# Chris Welch

**Writer / Director** 



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Chris Welch is a writer, director, former stand-up comedian, and retired professional wrestler, having performed for over 12 years and appearing on international television in 2019. He has written, produced, and directed a number of live wrestling events.

In 2020 Chris's TV Mockumentary sitcom "Skin Cleaners" was optioned by All3Media, and in 2021 Chris was commissioned to write the pilot episode. Alongside Skin Cleaners, Chris was commissioned to co-write the pilot of a TV drama called "Bumped" with actor and creator Sophie Craig. Both projects are now looking for new development homes.

Chris has also worked with Tom Hopper (Umbrella Academy) and his wife, Laura (Love in The Villa – Netflix).

In 2023 Chris was asked to provide editing and coverage services for Sophie Craig's play "I love you, now what?" in preparation for a run at Edinburgh Fringe. The play received unanimous praise, with The Telegraph giving it 5 stars, as well as numerous other amazing reviews and nominations. Chris is very proud to be a small part of such an amazing piece.

Throughout 2022 and 2023 Chris's screenplays "MEE" and "Subbed" earned accolades in the competition space, with MEE earning finalist places as well as being in the top 5% of all screenplays received by the BBC. Both MEE and Subbed continue to be pitched to production companies, with fantastic feedback received by Mammoth (War of the Worlds, Poldark) and World (Line of Duty).

Chris has also become a senior member of a fantastic community of writers called Scribe Lounge, led by writer James Capel. Chris regularly hosts writing rooms, webinars, and script swap sessions with hundreds of writers.

Currently Chris is working on a TV Dystopian short story adaptation, a sports TV drama, and a musical based on "Skin Cleaners."

## IN DEVELOPMENT

#### **SKIN CLEANERS**

(writer/director)

TV mockumentary comedy in development.

## **TELEVISION**

### WRESTLING

(writer/director/producer)

From 2008-2018 Chris wrote, produced and directed a number of live wrestling shows throughout the UK, including those that were distributed via DVD and live Pay Per View.

#### **ONLINE**

**SKIN CLEANERS PILOT** (writer/producer/director) Concept episode.