

BIOGRAPHY



SONJA SOHN

Amanda on ABC's "Will Trent"

Sonja Sohn began her creative journey amid New York City's vibrant 1980s art scene, studying at the School of Visual Arts before turning her focus to writing. In the 1990s, her passion for storytelling led her to Brooklyn College, where her love of poetry took center stage — a path that would ultimately propel her into film. Her breakout came in 1998 with "Slam," which she co-wrote and co-starred in; the film won the Sundance Grand Jury Prize and the Camera d'Or at Cannes, establishing her as a bold new voice in cinema.

Sohn went on to become a defining presence on television, most notably for her role as Detective Kima Greggs on HBO's groundbreaking series "The Wire." Her other television credits span major networks and streaming platforms, including "Brothers and Sisters" and "Body of Proof "(ABC), "Cold Case" and "The Good Wife" (CBS), "Burn Notice" (Hulu), "Luke Cage" (Netflix), "The Chi" (Showtime), and "Star Trek: Discovery" (Paramount+). Her film work includes collaborations with celebrated directors such as John Singleton ("Shaft"), Steven Soderbergh ("High Flying Bird") and Martin Scorsese ("Bringing Out the Dead"). In 2023, she appeared in "Big George Foreman," Sony's biopic of the heavyweight champion directed by George Tillman Jr.

Sohn returned to ABC in "Will Trent," starring as Amanda Wagner opposite Ramón Rodríguez. Based on Karin Slaughter's bestselling novels, the series enters its fourth season in January 2024.

Behind the camera, Sohn has established herself as a powerful documentarian. Her directorial debut, "Baltimore Rising" (HBO), offered an unflinching look at community activism in the aftermath of Freddie Gray's death. Her follow-up, the true crime documentary "The Slow Hustle" (HBO), explored the mysterious death of Baltimore detective Sean Suiter and received a 2022 Emmy® nomination for Outstanding Crime and Justice Documentary.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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