

SAMANTHA MORRISH

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Samantha Morrish is an actor, writer and comedian. This year, Comedy Network Live (US Instagram Page) featured her as Comedian of the Day among in their words 'some of the funniest comedians'. Recent acting credits include, Film4's feature 'How To Build A Girl' (Dir. Coky Giedroyc) and the Ministry of Stories' & BBC History's Comedy Sketch project (Dir. Gem Carmella). She has appeared in several national and international advertising campaigns. Samantha's short #WhenYouHitRothbottom (co-writer, co-producer, actor) was screened at LOCO London Comedy Film Festival last year. Her writing has also been published in the Journal of New Zealand Literature, the Modernist Archives Publishing Project and performed on stage. She makes entertaining videos about wellbeing and creativity for Instagram (@samanthamorrishishere) and YouTube.

#### **WRITING AND ACADEMIC EDUCATION**

2015 MRes (Distinction) Modern and Contemporary Writing, University of Reading.

#### **ACTING AND COMEDY TRAINING**

2016 - 2019 Improv Comedy, Levels 1 - 4, The Free Association.

2017 - 2018 The London School of Screen Acting.

2006 Company Training Course, The National Youth Theatre of Great Britain.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

For Acting CV please see Spotlight: <https://www.spotlight.com/interactive/cv/2455-9086-0617> / [www.samanthamorrish.com](http://www.samanthamorrish.com)

2016 Programme director, Reading Literature Festival, University of Reading.

2015 Researcher and writer, Modernist Archives Publishing Project (MAPP).

#### **THEATRE PRODUCTIONS (WRITER AND ACTOR)**

2017 *Where's your badge?*, Sky or the Bird, dir. Kasia Różycki, Hackney Attic at Hackney Picture House.

#### **SHORT FILM:**

2020 *ID, Please*, Writer, Director, Producer, Actor (*In post-production*).

2019 #WhenYouHitRothbottom, Co-writer, Co-Producer, Actor, Screened at LOCO London Comedy Film Festival in the Comedy Crowd TV Section.

#### **ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS**

2018 'Fleur Adcock and the Group: "It would not be true to say she was doing nothing"' is published in The Journal of New Zealand Literature: <https://www.jstor.org/stable/e26558863> (No. 36.1, 2018)

2015 Mini-biography of Ruth Manning-Sanders, Modernist Archives Publishing Project (MAPP) (Online at <http://www.modernistarchives.com/person/ruth-manning-sanders>).

#### **AWARDS**

2020 Shortlisted for the Shooting People's New Shoots: Actor's Competition. The winner was selected at random.

2015 Study Bursary for MRes, Postgraduate Solutions (£500).

2015 Bursary, Samuel Beckett Summer School Theatre Lab at Trinity College Dublin, University of Reading (Fees and Travel).

