Lauren Crace

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I am a Researcher working in Factual Entertainment.

I am a creative, spirited, and people-focused person who loves to be part of a team.

TV PRODUCTION

 Assistant Producer - Hargreaves Lansdown commercial - Gray Media (May/June 2024)

Skills: Organising vox-popping shoots across Bristol, Manchester and Birmingham. Location scouting, sourcing location permits for private and council land, generating contributor release forms, call-sheets and risk assessments.

• Development Researcher - Common Story

(July/August 2023)

I worked alongside the founders at Common Story who were part of the C4 Indie Growth Fund where we worked in development on numerous television series.

Skills: Research and Development, Pitch Development, Proposal writing, Pitch-deck creation, Contributor casting.

• Junior Production Assistant - I Can Do It, You Can Too - Cheebies - Common Story (May 2023)

Celebrating the power of peer to peer interactions, this new series sees dynamic kids pass on their awe-inspiring abilities to other young beginners.

Skills: Contributor casting, Location background checks, Contributor background checks, Travel and accommodation bookings, Negotiating with external suppliers, Generating and distributing call-sheets, Talent liaison, working within the Albert certification.

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(April/May 2023)

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Skills: Research and Development, Pitch Development, Proposal writing, Pitch-deck creation, Contributor casting.

FILM

• **Development Producer** - Cusp Films

(2023-Present)

After the success of Cusp Films most recent short film *The One Note Man*, which received numerous awards from film festivals across the world, including being longlisted in the 2024 BAFTAS and shortlisted for the 2024 Academy Awards, I am currently working freelance helping to develop their slate of feature film and scripted TV projects.

RADIO

- Morning Breakfast Show Host and Producer FreeRadio Birmingham Bauer Media (2018-2020)
- Reluctant Adults Podcast Host and Producer Podcast (2020-2021)
 - City Of Sounds Commonwealth Games Host and Researcher- Greatest Hits Radio -Bauer Media

(2022)

My time working in Radio ignited a passion for creating and producing topical, often sensitive, but engaging content. Researching subjects, as well as sourcing and managing contributors, was a key and hugely enjoyable part of the role. I pride myself on being organised, calm under pressure, with a positive and can-do attitude.

Skills: Content Creation, Storylining, Writing scripts, Development, Research, Contributor casting, Team management, Operating the desk - Dalet radio Playout system, Interview Skills, Editing Audio/Scripts, Verbal Communication, Time Management, Trouble-shooting.

ACTING

I have appeared in numerous TV, Theatre and Radio Dramas over my 15 year career. Some highlights include: *Phoenix Rise - series 1,2,3 and 4* (BBC), *Mr Selfridge - season 1,2 and 3* (ITV/PBS America), *Sherlock* (BBC), *Eastenders* (BBC), *Room At The Top* (BBC), *Shameless* (C4), *Casualty* (BBC) and *Vanity Fair* (ITV/PBS America).

My experience as a professional Actor has taught me how to be a key team member, work hard, be resilient, and respond quickly and calmly to difficult scenarios. It has given me the ability to take notes, adapt, and be open to change and criticism. Continually meeting and working alongside new people has ensured highly developed skills of flexibility and responsiveness to different people's needs; coupled with always taking a genuine interest in those I meet.

HOSTING LIVE EVENTS

- The Big Ball of Courage Charity fundraising event for The Kids Village (2019 and 2022)
- Free Radio Hits Live (2017 and 2018)
- Birmingham Christmas Lights Switch On The German Frankfurt Christmas Market
 (2018)

EDUCATION

Television Development Researcher Bootcamp

In connection with *Solihull College* and *Create Central*. (Jan/Feb 2023)

BA - Hons in Acting

Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) (2005-2008)

References are available upon request.