

Kate Herron

Writer/Director

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Screen International Star of Tomorrow, Broadcast Hot Shot, Forbes 30 under 30, BBC Hot New Talent List.

2020-21	LOKI Miniseries	Director/EP – all episodes Marvel Studios / Disney+
2019	DAYBREAK Drama	Director – one episode Netflix US
2019	SEX EDUCATION Drama/comedy series	Director, episodes 5-8 Starring Gillian Anderson, Emma Mackey and Asa Butterfield Created by Laurie Nunn Eleven Film / Netflix Original

"Directors Ben Taylor and then Kate Herron craft rhythms in which a lewd-and-breezy joke about a boner or pubic grooming can lull you into easy laughter just in time for something emotionally devastating or impossibly sweet." - Hollywood Reporter

2019	MISS UNIVERSE Feature film In development	Co-writing with Briony Redman Producers: Dominic Buchanan (THE END OF THE F***ING WORLD) with Douglas Cox Developed to final round with Film London 'Microwave' with BBC Films / BFI
2017	FIVE BY FIVE Drama mini-series, shortform BBC iPlayer 2017 / Amazon Prime	Director, all five episodes Starring Idris Elba BBC Drama / Green Door Pictures for BBC Three

Sunday Critics Pick of the Week

"I was very impressed with the director, Kate Herron; she was great at working with actors." - Idris Elba

SISTER CAMP Original TV comedy series In development	Co-writer/creator (with Briony Redman) Shiny Button
TWIN THING Short film (Sky Arts Halloween Shorts) TX October 2017, Sky Arts	Director Starring Andi Osho Merman for Sky

Nominated for Best New TV Sitcom, British Comedy Guide Awards.

"This series of shorts have been created by a brilliant cohort of all female directors who are bringing something new, exciting and refreshing to the comedy line-up on Sky" - Jon Mountague, Head of Sky Comedy.

GREY DOGS Short film (Sky Arts Summer Shorts) TX June 2017, Sky Arts	Director Starring Ellie White and Vicki Pepperdine Produced by Adam Tandy George & George, Jantaculum, Creative England, Channel X for Sky
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Featured by Radio Times "Best TV to watch tonight"

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2016	GENTLEMAN78 Feature film In development	Co-written with Monica Heisey
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Script selected for final round in Sundance Writers Lab 2016

Short Films

The BFI held a retrospective of Kate's short films in 2017 with the BAFTA-Qualifying Underwire Film Festival. The event was called "Tentacles Are Included"

2017	SMEAR Launched online with The Big Issue	Writer/director Starring Sophia Di Martino (FLOWERS)
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Featured by Women and Hollywood, the BFI, British Comedy Guide, in Emerald Street "Vagina Week" and Short of the Week Vimeo Channel.

Screened at BFI London Film Festival, Encounters, Raindance, Underwire, Upsalla, Frightfest, Flickerfest.

"Very funny. Great work by a gifted group of filmmakers." -Paul Feig (BRIDESMAIDS)

2016	FAN GIRL	Director/Producer Written by Jessica and Henrietta Ashworth Starring Steve Oram
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Nominated Oscar-qualifying Grand Prix Prize Best Short, Encounters Film Festival

Nominated Oscar-qualifying Grand Prize Best Short, Flickers: Rhode Island International Film Festival

Nominated Best Comedy Short, BAFTA-Qualifying London Short Film Festival

Nominated Best Director, BAFTA-Qualifying London Short Film Festival

Nominated Best Director, BAFTA-Qualifying Underwire Film Festival

"Devilishly looks into the heart of a fan girl and a candle that never wavers that is until the cruel wind of reality blows it out..." - Directors Notes

2016	HEALEY'S HOUSE	Writer Co-written/directed by BIFA-winning director Rob Savage
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Winner Best UK Short, BAFTA-qualifying Raindance Film Festival

Nominated Oscar-qualifying Grand Prix Prize Best Short, Encounters Film Festival

2015	REST STOP Screened on Comedy Central Vimeo Staff Pick	Writer/director Co-written with Monica Heisey Starring Ben Willbond LOCO London Comedy Film Festival with Sky Comedy mentor scheme in association with Creative Skillset
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Winner Grand Prize Best Comedy Short, BAFTA & Oscar-Qualifying Flickers: Rhode Island International Film Festival

Nominated Oscar-qualifying Grand Prize Best Short, Flickers: Rhode Island International Film Festival

Nominated Best Director, BAFTA-Qualifying Underwire Film Festival

"Kate has consistently demonstrated a gift for working with talent that is further evolved than many of the veteran comedy directors I work with in Broadcast Television... She's going to be a huge comedy voice in the years to come"
- Ben Boyer, former Commissioning Editor at Sky Comedy

2014	VALENTINE Screened on Comedy Central	Writer/director Written with and starring Beattie Edmondson, Rose Johnson & Camille Ucan of "Lady Garden" and "Birthday Girls"
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Festival screenings include Palm Springs Shorts fest, Flickerfest, London Short Film Festival, Raindance, Underwire

Nominated Best Comedy, BAFTA-qualifying Aesthetica Film Festival

2018: Featured in "Favourite Films from past 8 years" by Aesthetica Film Festival

Nominated LOCO Discovery Award at London Comedy Film Festival

*Featured twice on International Women's Day: in The Londonist and screening before Birdman at Everyman Cinema.
Picked by Bechdel Test Fest & Little White Lies to screen with their showing of Lena Dunham's Tiny Furniture
Film of the Week at Hunger Magazine
Film of the Week at Awardeo TV*

"A perfect film" – Lisa Albert (Mad Men, writer and producer)

2012	KILL LIST THE MUSICAL	Writer/director Starring Gus Brown, Sarah Louise Young and cast members of the Olivier winning SHOWSTOPPERS! THE IMPROVISED MUSICAL
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*Finalist in the Film4 Scene Stealers Competition.
Screenings include Raindance Film Festival.
Featured by Empire Movie Magazine and Directors Notes.*

"As huge fans of KILL LIST (and Wheatley's work in general), Herron knew just how to grab our attention" – Directors Notes

2012	RUN TOWARDS THEM	Writer/director Cast includes David Reed of sketch group 'The Penny Dreadfuls' and Tom Bell (HBO Project Greenlight)
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"Literally rapturous" – Anton Bitel, Sight and Sound

2011	OPEN HOUSE	Writer/director Made for the Smoke and Mirrors 48-hour Film Challenge in 2011 with the cast of award-winning Canadian improv show "Monkey Toast".
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*Hunger Magazine's Film of the Week
Winner: Shooting People's Film of the Month, picked by Robin Gutch (Head of Warp Films)*

*"Funny and entertaining" – Raindance Film Festival
"Funny and dynamic" – Hunger Magazine
"Nothing short of brilliant. Strong on character, a riveting plot, and packed full of laughs with a perfect twist" – Simon London, former BBC Creative Head of Comedy*

Film labs

Wellcome Trust's Write to Research Lab 2016
Lab for Comedy Screenwriters and Scientists, run by Wellcome Trust with Edinburgh International Film Festival.

Edinburgh International Talent Lab film, 2015
Selected for the Edinburgh Film Festival's feature film and project development scheme.

Think-Shoot-Distribute film lab, 2013
One of 25 filmmakers selected for the 57th BFI London Film Festival feature film and project development scheme.

Live Comedy

Producer and Creator of LIVEWIRE for Underwire Film Festival, 2013, 2012
Live comedy and film night for BAFTA-qualifying Underwire Film Festival & LOCO London Comedy Film Festival, celebrating funny women in front and behind the camera. The night sold-out in advance on both occasions. It featured films by Destiny Eskagara, Alice Lowe (Sightseers) and live comedy including Isy Suttie (Peep Show) and Cariad Lloyd (The Cariad Show).

Other Accolades

2018 Little White Lies Next Generation of Genre Filmmakers
2017 Forbes 30 under 30 Europe

2017 Broadcast Hot Shot
2017 BBC Hot New Talent List
2016 Screen International Star of Tomorrow

Training

Long Form Improvisation: The Harold and Advanced Harold at Free Association 2016
"The UK has an equivalent to the professionalised improv of Chicago's Second City or Upright Citizens Brigade, the FA are it" - FEST magazine

Long Form Improvisation: The Harold at Monkey Toast 2013
Taught by Second City alumni David Shore, Monkey Toast.

Introduction to Meisner Acting Technique for Directors 2013
Directors Guild, UK

Acting: Text One & Two, 2013
Central School of Speech and Drama

University for the Creative Arts at Farnham, 2006-2009
BA (hons) FILM PRODUCTION: 2:1

Organisations

One of the founding members of directing collective Cinesisters
<http://www.cinesisters.com/>