

# **Ailíse James**

# Film & TV Industry Professional

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#### **EDUCATION**

University College Dublin MA Film Studies – Film Theory and Production (2005 – 2006)

National University of Ireland Cork BA European Studies and French (1998 – 2002)

#### **KEY SKILLS**

- Contract negotiation & drafting
- Practical & business communication skills
- Experience in commercial & production environment
- Proactive, energetic & able to work with minimal supervision in a team environment
- Well organised and able to handle multiple tasks and priorities
- Close business in line with company targets
- Attention to detail

## **PROFILE**

An experienced Film & Television professional who has worked in Ireland and Internationally across Theatrical Film Distribution, Film Exhibition, TV & Film Productions, and most recently as part of the Business Affairs team for Independent TV & Film Distributor Beyond Rights Limited.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Beyond Rights Limited**

Contract Manager - Business Affairs (December 2018 - March 2023)

Working closely with a broad range of International Licensees (agents and or/broadcasters) and Producers as well as all Beyond staff including Acquisitions, Legal, Finance, Operations, and Sales based in Australia, the UK and Ireland.

- Draft, review and negotiate contracts on client paperwork and draft Beyond agreements.
- Manage the contracts process ensuring a quick turnaround from draft to signature.
- Provide reporting to management on contracts closing.
- Close business in line with company targets.
- Commercial awareness of European and International markets.
- Client and customer service and liaison.
- Manage and upkeep of rights management system.
- Responsible for final signature on all Irish Sales Agreements.

# Film & Television Production (Various - See Page 2)

Contract Coordinator | Production Coordinator | Assistant Production Coordinator | Production Secretary (June 2012 – December 2018)

Supported the production department to ensure smooth running of the production from prep through to filming and wrap. This role was very varied and required a high level of time management, organization and interpersonal skills. Worked on the following productions: *Quantico, Supervized, Tommy's Honour, Penny Dreadful, Taken Down, I Kill Giants, The Rhythm Section* and *Black 47*.

- Managed the contracts process ensuring a quick turnaround from draft to signature.
- Liaised with all departments and legal to ensure upkeep of all insurance requirements.
- Promptly kept the production informed of any changes to schedule, script, contacts, etc.
- Respected budgets as directed by the producers.
- Reported to the producers as required.
- Carefully looked after all travel and accommodation requirements.

#### **Paramount Pictures New Zealand**

Marketing Executive (September 2008 - April 2011)

Worked under the supervision of the Marketing Manager to deliver effective and efficient Promotion, Publicity and Advertising campaigns in the New Zealand territory across a broad range of films not limited to but including: Robin Hood, Fast and Furious, Hop, Bruno, Up in the Air and Shrek Forever After.

- Liaised with local press to maximise exposure and reach the target audience for each specific campaign.
- Booked press, radio and print campaigns as per the advertising budget.
- Ensured partner promotional terms and conditions left no room for error or interpretation.
- Negotiated promotional opportunities with third parties.
- Advised and approved audiovisual and print materials in line with studio guidelines.

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# **Production Experience**

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## PRODUCTION EXPERIENCE

PRODUCTION COORDINATOR

May '18 – Sept '18 **Taken Down** RTÉ

(TV Series) Production Manager: Catherine Dunne

**PRODUCTION CONTRACTS** 

Oct. '18 - Jan. '19

Battle At Big Rock

Wild Atlantic Pictures & Universal

(Jurassic World short) Production Manager: Donna Eperon

Mar. '18 - Apr. '18 Quantico Series 3 ABC Television Network

(TV Series) Production Manager: Donna Eperon

**ASSISTANT PRODUCTION COORDINATOR** 

Aug '17 - Mar.'18

The Rhythm Section
(Feature Film)

EON Productions & Four Provinces Films
Production Manager: Patrick O'Donoghue

May '17 - July '17 Supervized Merlin Films
(Feature Film) Production Manager: Patrick O'Donoghue

Nov. '16 - Dec. '16 Black 47 Fastnet Films & Samsa Film

(Feature Film) Production Manager: Jo Homewood (LUXEMBOURG UNIT)

(Feature Film) Production Manager: Donna Eperon

Mar. '16 - June '16 Dawn MGM Television & Hulu

(TV Series Pilot) Line Producer: Cait Collins

Feb. '16 - Mar. '16 Reign CBS Television Studios & Parallel Films (TV Series) Production Manager: Catherine Dunne

Aug. '15 - Sept. '15 Tommy's Honour Gutta Percha Productions Ltd & Wind Chill Media

(Feature Film) Line Producer: Victoria Dabbs (SCOTLAND)

Mar. '15 - Aug. '15 Little Grey Fergie (1, 2, 3) Ripple World Pictures & Cinenord Kidstory

(Feature films) Production Manager: Anna O'Malley

Oct. '14 - Nov. '14 The Witness Samson Films, MP Filmska produkcija & Pirej Film

(Feature film) Production Manager: John Wallace

Aug. '14 - Oct. '14 My Name Is Emily Newgrange Pictures & Kennedy Films (Feature film) Production Manager: Des Martin

ACCOMMODATION COORDINATOR

June ' 13 - Aug '14 Penny Dreadful Showtime Network, Sky TV & Octagon Films

(TV Series - Season 1 & 2) Production Manager: Stephen Burt