

Agent: Sofie Mason

Tiarnan O'Sullivan

Writer/Director

Originally from Tipperary, Ireland, Tiarnan's love of storytelling was shaped in the corners of dark pubs and on the greens of his local golf course, while listening to garrulous old men sharing more details about their lives than any teenager needs to know.

Now in his thirties, Tiarnan has been writing profusely, finding his voice through comedy as dark as Mike White but mixed with the heart and humour of Martin McDonagh and the irreverence of Chris Morris.

His work has toured festivals in the UK, Ireland and internationally - with short films such as LAID TO REST and SLEEPER CELL garnering praise and award nominations along the way. His debut feature film PLAYING DEAD follows the rise and fall of an identity thief who finds he has stolen the wrong man's life.

Tiarnan has also been working consistently since 2013 honing his writing, directing, camera and editing skills as a Filmmaking Tutor at several of London's top film schools. Through his own projects, he has also worked with a wide range of prominent actors and crew - including Sir Ian McKellan, Ray Winstone, Paul Reiser, Omid Djalili, Adrian Dunbar and Pat Laffan – and was selected for the Director's UK INSPIRE scheme to work with Director Jim O'Hanlon (Catastrophe, The Punisher) as 2nd Unit Director for Apple TV / BBC Comedy series TRYING starring Rafe Spall, Esther Smith & Imelda Staunton.

Showreel: www.tiarnanosullivan.com

Writing / Directing Credits:

Laid To Rest

Writer/Director

Short Film

Dark comedy short where a father and son accidentally kill a burglar and contrive to bury the body in the last place anyone would look. Nominated for several awards across festivals in the UK, Ireland and internationally.

Sleeper Cell

Writer/Director

Short Film

Dark comedy short where police search for a terrorist suspect while a hungover party-girl wakes with a mysterious one-night stand in her bed. Nominated for several awards across festivals in the UK and Ireland.

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To The Grave **Writer** **TV Series**
Eight-part dark drama series on the rise of technology, previously optioned by *Escape Films*.

Thesps **Writer/Director** **Web Series**
Comedy web-series starring comedian Mark Watson following the lives of five aspiring actors.

Trying **2nd Unit Director** **TV Series**
2nd Unit Director for Apple TV / BBC Comedy series starring Rafe Spall, Esther Smith & Imelda Staunton.

Playing Dead **Director** **Feature Film**
Debut dark comedy feature film following the story of an identity thief who steals the wrong man's life.

Amazing World of Charlie **Director** **TV Series**
Dark comedy TV Pilot starring Paul Reiser and Omid Djalili, following the life of a depressed dog.

Grassy Noel **Director** **TV Series**
Comedy pilot starring Adrian Dunbar as an Irish farmer who uncovers the truth about the JFK assassination.

Clapped Out **Director** **TV Series**
Comedy pilot with Omid Djalili and Owen O'Neill following the highs and lows of life as a comedian.

Take the Lead **Director** **TV Series**
Comedy pilot following the lifestyle of a young Premier League footballer and his entourage.

Saving CACA **Director** **TV Series**
Mockumentary following a struggling drama school starring Sylvester McCoy and Sir Ian McKellen.

Almost **Writer** **Short Film**
Dark comedy script that reached the final 100 of the *50 Kisses* script writing competition.

Collection of short films **Writer/Director** **Short Film**
Writer and director of several other short films and mockumentaries.

Omid Djalili Live **Director** **Live Event**
Live multi-camera filming of comedian Omid Djalili performing at the Hammersmith Apollo

Other Relevant Experience:

Filmmaking Tutor **MET / Central Film School / LFA 2013 - Present**
Tutor at a variety of film schools - teaching directing, writing, camera skills, editing (Adobe & Final Cut), sound recording, how to work with actors and visual storytelling.

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Head Filmmaker **Youthnet / The Mix** **Sept 2015 – Oct 2016**
Along with writing and directing video content for the charity I was also in charge of running the charity's Youtube channel, which I grew to over 5 million views and over 10,000 subscribers.

EPK Director **We Are Colony** **Jan 2015 – Oct 2015**
Digital content manager and *Behind-the-scenes Director* for a new VOD platform for independent films.

VFX Cam Operator **Star Wars: The Force Awakens** **Sep 2014 - Oct 2014**
VFX Reference camera operator for "The Imaginarium" VFX team.

Development Assistant **Hammer Horror** **June 2014 - July 2014**
Tasks included reading submissions, writing reports and making script recommendations.

Content Manager **Mediacontact.ie** **Jan 2009 - Dec 2010**
Creating content - both through video and written articles - for popular online media database.

Education:

Filmmaking Degree **Met Film School, London** **2011 - 2013**
Graduated November 2013. 1st Class Honours. Modules including Craft Skills, Editing, Digital Fiction Production, Short/Feature Film Production, Advanced Screenwriting, Directing Actors.

Business Studies Degree **University of Limerick, Ireland** **2007 - 2010**
Graduated September 2010. 2:1, Majoring in Marketing and Entrepreneurship. Modules included Marketing, Branding, Entrepreneurship, Accounting, International Management and a one-year work placement.

Skills:

- Selected for the Director's UK's prestigious year-long "Inspire" scheme.
 - Also shadowed on *Eastenders* and a variety of other Film and TV sets.
 - Multi-camera experience from directing live events and "Trying".
 - Skilled in Adobe Premiere, Final Cut, Movie Magic, Microsoft Word, Excel and Powerpoint.
 - Experience of working on "Virtual Production" sets.
 - A working knowledge of French and Portuguese
 - Skilled photographer
 - Host and creator of popular podcast – "There's A Film in That"
 - Full Driver's license
 - First Aid trained
 - DBS/CRB Approved
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