

SAMUEL GARZA BERNSTEIN

screenwriter | author | playwright

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FILM & TELEVISION

AFTER FOREVER (TV series, Co-Showrunner/Co-EP) Amazon, 2023 (winner of 6 Emmy Awards)
SHINE (film; writer) Omar Mortaza, Standing Bear Productions, 2021
EDGE OF VIOLENCE (TV unscripted; writer-co-creator) Lou Reda Films/J.S.J. Ent. Group, 2020
ELEPHANT & CASTLE (film; writer) Joan Lane/Bill Chamberlain, Wild Thyme UK, 2019
MIRACLE ON A STRING (film; writer) Astute Films/Dominique Telson, 2018
SHIMMER & SHINE (TV; freelance writer) Nickelodeon Productions, 2017
SOUTHAMPTON SOCIAL (TV unscripted; writer-co-creator, sizzle reel) New Wave Ent., 2014
FAT CHANCE (TV unscripted; writer-co-creator, series proposal/sizzle reel) Left/Right, 2013
MICHAEL LEE PROJECT (TV unscripted; writer-co-creator, series proposal/sizzle reel) RME, 2013
J.B. (film; writer) Last Bastion Entertainment, 2011
SARGE (TV unscripted; director, writer-co-creator, sizzle) Babyhead Productions, 2010
LULU (film; writer) Abandon Entertainment, 2009
W.I.T.C.H. (TV; story editor) ABC/Disney, 2005-2007
JUDGING AMY (TV; staff writer) CBS/20th Century Fox Television, 2005
WOOLLY BULLY (film; writer) optioned by David Kirschner Productions, 2004
BOBBIE'S GIRL (film; writer/co-producer) Paramount, Showtime, 2002
KEEPING KEVIN (film; writer) Jon Turtle Prods., Showtime, 2001
SILENT LIES (film; writer/producer) Behaviour Worldwide, 1998

BOOKS

WWJD: What Would Joan Crawford Do? (non-fiction) Applause Books 2024
JOKER'S WILD: The Cesar Romero Story (non-fiction) University Press of Kentucky 2024
LULU (fiction)
MR. CONFIDENTIAL (non-fiction)
UNCOMMON HEROES (non-fiction)

THEATER

MR. CONFIDENTIAL (book/lyrics-director) Actors Theatre of Indiana 2023
THE SECRET WORLD OF DANNY LOPEZ (solo stage show as actor/playwright) Two Roads, 2021
IF YOU ARE READING THIS Pacific Resident Theatre, 2019 (prod) New Jersey Rep, 2016 (readings)
MR. CONFIDENTIAL (book/lyrics) NYMF, Alice Griffin Theatre at Signature Center, 2014 (developmental production) York Theatre Company, NYC, 2013 (staged reading)
21-A (director) Palange Fine Arts Center, LA, 1996 (prod)
LOVE SONGS (playwright, performer) NADA Studios, NY, 1995 (prod)
THE LIQUIDATION OF GRANNY PETERMAN (playwright) Actors Company, LA 1992 (prod)

AWARDS

THE SECRET WORLD OF DANNY LOPEZ: 2019 NY Film Awards Best Screenplay, LA Film Awards Best Comedy Screenplay; 2018 WGA Inclusion and Equity Honoree; 2018 Nominee Best Pilot Script, Content London International Drama Summit
ELEPHANT & CASTLE: 2019 NY International Screenplay Award Winner; Best Original Screenplay, London Independent Film Awards, Special Commendation, British Independent Film Festival
BOBBIE'S GIRL: GLAAD Nominee Best Television Film; Emmy Nomination Bernadette Peters; Advocate Top Ten Television Events of the Year
LULU: eLit Silver Medal; Finalist: Int'l Book Award; Finalist: Next Generation Indie Award
SILENT LIES: Houston Int'l Film Festival Gold; Charleston International Film Festival Silver
MR. CONFIDENTIAL: (book) Hermes Best Non-Fiction; Foreword Book of the Year Finalist
MR. CONFIDENTIAL: (stage musical) Anna Sosenko Trust Grant; NYMF Individual Performance
UNCOMMON HEROES: American Library Association Stonewall Book Award