

# John Strauss

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## Biography

John Strauss has been writing and producing television series, feature films, both live-action and computer-animated for over thirty years. John's credits as a screenwriter include 'There's Something About Mary', 'Santa Clause II', 'Santa Clause III', starring Tim Allen and 'Free Birds', a computer-animated feature, starring Owen Wilson and Woody Harrelson. Box office receipts of the aforementioned films total in excess of a billion dollars internationally. On the television side, John has been an executive producer/showrunner on over ten different television series. His most recent credits include the Golden Globe-winning series, 'Mozart in the Jungle'. He is currently serving as executive producer for Peabody Award-Winning best drama series, 'David Makes Man', with Academy Award winner Tarell McCraney ('Moonlight'), for Warner Brothers Television and the OWN Network. He is currently writing two one-hour drama pilots for Warner Brothers Television, and a third one for Netflix. He recently finished working with Riot Games, adapting their massively multiplayer online game, 'League of Legends', into a computer-animated television series, 'Arcane'. John is also adapting 'There's Something About Mary' as a Broadway musical.

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## Education

UCLA

B.F.A. Film and TV Production

University of Georgia

M.F.A. Film, Television, and Media Studies

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