

# LORNA KIDJO

WRITER, ACTOR, DIRECTOR

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## EDUCATION

**Bachelor in Filmmaking**  
**Haute École Libre de**  
**Bruxelles (HELB)**

2009-2012

Major: Directing & Producing

**Certificate in Screenwriting**  
**McGill University**

2015

Professor: Michael Donovan

**Tv Writing Workshop**

**BIPOC TV & FILM**

2018

Kid's Tv Writing Bootcamp

**Filmmaker Mentorship Program**

**Reelworld Institute**

2019

Emerging 20 Program

**Filmmaker Mentorship Program**

**Black Wealth Media Inc.**

2020

Black Ink Program

## PROFILE

Lorna Kidjo, a screenwriter, director, and actress, seamlessly blends storytelling disciplines. Her identity as a queer Canadian, West African, and European woman infuses her narratives with a distinctive resonance. After leaving the visual effects industry in 2016, she co-wrote a queer play showcased at "Off Just For Laughs." In 2022, she script edited Radio-Canada's documentary series "Afro-Canada", and is currently working on an educational fiction project with Moi&Dave. Concurrently, supported by the Canada Media Fund, she is developing her mini-series and collaborating on a short film with [Misfit Films](#).

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Screenwriting

- [Héritage African \(2024\)](#) / Prod: [Moi&Dave](#) / Broadcaster: TFO / Role: Co-Writer
- [Les Météorites \(2024\)](#) / Prod: [Inaru Films Inc.](#) / Broadcaster: Tou.Tv / Role: Script Editor
- [Newtown \(Dev\)](#) / Prod: TBD / Broadcaster: TBD / Role: Screenwriter  
Pre-development with the support of CBC and Canada Media Fund
- [Afro-Canada \(2022\)](#) / Prod: [Yzanakio](#) / Broadcaster: Radio-Canada / Role: Script editor
- [Oversight \(2022\)](#) /Prod: Stellar Collision Inc. / Role: Writer / Developed with the support of "CALQ"
- [Fester \(2021\)](#) /Prod: Stellar Collision Inc. / Role: Writer
- [Lesbian Speed Date From Hell! \(2019\)](#) / Role: Co-writer

### Directing

- [Oversight \(2022\)](#) / Short Film / Festival Selections: Seattle International Film Festival 2023, nominated for Best Short Film award, Reelworld Film Festival 2023, won Best Actress in a Short Film, Silicon Valley African Film Festival 2023, Diaspora Festival of Black and Independent Film 2023, Macau International Short Film 2023, Halifax Black Film Festival (2024)
- [Fester \(2020\)](#) / Short Film / Festival Selections: Fantasia International Film Festival 2021, Rendez-vous Quebec Cinema 2021, Soho Horror Film Festival 2021, Reelworld Film Festival 2021

### Selected Acting Credits

- [Carnaval \(2024\)](#) / Dir: Akram Adouani / Prod: Rotin Production
- [Plan B \(2023\)](#) / Dir: Aisling Chin-Yee, Jean-François Asselin, Maxime Giroux / Prod: KOTV Productions
- [Wong & Winchester \(2023\)](#) / Dir: Stéphane Beaudoin / Prod: Pixcom
- [Pillow Talk \(2023\)](#) / Dir: Marianna Phung, Brandon Calder / Prod: KOTV Productions
- [5e Rang \(2019-2022\)](#) / Dir: Myriam Verreault / Prod: Production Casablanca
- [Mrs. America \(2020\)](#) / Dir: Amma Asante / Prod: FX Productions
- [Transpalnt \(2020\)](#) / Dir: Stefan Pleszczynski / Prod: Sphere Media

