

Roddy Doyle

He was born in Dublin in 1958 and is still alive today (07/07/12).

He has written a trilogy, the "Barrytown trilogy", in which he represents the paralysis of Irish society, in particular in Dublin. He mixes Joyce's paralysis with the typical irony of Irish writers.

"The Commitments", one of the novels of the trilogy (together with "The Snapper" and "The Van") became a film in 1991. It was directed by Oliver Parker.

"Paddy Clarke Ha Ha Ha" is the story of a ten-year-old boy witnessing the breakdown of his parents' marriage. It was Booker Prize winner for 1993.