

JAMES DUNNISON

DGC #6100. WGC #XG20-00075.

Select credits as WRITER/PRODUCER/DIRECTOR:

- The trilogy of short films: **BITS AND PIECES** (2021), **CLOCK BLOCKING** (2023) and **MY ANNOYING DREAM LIFE** (2023).
- **QUICK BITE OF THE CITY OF LIGHT** (2020), an immersive 360-degree short.
- **I'M FINE** (2020), a short drama. *Award of Excellence*, Los Angeles One-Reeler Film Festival.
- **STUFF** (2000), a feature comedy-horror-fantasy.
- **ORGAN MUSIC** (2001), a short comedy-fantasy-drama. Voted *Best Film*, *Best Actress* and *Best Director* by the Film Critics Circle at the 2001 Northwest Film Festival.

Select credits as DIRECTOR:

- **TAKE NOTE**: 3 episodes of Season 1, NBC Universal/Peacock (2022).
- **CARTER**: 2 episodes of Season 1, Sony Studios/CTV (2018).
- **BITTEN**: 8 episodes, Seasons 1, 2 and 3. SyFy/CTV/eOne (2013-2016).
- **THE LISTENER**: 1 episode, Season 5. Fox International/CTV (2014).
- **SATISFACTION**: Lead director, Season 1. 2 episodes. CTV (2013).
- **SEED**: 8 episodes, Seasons 1 and 2. Rogers/City (2012-2013).
- **ARCTIC AIR**: 2 episodes, Season 1. CBC (2012).
- **LOST GIRL**: 1 episode, Season 2. NBC Universal/Showcase (2012).
- **LESS THAN KIND**: 14 episodes over the 4-season run (2007-2012). HBO Canada. Dunnison won a *Canadian Comedy Award for Best Direction in a Television Series* for the episode "First Nighters" and was nominated for two *Directors Guild of Canada Awards* and two *Gemini Awards for Best Direction in a Comedy Series* for the show. Season 2 won the 2010 *Gemini Award for Best Comedy Series*. Season 3 won the 2012 *Canadian Screen Award for Best Comedy Series*.
- **TODD AND THE BOOK OF PURE EVIL**: The 2009 pilot for the Fearnert/CTV/Space series, which greenlit the production and was nominated for a *Rockie Award for Best Pilot* at the Banff World Television Festival. Dunnison directed 6 additional episodes and was nominated for a 2011 *Gemini Award* for his direction of the episode "Phantom of Crowley High", which also won a *Golden Sheaf Award for Best Comedy*.
- **HICCUPS**: Multiple episodes of Seasons 1 and 2 (2009-2010). Dunnison won a *Leo Award for Best Direction* for his episode "Hot Luv." CTV/The Comedy Network.
- **WALK THE DOG**: Nominated for *Best Direction – Film* at the 2008 Canadian Comedy Awards.

- **ROBSON ARMS:** Multiple episodes over all 3 seasons (2004-2007) – including the season premiere for Season 3 (“Mean Girls”), which was nominated for a 2008 *Directors Guild of Canada Award*. CTV.
- **BLOOD TIES:** 4 episodes, Seasons 1 and 2 (2006-2007), including the Season 1 finale. Lifetime/CHUM City.
- **GODIVA’S:** 2 episodes, Season 2 (2005). Dunnison was nominated for a *Director’s Guild of Canada Award* for his episode “Out the Door.” CityTV.
- **RAGE** (2004). Received the highest ratings for a one-hour documentary in Global Television’s history.
- **CALL ME AVERAGE** (2004). Winner of a *Special Jury Award* at the 2005 Yorkton International Film Festival, *Honorable Mention* at the 2004 Columbus International Film Festival and the 2005 *Leo Award for Best Documentary*. CBC.
- **PRETTY BOYS** (2002). A documentary that gets into the hilariously conflicted brains of male models in Milan, Italy. Top of the “critics’ picks” list at the 2002 Vancouver International Film Festival. Make Believe Media, CTV.
- **CRACK DOLL HOUSE** (2001), all 6 episodes of the series for CTV/The Comedy Network. A commission based on Dunnison’s original short comedy which won the *Grand Prize* by unanimous jury decision at the 1998 Cabbagetown International Short Film Festival.

Select credits as **WRITER/DIRECTOR:**

- **CELLULOID DREAMS** (2002), a documentary on “dream logic” in the movies, featuring exclusive interviews with David Lynch, Guy Maddin and Jean-Pierre Jeunet. Independent Film Channel, Paperny Films.
- **POWERFUL LOVE** (1996), a short film and pool of TV commercials which were broadcast on every national Canadian broadcaster on World AIDS Day, 1996, and went on to win the *General Idea Award for Artistic Contribution to AIDS Awareness*.

IN DEVELOPMENT:

- **FLIP** (comedy-drama, TV series), as creator/producer/director.
- **BITCHIN’** (comedy, feature film), as writer/producer/director.
- **LIPKO PARK** (murder mystery, limited TV series), as creator/producer/director.
- **DISCIPLINE** (limited TV series), as co-writer/producer/director. Based on the true story of aberrant psychiatrist Dr. James Tyhurst.