

Nicole Sylvester

by Jill Carter

Nicole Sylvester is the founder of [Autumn Rain Features](#), a production company based in Detroit, "dedicated to the spirit of independent filmmaking."

As a child, Nicole was fascinated with black literature and inspired by women writers such as Alice Walker. New York is where Nicole found her first real taste of filmmaking, working on low budget independent films. Detroit is where she made her debut film, *The Stop* and her follow up film, *Minor Blues*.

The road to Nicole's success hasn't come without effort and determination, "I just liked the idea of being an independent woman in charge of my own company... my goal is to produce and direct thought provoking dramas that also entertain."

Nicole realized early that it was imperative for her to control her own destiny and thus far she's moving in her desired direction, you will be able to see more of Nicole's work in *Layla's Girl* and *17000 Block*, two feature films that are currently in post production and due out in 2005.

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