#### Joanne Wannan

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# **Teaching Experience:**

2016 - Screenwriting Instructor, University of Victoria Continuing Education Program Duties: designing, implementing, and teaching 8 week screenwriting course.

2013-2014 - Teaching Assistant, Film 1120, York University, Toronto, Ontario. Duties: designing lesson plans, instructing students in all aspect of screenwriting, marking and grading assignments, assigning final grades.

# **Education**

Masters of Fina Arts (MFA) in Screenwriting from York University.

### **Movies/ Screenplays:**

OBITUARY (Thriller). This script was produced and has aired on Lifetime Television, Global Television, and The Women's Network.

TIMBER (Drama). The script was written in conjunction with <u>Telefilm.</u>

It was cited for an award by Praxis for Screenwriting excellence.

CHRISTMAS CUPCAKE (Family Drama) -optioned and in development.

HONEYMOON IN ROME (Comedy)

JONI GOES POSTAL (Comedy) (MFA Thesis Project) - optioned and in development

THE AMULET (Fantasy/ thriller)

PATERNITY TEST (Family Comedy/ Drama) - optioned

### **Books:**

NEW LIVES: Stories of Rescued Dogs Helping, Healing and Giving Hope (3BlackDogs) November, 2009. Non-fiction - 228 pages.

KISSTORY: A Sweet and Sexy Look at the History of Kissing (Running Press) December, 2010. Non-fiction - 128 pages.

## **Grants:**

York University Graduate Scholarship (2012 - 2013)

Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship (2013-2014)

Timber was written as a Writer's First Project in conjunction with a Telefilm Grant (2007)

### Awards:

Timber (under the title To Earn a Home) was short listed in the spring 2008 Praxis competition.

NEW LIVES: Stories of Rescued Dogs Helping, Healing and Giving Hope, won the USA Book News "Best Books 2010 Award" in the animal/pet category. It was also nominated for an award with the Dog Writers Association of America.