

# Fergal Costello

Director



Fergal is a BAFTA-winning director from Carlow, Ireland (currently based in Dublin) who is particularly drawn to comedy, horror and material with a mixture of darkness and humour. He is currently in post-production on a new CBBC sci-fi sitcom series NOVA JONES, and before that he co-directed the winner of Best Short Programme BAFTA 2020 and Sunday Times Critics' Choice pick, Gbemisola Ikumelo's BRAIN IN GEAR. His comedy-horror short SOMETHING DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT was backed by Screen Ireland and has won multiple awards including Best Horror at LA Shorts International Film Festival. In 2019, he won the Emerging Directors' Award (Ireland) for Best Short Film for his sci-fi comedy LOST AND FOUND, and directed Channel 4 Comedy Blap THICK AS... He wrote, directed, produced and edited short horror film PREGNANCY TEST which was then picked up by Jason Blum and Eli Roth for their media platform, Crypt TV.

## Television

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| 2021    | NOVA JONES series 1<br>Director, 6 episodes<br>Sci-fi sitcom<br>Currently in post-production<br>CBBC  |
| 2020    | BRAIN IN GEAR<br>Co-director<br>BBC 2 Comedy Short<br>BBC Studios<br>Written by, starring and co-directed by Gbemisola Ikumelo<br>Executive Producers: Ben Caudell, Sam Ward<br>Producer: Inez Gordon<br><i>Winner of BAFTA 2020: Best Short Programme</i><br><i>Sunday Times Critics' Choice</i> |
| 2019    | THICK AS...<br>Director<br>Channel 4 Comedy Blap<br>BBC Studios<br>Written by Ciaran Bartlett, starring Chloe Hodgens and Tara Cush<br>Producer: Luke Mason   |
| 2014-16 | REPUBLIC OF TELLY<br>Writer/director/producer of viral sketches for IFTA award-winning TV series<br>RTE   |

## Short Film

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| 2019 | SOMETHING DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT<br>Director<br>Horror comedy<br>Written by Ged Murray<br>Producer: Fiona Kinsella<br>Jumper Productions, Screen Ireland<br><i>Best Horror at LA Shorts International Film Festival</i><br><i>Best Gonzo Short - Hollywood Horrorfest</i><br><i>Best Script - Maniac Film Festival</i><br><i>Best Editing and Best Score - Other Worlds, Austin.</i> |
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- 2018            LOST & FOUND  
Writer/director/producer  
Sci-fi comedy  
*Winner: EDA Best Short Film*
- 2018            STEPHANIE  
Produced by Claire Gormley and GERALYN COSTELLO  
Screened in Galway Film Fleadh 2019  
Called "Fucking Incredible" by C. Scott Cargill, writer of Marvel's Doctor Strange.  
Feature Film Screenplay optioned by Academy Award Nominated production company Fantastic  
Films.
- 2016            PREGNANCY TEST  
Writer/director/producer  
Horror  
Acquired by Jason Blum & Eli Roth for CRYPT TV platform  
Accrued over 1,000,000 hits in first ten hours online

### Music Video

- 2018            WAY TO LOVE  
Music video for folk rock band Brave Giant, went viral on release.  
*Winner: YDA for Best Music Video*
- 2017            THE TIME I MET THE DEVIL  
Music video for folk rock band Brave Giant, went viral on release.  
*Winner: Kinsale Shark awards, Best Director, Best Low Budget Music Video, Best New Irish Director*

### Commercials

- 2016            GAVISCON – HEARTBURN'S A KILLER!  
Writer/director/producer/editor  
*Winner: YDA Award*