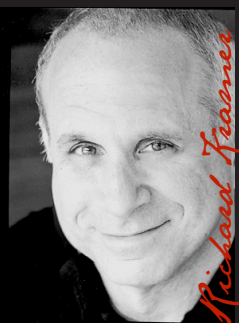


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Richard Kramer

These Things Happen

Richard Kramer is the Emmy and multiple Peabody award-winning writer, director and producer of TV series, including *Thirtysomething*, *My So-called Life*, *Tales of the City*, and *Once and Again*. He's been nominated for numerous Emmy awards. His first short story appeared in *The New Yorker* while he was still an undergraduate at Yale.



Attica Locke

The Cutting Season

Attica Locke's first novel, *Black Water Rising*, was nominated for a 2010 Edgar Award, a 2010 NAACP Image Award, as well as a *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize and was longlisted for an Orange Prize in the UK. Attica is also a screenwriter who has written movie and television scripts for Paramount, Warner Bros, Disney, Twentieth Century Fox, Jerry Bruckheimer Films, HBO, Dreamworks and Silver Pictures. She was also a fellow at the Sundance Institute's Feature Filmmakers Lab and is a graduate of Northwestern University. A native of Houston, Texas, Attica lives in Los Angeles, California, with her husband and daughter.

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The Barbarian Nurseries

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