

# Laura Ziskin

(Film Producer)



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**Born In:** San Fernando Valley, California, United States

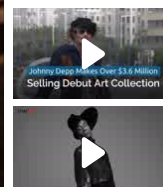
**Laura Ziskin** was an American film producer and writer, who had produced several movies such as 'What About Bob?', 'To Die For', and the popular 'Spider-Man' trilogy. Ziskin was born in the San Fernando Valley, California, to a Jewish family. She began her career writing for game shows, and soon became film producer Jon Peters' personal assistant. She soon became a development executive and worked in films such as 'A Star Is Born'. She was an associate producer of the mystery thriller film 'The Eyes of Laura Mars'. Few years later, along with Sally Field, she formed the production house Fogwood Films. The first film she produced under the company was 'Murphy's Romance'. Ziskin's first successful work was the 1990 romantic comedy film 'Pretty Woman', which starred Richard Gere and Julia Roberts. Ziskin also became the first woman ever to produce the Academy Awards telecast alone, at the 74th Academy Awards and the 79th Academy Awards in 2002 and 2007, respectively. She passed away at her home in Santa Monica, California, in June 2011 due to breast cancer.

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**Died At Age:** 61 ([//www.thefamouspeople.com/Died-At-61.Php](http://www.thefamouspeople.com/Died-At-61.Php))

### Family:

**Spouse/Ex-:** Alvin Sargent (M. 2010), Julian Barry (M. 1978 - Div. )

**Father:** Jay Ziskin

**Mother:** Elaine Edelman

**Children:** Julia Barry

**Born Country:** [United States](http://www.thefamouspeople.com/United_states.Php) ([//www.thefamouspeople.com/United\\_states.Php](http://www.thefamouspeople.com/United_states.Php))

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**Place Of Death:** Santa Monica, California, United States

**Cause Of Death:** Breast Cancer

**U.S. State:** [California](http://www.thefamouspeople.com/California.Php) ([//www.thefamouspeople.com/California.Php](http://www.thefamouspeople.com/California.Php))

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