

**Working Title:** "Looking Back at Me"

**Length of Film:** 00:25:50

**Description:** Sade Bolger is a talented 18-year-old musician from Vermont. Recently having come out as non-binary, this film is about Sadie in relation to their passion for music, their unapologetic authenticity, and their place in Vermont in a genuine endeavor to influence others and the future both online and in person

<https://www.youtube.com/user/sadiebolja>

**Director:** Alex Escaja

**Genre:** Narrative Documentary

**Setting:** Burlington area in Vermont. This includes local cafes, Sadie's home, the outdoors, etc. All depicting Vermont and the context Sadie lives in

**Personas:**

- Sadie Bolger
- [Family/Parents]
- [Friends]

**Crew:**

- George Coronel
- Zane Swift (maybe)
- Dima Lakoba (if really necessary)

- Max Kriff (again, if really necessary)

**Other People Involved:**

- TuyetNhi Nguyen as Behind the Scenes Photographer
- V-CAM for renting out equipment

**(Potential) Locations:**

- Lake Champlain
- Frozen pond
- Muddy Waters, cafe
- Church Street
- Sadie's home w/ family
- Waterfront
- Skinny pancake
- Red rocks park
- Skate park, even if unused
- Al's diner
- City bus

**(Potential) Nat Sound Breaks:**

- Maple sugaring (if in-season)
- Busking (if in-season)
- Hanging out with friends/family
- Performing somewhere, open-mic

# OUTLINE

BEGINNING - Introduction, setting and context

MIDDLE - Developing points introduced, climax → main point, enforcing statement(s)

END - Conclusion, reinforcing and rephrasing points, call for action

## **SECTION 1**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Topics to cover

Introduction of Sadie

Give context to film

Sadie describing/introducing non binary identities

Singing, musical career

Past, growing up in Vermont, positive

YouTube channel, social media

Leading Questions (if subject goes off topic, a-ok)

- What is your name, age, what are your pronouns?
- What are your hobbies, what do you like to do?
- What are some words you use to describe your identity?
- What is non-binary?
- What do you like about Vermont?
- What are some memories you have in Vermont?
- Why do you play music?
- How long have you been playing music?
- When did you start YouTube?
- What things make you happy?

## **SECTION 2**

### **DEVELOPMENT**

Topics to cover

Past, growing up in Vermont, the negatives

Any social statements regarding gender and the LGBTQ+ community

Critiques

Connecting passion for music and success to location

Connecting location to identity and community

Leading Questions

- What are your thoughts in gender, in general?
- What are some things you struggled with as a kid regarding gender/sexuality?
- How have you changed as a person once you came out?
- Is your family supportive? How did they react to you coming out?
- What are your thoughts on bathrooms?
- Why do you share your identity and thoughts so publically online? Why is it important to you?
- Do you ever worry about being to public with your identity? Do you get many negative comments?
- What would you say to people who don't understand or don't believe in non-binary identities?
- How has Vermont shaped interests, identity, friends, community, or opportunities you've had?
- Can you talk more about top surgery, why did you pursue it, why was it important to you? How do you feel now?

## **SECTION 3**

### **CONCLUSION**

Topics to cover

Future plans

Visions for an ideal world  
Call to action and advice  
Why this is important  
Reinforcing prior statements

Leading Questions:

- What advice would you give youth that are in the closet, or if they're struggling with their identity?
- How would you envision the future? What would be utopia?
- What are your own plans for the future?
- Original song as conclusion

## NOTES

- For soundtrack, Sadie could sing a song at every location we interview in
- Take any B-Roll spontaneously at locations. Some shots could include
  - Binary visuals (like bathrooms, men/women advertising)
  - Vermont landscapes
  - Clips of other non-binary identifying people
- Begin video with song, end video with song
- Nat sound breaks are important! Tell Sadie if there are any events or activities they'll be participating in