

Charlie Kaufman

#24 – *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*

#74 – *Being John Malkovich*

#77 - *Adaptation*

One of the most acclaimed screenwriters working today, Charlie Kaufman was born in November 1958 in New York and spent part of his high school years in Connecticut before studying film at New York University. In the late 1980s, he worked in the circulation department of the Minneapolis *Star Tribune*, eventually moving to Los Angeles in 1991. For most of the 1990s, Kaufman was a television writer on such shows as *Get a Life* and *The Dana Carvey Show*. His first film, *Being John Malkovich*, came out in 1999 to critical praise. Of the five produced films he has written to date, three of them are on the 101 Greatest Screenplays list.