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The Independent Writers' Caucus is a diverse association of emerging, industry-vetted writers - many of whom have produced credits, optioned properties, and experience in writers' rooms.

The Best of the IWC 2025 is a list of the Top 20 screenplays and pilots written by IWC members as selected by a team of veteran industry readers. This list is a tribute to what the IWC does best - support and encourage great stories from great writers.

And without further ado...



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The Ayon Hive

Robin Fusco

Hourlong Premium Drama

A lost and desperate woman gives up everything to join a happiness commune only to discover that the leader of this supposed utopia is using psychological and physical torture to mold select devotees into perfect, made-to-order wives for wealthy, powerful men.

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Currently seeking representation.

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Big Life

Tracy Charlton

Feature - Romantic Comedy

When a professional tennis player and a San Francisco tech nerd fall in love, they must negotiate their dueling ambitions and her eccentric Romanian family in order to find happiness. Think MY BIG FAT GREEK WEDDING meets SILICON VALLEY.

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Buraku

Stephen Nolly

Hourlong Drama Pilot - Historical Crime Drama

An assassin escapes Edo-era Japan's civil war and his family's "untouchable" caste by joining the American Confederacy, but his legacy catches up with his modern-day descendant, who seeks to cure his own misfortune amidst Tokyo's criminal underworld.

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Chasing Shadows

Tony Ferrendelli & Kim Turner

Feature - Comedy

A coming-of-middle-age story about a couple who separates just shy of their 25th anniversary and must figure out if being alone is better than feeling alone in a relationship. Marriage is not for the faint of heart.

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Chasing Shakespeare

Tracy Charlton

Feature - YA Action-Adventure

When a teenage girl's father disappears amid accusations that he stole one of Shakespeare's First Folios, she must find him and retrieve the Folio by solving a series of Shakespeare-themed clues he left behind.

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Coastal Watch

Danielle Weinberg

Feature - Thriller

In the vein of Hitchcock's REAR WINDOW: A recently traumatized teen witnesses a murder in the beach house across the street, but when no one believes her, she seeks out the answers herself and finds her own life in jeopardy.

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Deadball

Rich Orstad

Feature - Historical Drama

In 1911 Wild West Wyoming, a baseball team of death-row inmates play for their lives where it's either win and have sentences commuted or lose and a teammate dies. Based on a True Story. Think SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION meets THE NATURAL.

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The Death of Robin Hood

Sarah Fischer

Hourlong Pilot - Adventure

A woman-in-mourning takes up the mantle of Robin Hood to protect the people of Nottingham in a time of political upheaval.

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The Devil's Brood

Saiya Floyd

Hourlong Pilot - Historical Drama

The ambitious daughter of Henry I must navigate court politics, fight sexist nobles, and defy her own family in order to secure her rightful position as England's first Queen.

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Jingi

Nick Pangilinan

Hourlong Pilot - Crime

When tasked with preventing an assassination attempt on his clan's leader, a Los Angeles Yakuza foot soldier must balance his duty as a gangster against his devotion as a father.

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Keepsake Christmas

Rich Orstad

Feature - Family/Holiday

When a social worker discovers that an elderly woman's Christmas keepsakes have the power to magically transport them both back in time to the memory each memento represents, she fights to save the senior's home and her lifetime of precious holiday memories.

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Ketaluma

Philippe Bowgen

Half-Hour Comedy

When a failed novelist moves back in with his eccentric cat-loving parents, he accidentally embroils them in an underground ketamine drug ring on the cat show circuit and races to payback a vicious kingpin, redeem his dignity, and save his family's lives - all while trying to win the Cat Fancy Association's National Championships.

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The Knocking at the Marsh

Gina DeAngelis

Feature - Supernatural Thriller/Horror

When her widowed mother vanishes during a blizzard in 1850s Virginia, a biracial teenager must defend herself, her vulnerable little sister, and their isolated farm against their slaveholding uncle and the torments of an angry spirit.

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La Maupin

Christina Hulen

Feature - Historical

Born the daughter of a servant in the court of Louis the XIV, a brilliant young woman uses seduction and the sword on her journey to escape a death sentence and rise above her status to become the most celebrated opera singer in France: La Maupin.

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Lost Dog

Garret Williams

Feature - Drama/Thriller

A jaded Black Animal Control Officer and his young trainee follow the twisted trail of a racist serial dog abuser and killer.

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Saigon Doll

Tony Ferrendelli

Feature - Drama

In the final chaotic hours of the US exodus from Saigon, a grieving Marine struggles against enemy soldiers — some of whom share his uniform — in order to shepherd an orphaned 8-year-old Vietnamese girl to the American embassy.

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A Shot of Jack

James Moorer

Feature - Suspense Thriller

A troubled ex-cop turned P.I. works to clear his wealthy and seductive client while trying to come to terms with the lead detective on the case, his former partner/lover.

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The Solicitor

Ellen Ancui

Hourlong Pilot - Dramedy

When a powerful, headstrong criminal defense attorney gets disbarred for sleeping with a client, she takes a job managing a rival firm's struggling staff to prove her remorse and get her license reinstated.

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Warbirds

Christina Hulen

Feature - Historical

This high-flying WWII romantic adventure follows a naïve farm girl leaving the only life she's ever known to chase her dream of joining the elite Women's Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs), only to discover that dream threatened when she falls for a fellow female recruit.

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The White Guy Dies First

Nick Pangilinan

Feature - Horror/Comedy

Locked inside Horror-Con after a table reading, Brandy must survive her own real-life murder mystery once a masked killer starts offing her fellow castmates. But when the suspects are all minorities, that's one horror trope she can't rely on when guessing who's going to fall next.

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