

# **Rib Davis**

# Playwright

Since the late 1970s Rib Davis has pursued the dual careers of playwright and oral historian. For many projects, the two have been combined in community arts, often leading to large-scale oral history-based documentary plays, usually directed by himself. On other occasions, the scripts have been pure fiction and he has worked on many oral history projects with no theatrical outcome.



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### Credits

#### Other

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Production	Company	Notes
1978 INTERGALACTIC PLAYS	Milton Keynes	
1979 PEOPLE'S POEMS	People's Press Editor	
1980 WRITE HERE		
1981 NIELSEN'S FIFTH	Milton Keynes	
1982 A DERBYSHIRE TOWN REMEMBERED	PostMill Press	Editor
1983 MILTONI THE GRAND	Miton Keynes	
1983 TALES FROM JUNCTION 28	PostMill Press	Editor
1985 MEMORIES FROM SHIREBROOK	Shirebrook	Editor
1985 WHERE THE TRAINS USED TO RUN		
1995 A WORKING CLASS WAR		
1995 SOUTHWARK AT WAR	Southwark	Editor
1996 WINTER WARMERS	Age Exchange	Co-Editor

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1998/2003/2008/2016 WRITING DIALOGUE FOR SCRIPTS	Bloomsbury	
1999 SETTLER'S TALES	Greenwich	
2000 DESTINATION GREENWICH	Greenwich	
2000 AN HYSTERICAL WALK	Greenwich	
2000 DREAMERS' WELCOME	Derbyshire	
2001 DEVELOPING CHARACTERS FOR SCRIPT WRITING	Bloomsbury	
2007 WOKING LIVING WORDS	The Lightbox	Editor
2016 CREATING COMPELLING CHARACTERS	Bloomsbury	Revision of 2001 book

## Radio

Production	Company	Notes
1979 TUTORIAL	BBC Radio 4	
1979 YOUR OWN BOSS	BBC Radio 4	
1980 CAN'T COMPLAIN	BBC Radio 4	
1980 WHY	BBC Radio 4	
1981 FAMILY	BBC Radio 4	
1983 CORRIDOR	BBC Radio 4	
1984 A FEW KIND WORDS	BBC Radio 4	
1985 DUST	BBC Radio 4	
1988 RICHIE'S LAW	BBC Radio 4	
1989 THE PEOPLE'S WOMAN	BBC Radio 4	
1990 ADD LIFE TO YEARS	BBC Radio 4	
1992-3 MURDER MOST FOUL	BBC Radio 4	Part series
1993 BETRAYERS	BBC Radio 4	
1993 THE LADY OF THE DIAGRAM	BBC Radio 4	
1996 BEYOND REASONABLE DOUBT	BBC Radio 4	Series
1998 UNWRITTEN LAW	BBC Radio 4	Series
1999 CARRIE'S WAR	BBC Radio 4	Adaptation
2000 UNWRITTEN LAW	BBC Radio 4	Series
2001 EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE	BBC Radio 3	Documentary
2008 WOMEN FROM THE VALE	BBC Worcester	Documentary drama series

## Television

Production	Company	Notes
1988 NO FURTHER CAUSE FOR CONCERN	BBC	
1990-92 THE BILL	Carlton	
1994 THE PASSIONATE STATISTICIAN	BBC	

### Theatre

Production	Company	Notes
1982 CHARITY	Manchester Library	
1982 GRAVEN IMAGES	Milton Keynes Festival	
1983 A PENNORTH O' DUCK	South Normanton	Large-scale doc drama
1984 A PARTICULAR JOURNEY	Milton Keynes	Large-scale doc drama
1985 EVERY OTHER GARDEN 'AD A PIT	Eastwood	Large-scale doc drama
1985 IT STARTS WITH THE ORE	Corby	Large-scale doc drama
1986 COVENTRY MADE	Coventry	Large-scale doc drama
1986 THIS SIDE OF THE BRIDGE	Cambridge	Large-scale doc drama
1986 SPEND A SHILLING MORE	Touch and Go touring	
1987 YOU COULD COUNT THE CHIMNEYS TO THE CHURCH	Cherry Hinton	Large-scale doc drama
1987 YOU WOULDN'T DREAM OF IT TODAY	Loughborough	Large-scale doc drama
1987 NO FUTHER CAUSE FOR CONCERN	Edinburgh/ Cardiff	Winner, Edinburgh Fringe 1s
1991 HOMEWORK FOR ANNETTE	Northampton	For young people
1991 TWO COUNTRY VILLAGES	Shenley	For young people
1991 WEST END, BEST END!	Derby	Large-scale doc drama
1992 WORKER BY NAME	Living Archive	Large-scale doc drama
1992 CARTAGENA!	Northampton touring	
1995 OPEN ARMS	High Wycombe	Large-scale doc drama
1995 THIS WAS A VILLAGE	Chiselhurst	For young people
1995 WHEN THE LIGHTS GO ON AGAIN	Age Exchange	Co-written with Pam Schweitzer
1996 BIGGER, BRIGHTER, BETTER	Bletchley	Large-scale doc drama
1996 RIVERHEAD LIVES	Riverhead	For young people

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1997 BRICKS AND BARGES	Slough	Large-scale doc drama
1998 NET CURTAINS AND KIPPERS	Buckinghamshire	Large-scale doc drama
1998 CHASING TOPOLIS	Palace Productions	
1998 FETLOCK TO FORECOURT	South Bucks touring	
2000 CHUCK OUT YOUR MOULDIES	East Greenwich	Large-scale doc drama
2000 WHAT WAS COMING TO HIM	Y-Care International	For young people
2000 MORETON MADE	Maids Moreton	Large-scale doc drama
2003 PIONEERS	Sheerwater, Woking	Large-scale doc drama
2004 THEY'RE NOT FROM HERE	Chertsey	For young people
2006 THE PRINCESS, THE PALACE AND THE ICE-COLD BATH	Esher	Large-scale doc drama
2011 THE VISION	Woking	Large-scale doc drama
2014 THE FIGHT IN THE DOG	Playing for Time	Commission for production a HMP Winchester
2018 THE SWORD OF ALEX	Beyond the Pale	