

JESSICA SWALE

Writer, Director

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Olivier award-winning writer, director and filmmaker. Jessica's debut feature film, *Summerland*, was released by Lionsgate in 2020 starring Gemma Arterton & Gugu Mbatha-Raw and her short satirical film, [Leading Lady Parts](#), went viral after release in 2019. She has a number of feature films in development both as a writer and director, including *Nell Gwynn* for Working Title and a major TV adaptation with Left Bank. Jessica is also the author of a best-selling series of drama games books and her first play, *Blue Stockings*, is on the GCSE Drama syllabus. Jessica is involved in [Times Up UK](#) and the [50:50 campaign](#), actively campaigning for greater equality across theatre and film.

CREDITS

Media appearances include:

[BBC Radio 4 Women's Hour](#),
Celebrity University Challenge,
[The Guilty Feminist](#).

Topics of Expertise include:

Writing Drama,
Women in the Arts,
Feminism (Times Up, Me/Too),
Women's Education, Representation and diversity in film & theatre,
Filmmaking,
Being a woman in filmmaking,
Adapting Classic texts for Theatre & Film,
The History of Theatre,
Working in Shakespeare's Globe Theatre.