in-house projects. He is also Executive Director of [CineVisun TransMedia](#) a non-profit organization that supports the independent film, media and entertainment industry. He is an award winning producer, writer, director and editor. Mr. Sharpley's range of work includes films, television, documentary, commercial, music video, multi-media and event video production. He is also co-founder of the popular podcast [Screen Heat Miami](#). In addition, he is an actor and well respected artist, having shown and performed his work in many exhibitions and shows.. Mr. Sharpley is the previous past Chairman of the Miami Dade County Film and Entertainment Advisory Board appointed by Miami-Dade County Commissioner Dennis C. Moss.

Mr. Sharpley holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Miami with a dual major in Communication-with a focus on motion pictures and Psychology in addition to an Associates of Arts degree from Miami Dade College. He was inducted into the Miami Dade College Hall of Fame in 2014. Kevin Sharpley is a Sundance Institute fellow after having his documentary "Purvis Young, Young Purvis" selected for the Sundance Miami story development workshop. He was asked to write an article about the experience by the Sundance Institute ([www.sundance.org/blogs/from-the-labs/ask-yourself-these-questions-when-developing-your-documentary](http://www.sundance.org/blogs/from-the-labs/ask-yourself-these-questions-when-developing-your-documentary)).

Mr. Sharpley has produced and directed many documentaries and television projects. The documentary "[Purvis Young, Young Purvis](#)" is currently under development after going through the Sundance Institute documentary story development workshop. Other projects include the documentary "[Sove Nou](#)" narrated by Danny Glover, featuring Wycleff Jean, "[Nou Sove](#)" which is currently under production featuring actor Jimmy Jean Louis from the hit shows "CLAWS" and "Heroes" and the films "Monster in Law" and "Tears of the Sun", "[Red Ribbon, White Party](#)", a documentary about the largest AIDS fundraiser in Florida featuring Billy Bean, Janice Dickinson, Carson Cressley, Junior Vasquez and Guinevere Turner, and "REJOICE!" featuring gospel superstars Kim Burrell, Jackie Clark, Ronald Winans and Mario Winans.

In the television realm the critically acclaimed, multi-platform series "[The Beach Chronicles](#)", of which the animated version was an official selection of [The Miami International Film Festival](#) and the Fort Myers Beach Film Festival is currently under development. The Beach Chronicles features Tommy Flanagan (Westworld, Sons of Anarchy, Sin City, Gladiator), Daryl Hannah, Michael Chiklis (American Horror Story; Freakshow, Fantastic Four, The Shield), JoMarie Payton (Family Matters) and [Jimmy Jean Louis](#) (from the hit TNT show CLAWS and the show "Heroes/Heroes Reborn" and the films "Joy", "Monster in Law" and "Tears of the Sun"). Other Kijik television projects in development include "[Playing as Locals](#)" featuring Arlene Tur ("Eat, Pray, Love" and the STARZ network shows "Torchwood" and "Crash") and "[Rollin](#)" about the largest car club in Florida.

The award winning animated film "The Incredibly Short Life Of Peter Panties" (the first in a mental health series) is currently on the festival circuit having been an official selection of sixteen prestigious festivals (including Slamdance Emergence), a finalist in two and having won six awards. In addition Mr. Sharpley is currently in production on the animated film "Above Ground" (the second in a series about mental health and abuse) and in post-production of the feature film "Deadly Night Out" serving as the director, one of the producers and as a co-production of his company Kijik Multimedia.

Kevin Sharpley has also supervised the production of numerous music videos, commercials, and films. These include the music video "[Here Comes the Hurricanes](#)" about the undefeated championship season of the Miami Hurricanes football team featuring multi-album platinum artists from Bone Thugs and Harmony and former NFL players Mike Rhump of the San Francisco 49ers and Nahjee Davenport of the Green Bay Packers. Mr. Sharpley's credits also include the music video "While We're Apart" featuring Grammy award winning artists Sly and Robbie; the Public Service Announcement "Walk to Fight" shown on affiliates for ABC, NBC, CBS, UPN, WB, Telemundo and Univision and the breakthrough short film and webisode series "Lifeline" featuring Marc Menard of "Gossip Girl", "Lost" and "All My Children, which has been developed for feature length.

In addition, Mr. Sharpley has overseen the production of numerous concert and event videos. Among the various concert and event video productions he has supervised are the Missy Elliot's Video Music Award after party hosted by Bacardi, the concert video for platinum recording artist Foxy Brown, and the US Air Force "Into the Blue" series.

Kevin Sharpley has been in the Film and Entertainment industry for over eighteen years and is a member of the Screen Actors Guild/AFTRA. As an actor he has been featured in the hit Fox Family series "[S Club 7](#)", the HBO promo "Tonight", the Verizon Commercial series "Can You Here Me Now" and in many other films, television shows, commercials and print campaigns (Macy's, Lens Crafters, Kohls, Aeropostle) throughout his career. He has also been profiled on the [PBS series "Art Street"](#) as a featured filmmaker, company owner, organization head and community organizer. In addition he has done public service announcements for the [PBS radio program NPR](#) and the [PBS member station WLRN](#). In addition Mr. Sharpley has designed, moderated and emceed many panels, workshops and seminars. This includes an [incredible youth workshop](#) for The American Black Film Festival for underserved children featuring Vivica A. Fox, Wendell Pierce and Ronald Lang. His long running panel "Producing In Florida And Beyond" has been featured at the Miami film Festival for ten

years featuring some of the top industry professionals such as Gregory Allen Howard (Harriet, Remember The Titans) multi-Grammy Award winning artist Jon Secada, top legal attorney David Bercuson and more.

Mr. Sharpley is also a respected artist, working in many disciplines. He was selected by the prestigious art organization "[The Miami Light Project](#)" (MLP) as a featured artist to work with visiting resident artist Keith Antar Mason and three of Miami's top artists, as a poet and performance artist. Together, along with Mr. Mason's ensemble artist group, they put on the critically acclaimed show "Fathers, Sons and Brothers" as one of MLP's monthly series. Mr. Sharpley was later selected as one of MLP's "Here and Now" showcase artists. His art work has also been shown in various exhibitions and showcases including the renowned show "All Gods Children Got Shoes" put on at the Miami Dade Cultural Center. The show featured some of the top artists from around the world and featured Mr. Sharpley's mixed media piece "Greener Grass (Golden Shoes Worn by Gods)". Mr. Sharpley's work "The Empowerment Project" showed for Art Basel 2010 in the renowned "Haiti Art Expo" with opening event hosted by Venus Williams, Jerry Powers, Welterweight Champion Andre Bretteo and Michael Capponi. In 2016 Mr. Sharpley revised his project "Greener Grass" for the Art Basel show Art Beat Miami.

Kevin Sharpley has traveled internationally as a model for prestigious agencies such as Wilhelmina, Ford, Major and Boss having lived in Europe, Africa and around the United States. Mr. Sharpley writes poetry, short stories, novels and scripts based on his travels and experiences. He commits much of his time to giving back to the community and mentoring youth based on his experiences from around world. He is currently in development of a community center to offer underserved youth after school and summer school programs in multi-media production.

#### **Boards/ Committees/ Appointments**

**The Film Connection-** Educator/Mentor/Teacher

[Miami Dade College-Alumni Hall of Fame inductee-2014](#)

[Miami-Dade County Film and Entertainment Advisory Board](#) - Recent Past Chairman of the Board /Chairman of the Community Building Committee/ Board Member

[Life Cubed-](#) Advisory Board member

[Miami Beach Cinematheque-](#) Advisory Board member

[Hollywood Unites for Haiti-](#) Advisory Board member

[University of Miami/ Launch Pad](#) - Venture Coach

[University of Miami Norton Herrick Center-](#) Advisory Board member

[Arts and Business Council of Miami-](#) former steering committee member

[Miami Light Project-](#) Film Workshop Moderator

[Miami International Film Festival-](#) Judge 2010-2021 Selection Committee 2011-2021, [Panel Organizer-Producing In Florida and Beyond; 2011-2021](#)

[Miami Web Fest-](#)Board Member, [Panel Moderator-Acting/Distribution](#)

[Wheaton Film Festival-](#)Judge 2017-2019, [Masterclass Presenter](#)

[West Palm Beach Student Film Showcase-](#)Judge 2016-2021, [Film Panelist-2020](#)

[Young Arts-](#) Judge 2009-/2012- [Cinematic Arts](#)

[International Emmys-](#) Judge- 2007, 2008

[Miami Short Film Festival-](#) Judge 2011- 2013

[The American Black Film Festival-](#) Panel Workshop Coordinator and Moderator (featuring Vivica Fox, Wendell Pierce)/ Industry Liason

[Hannibal Cox Grant Approval Committee-](#)2011-2014

[Miami Dade County Community Block Grant Committee-](#)2018-2020

[48 Hour Film Project-](#) Judge 2009, [Presenter-2019](#)