



## JAYNE KIRKHAM

**Agent:** Julian Friedmann

**Biography:** Jayne Kirkham is a screenwriter and script consultant with over thirty years' experience working with and writing for children and young people. She has written for a wide range of formats including animation, live action features, radio, apps, and picture books.

Jayne's credits include BING AND TEE AND MO and a feature length adaptation of Marina Lewycka's darkly comic political novel TWO CARAVANS. More recently she has abridged novels and stories for Toniebox and written several episodes of Cartoon Network's forthcoming series TOAD AND FRIENDS. She is currently working on an animated television series called MADDIE + TRIGGS for Turnip + Duck, RTE and the BBC.

Jayne's original commissions in other media include poetry and short stories for Cbeebies and the interpretations for Blackpool's new museum of Fun and Entertainment: Showtown, to be opened in 2024.

Jayne was a lecturer at the Northern Film School for fourteen years and served as the Writers' Guild Children's chair. She is also a member of BAFTA, and is a member of the board for the Children's Media Foundation.

Jayne's writing is full of warmth and whimsy and reflects her love of the outdoors, wildlife, and adventure. She is a UKCC L2 paddle sport coach and was an outdoor activity worker for West Berkshire District Council, Princes Trust and the Scout Association. 2024 is also Jayne's 6th year as canoe safari warden for the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust at Slimbridge. It would have been her 7th but Covid-19 restrictions meant she spent 2020 there as a WellybootLand Warden... well someone had to.

## Current Commissions

MADDIE & TRIGGS	Writer on Animated Series Turnip + Duck/RTE/BBC	
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## Recent Credits

FAVOURITE TALES	2023	Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Original stories for children.</i>
CONSERVATION CREW	2023	Writer, Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Original stories for children.</i>
12 TONIES OF CHRISTMAS	2022	Writer and Creator, Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Original stories for children.</i>
TOAD & FRIENDS	2022	Writer, Animated series	<i>A new series that beautifully updates the WIND IN THE WILLOWS for 2023.</i>

		HoHo Entertainment/Cartoon Network	
THE LITTLE PRINCE	2022	Writer, Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Audio adaptation for children.</i>
FAVOURITE CLASSICS	2022	Writer, Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Audio adaptation for children of classic novels like BLACK BEAUTY and PINOCCHIO.</i>
CLASSIC TALES	2021	Writer, Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Audio adaptation for children of classic novels like BLACK BEAUTY and PINOCCHIO.</i>
THE ANIMAL OLYMPICS	2021	Writer, Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Original stories for children.</i>
SOFT CUDDLY FRIENDS	2021	Writer, Audio Series Boxine/Margarete Steiff GmbH	<i>Original stories for children.</i>
SHORT STORIES	2021	Writer and Creator, Audio Series Boxine: Toniebox UK	<i>Original stories for children.</i>
DOG YEARS	2020	Writer, 1 Episode. Live Action Series	<i>Dash the dog gets up to fun and hi-jinks with his oddball human family, passing on the lessons he learns to his young pups.</i>

		Nelson Nutmeg Productions/Amazon Prime	
DIGITALES	2019	Writer and Creator, Audio Series Cbeebies Radio	<i>Listening to the spoken word, enjoying the rhythms and rhymes, help children develop their own language skills as well as being great fun.</i>
TEE AND MO	2019	Writer, Animated series Plug In Media Group/CBeebies	<i>Based on the delightful Plug-In Media/CBeebies games, this interactive story tells how Tee, an adorable and unstoppable baby monkey and his first time mum, work together to solve the small everyday problems they face through creativity, play and collaboration.</i>
WHO WAS	2018	Writer, Animated Biographies Fettle Animaton/BBC Bitesize Key Stage 1 History	
REFUGEES / AUTISM / ALLERGIES	2018	Writer and Creator, Different Audio Series Cbeebies Radio	
TREASURE CHAMPS	2018	Writer, Live Action Three Arrows Media/CBeebies	

SOUNDS OF COLOUR	2017	Writer and Creator, Audio Series Cbeebies Radio	
LITTLE ROY	2017	Writer, Live Action Jam Media/CBBC/CBeebies	<i>A cartoon boy in the real world.</i>
TEE AND MO	2015	Writer, Story App Plug In Media Group/CBeebies	