

## CHARLIE COOMBES

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I am a London based Development AP focusing on comedy and comedy drama. I have a wide base of experience, strong relationships with exciting talent and excellent contacts throughout the TV, film, theatre and literary industries.

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### Employment History

#### July 2014- Nov 2014 BBC Drama Development

I am currently coming to the end of a stint at BBC Drama working with the department and the Writers Room to bring in new writing talent to work on original ideas as well as writers for all of the continuing dramas. I have helped to coordinate shadow schemes for shows such as Casualty and Holby City and read hundreds of submissions from potential writers.

#### Aug 2012-March 2014 BBC Comedy Development

Starting as assistant to Saurabh Kakkar I moved on to be the Development Assistant and then an AP/Development AP. During my time in Comedy I helped to overhaul the development system, assist with getting shows such as Crims (BBC3) commissioned, gave notes on projects in development, contributed to targeted development and writers room sessions, kept everyone up to date on new talent coming through from theatre, film, books and abroad, undertook research projects for various shows in development, run castings, read-throughs and curated weekly lunchtime screenings of new US and UK shows. My biggest achievement whilst there was creating strong, fruitful and useful links with literary agents that the department had failed to obtain before. I did a major trawl of book rights looking for potential adaptations and the department now has a number of those projects in development.

#### May 2012- Aug 2012- Prod/Script Sec at Big Talk Productions on 'The Town'

#### April 2012- May 2012- Prod Sec at Wall to Wall on 'Goodnight Britain'

#### Oct 2011-Mar 2012- Prod Sec at Leopard Films on 'Robbed, Raided, Reunited'

#### May 2011- Aug 2011- Office Assistant at Tidy Productions

I worked across all of Tidy's projects, ('Stella'- for Sky1, 'What's the Story?'- a weekly topical comedy panel show for BBC Radio Wales & a series a seasonal chat shows)as well as working on the development of future projects (reading new scripts and giving notes to the execs, talent scouting).

#### May 2010- May 2011- Production Assistant on 'Doctor Who' Series 6

#### April 2008- May 2010

Various Film and TV runner and 3rd AD jobs including Gavin and Stacey and Harry Potter.

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### Relevant experience and qualifications

.Proficient in Final Draft and Screenwriter, basic FCP & Avid skills. Self Shooter on XF305 & 5D.

Award winning short film writer currently working on a few projects in my spare time.

**Qualifications:** 2 A levels & 2 AS levels, 15 GCSE's A\*to C grades

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### References (More available upon request)

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