

AMY ROSENTHAL
Playwright

Amy Rosenthal's short audio-play **LIFELINES** was performed as part of the Royal Court Young Writers Festival in 1996.

Amy's first full-length play **SITTING PRETTY** was written for her MA in Playwriting Studies at Birmingham University and premiered at the Chelsea Theatre in November 1999 to great acclaim. In spring 2001 the play was performed at the Hypothetical Theatre in New York, and in autumn 2001 it was taken on a No. 1. National UK tour. In 2005 it was performed at the Watford Palace Theatre.

Her next play **HENNA NIGHT** won the Sunday Times Drama Award at the Scarborough Festival in spring 1999. It was subsequently produced at the Chelsea Theatre in December 2001.

Amy's third play **JERUSALEM SYNDROME**, written for the Manchester Royal Exchange Theatre, opened in a workshop production at the Exchange in July 1999. It was later produced at the SOHO Theatre, London in spring 2000.

In spring 2000 Amy wrote **WESTMINSTER** for the Paines Plough Wild Lunch series. Her radio play, **LITTLE WORDS**, was broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2001 and her 4-part adaptation of her father's autobiography, **JACK ROSENTHAL'S LAST ACT**, aired on BBC Radio 4 in summer 2006. Her radio adaptation of her father's teleplay, **TORTOISE**, aired on Radio 4 in December 2007. In September 2007 Amy co-wrote a play with Cosh Omar for Hampstead Theatre's **DARING PARINGS** programme and in November 2007 she wrote **A HANDBAG** for the Old Vic's 24 Hour Plays celebrity gala event. Her most recent play, **ON THE ROCKS**, was produced by Hampstead theatre in June 2008.

Amy completed a playwright-in-residency at the Manchester Royal Exchange Theatre in 1998/9. She was a resident writer for four weeks at the Royal National Studio in spring 2000 and writer-in-residence at Sphinx Theatre Company in summer 2002/3.

She is under commission to the Manchester Royal Exchange Theatre.

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