

Amy Clarke

Writer

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Amy Clarke is a screenwriter originally from Lytham St Annes but raised in West Cork, Ireland. Since completing a master's degree in Scriptwriting at Goldsmiths University of London in 2018 she has gone on to write and make her debut short film, *Sequins*, following an ambitious teenager in 90's Blackpool who has his sights set on being a drag queen.

Sequins was backed by the Genera Film Fund and the Stefan Allesch-Taylor fund. Playing at twenty-four festivals worldwide including BAFTA qualifying Norwich Film Festival (UK), Oscar qualifying Edmonton Film Festival (Canada), and the renowned Inside Out LGBTQ+ Film Festival in Toronto, the film has received three awards for Best Short Film as well as a number of other nominations including Best Screenplay. It has been incredibly well received by both the LGBTQ+ community and mainstream audiences.

She has recently developed an original Irish comedy series and pilot script called *Down West*, which has gone through the first round of the 2021 Sundance Institute Episodic Lab. Amy has also had her work placed as a quarterfinalist both in the ScreenCraft Film Fund (2018) and the Scriptapalooza Screenplay competition (2019) with a feature film script.

She wrote two episodes of online lockdown comedy *Angry Quiz Guy* (starring Nick Helm) and co-created and wrote the pilot for Anglo American comedy-drama, *Love Fools* and is a co-writer for the entire season. She has also written a pilot script for a TV series adaptation of *Sequins*.

Amy is a member of the 2021 BFI Network x BAFTA Crew.

IN DEVELOPMENT

DOWN WEST
(co-creator & writer)

Irish sitcom that follows the life of a disgraced TV chef and family who are forced to uproot their privileged celebrity Dublin lives and relocate to a rundown house in West Cork when her already dwindling career becomes disastrously unrepairable.

SEQUINS
(creator & writer)

1hr x 8 TV comedy-drama based on her original award-winning short film.

LOVE FOOLS
(co-creator & writer)

1hr x 8 TV comedy-drama about negotiating the modern day trials and tribulations of love, lust and living in New York city. Attached as co-writer of all episodes with fellow creator, Michael Beddoes.

THE SUPPORTERS
(co-writer)

Sitcom. Three unlikely friends brought together for a love of a mediocre Sunday League football team negotiate life, love and heartbreak from the touchline. Co-writer with Michael Beddoes.

PASTA E PAELLA
(writer) 1hr dark comedy series. A married couple and their niece run a discreet Italian restaurant in the holiday trap of Los Christianos, Tenerife. But beyond business and day to day domestic situations they can never relax after they absconded from their native Napoli to avoid becoming part of their criminal family.

GUIDE TO BEING A GO(O)D PARENT
(co-writer) USA set 1hr x 8 comedy-drama. A Manhattan based couple have their lives turned upside down after the death of their two college friends, and the arrival of two small children into their care.

WITHOUT THE GRACE OF SAVAGES
(writer) 1960s period sitcom. A family of eight are driven from their home in Dublin and try to set up a new home in a former Mitchell & Butlers pub in the Black Country.

SHORT FILMS

SEQUINS
(writer) Short about a teenage wannabe drag queen set in Blackpool, 1997. Official Selection in 24 film festivals, including Oscar qualifying Edmonton and BAFTA qualifying Norwich. 3 Best Film wins and numerous nominations.

THE DATE
(co-writer) When introvert singleton Maddie is set up on a date by an overzealous colleague, she gets more than she bargained for.

MEDUSA'S MELTDOWN
(writer) A snarky modern take on a classic Greek myth. Produced by Goldsmiths University Film School.

TELEVISION

SNOWFLAKES
(writer – additional material) A non-broadcast pilot about a liberal minded volunteer who vies for a seat in a Conservative stronghold council.

ONLINE

ANGRY QUIZ GUY
(writer) Online sitcom shot in lockdown. Starring Nick Helm and created by Ben S. Hyland. Produced by Michael Beddoes. Writer of episodes 5 & 6.
