

Red-Carpet Voices: Gillian Flynn for HBO's 'Sharp Objects'

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CHICAGO – She is the author whose novels are screen friendly. Gillian Flynn has had all three of her books adapted for either television or film, and the latest is a miniseries adaptation of her first novel, which continues on HBO, titled “Sharp Objects.” The series runs eight episodes, and features Amy Adams in the lead role, supported by Patricia Clarkson, Chris Messina and Elizabeth Perkins.

“Sharp Objects” centers on Camille Preaker (Adams) as a crime reporter in St. Louis, who is assigned to a murder story in her hometown of Wind Gap, Missouri. She is a psychological mess, having just been released from a psychiatric hospital for various ills, and still cannot shake her acute alcoholism. The assignment comes with some baggage, as Camille’s small-town socialite mother Adora (Patricia Clarkson) is back in her life. Further complicating matters is Detective Willis (Chris Messina) as a Kansas City law officer brought in to help solve the murders. Camille is about to be tested in her hometown. The fifth episode will premiere on August 5th, 2018.



Gillian Flynn at the Chicago History Museum for HBO's 'Sharp Objects'
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Born and raised in Kansas City, Missouri, Gillian Flynn got her undergrad (University of Kansas) and masters degrees (Northwestern University) in journalism. During a stint with Entertainment Weekly magazine she began writing her novels. "Sharp Objects" debuted in 2006, followed by "Dark Places" in 2009. She won acclaim for her third and best selling novel, "Gone Girl," and wrote the screenplay adaptation for the film version, directed by David Fincher. An older short story, "The Grownup," was expanded and published in 2015.

Gillian Flynn appeared on behalf of "Sharp Objects" at a screening of Episode Two, presented by HBO, at the Chicago History Museum. Photographer Joe Arce of HollywoodChicago.com shot the Exclusive Photo for this article.

In the following Red Carpet Voices, with Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, Gillian Flynn talks about the author's process, and her adventures in Hollywood.

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Episode Five of "Sharp Objects" will premiere at 9pm EST/8pm CST on HBO on Sunday, August 5th. See TV providers for channel or download. Featuring Patricia Clarkson, Amy Adams, Chris Messina and Elizabeth Perkins. Based on a novel by Gillian Flynn. Created by Marti Noxon. Directed by Jean-Marc Vallée. For more information the series, [click here](#). [24]



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