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## Matador to develop Her Royal Spyness franchise

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The UK production company has acquired the rights to Rhys Bowen's adventure novel series Her Royal Spyness; Chalet Girl writer Tom Williams to pen the script.

UK production company [Matador Pictures](#) has secured the rights to Rhys Bowen's bestselling series of teen comedy-adventure novels [Her Royal Spyness](#), with plans to develop a feature franchise.

The first feature is currently being written by Tom Williams, who penned the recent [Chalet Girl](#). Rachel Belofsky of US-based [Candy Heart Productions](#) will co-produce with Matador. It is due to go into production late 2011 / early 2012.

Part rom-com, part espionage adventure, the film follows the story of 18-year-old Georgie (aka Lady Victoria Georgiana Charlotte Eugenie) who becomes entangled in a world of international espionage whilst trying to survive in the big city as an ordinary person.

Matador Pictures' CEO Nigel Thomas described it as a "brilliant project".

"It marks another step in the evolution of our growing development and production slate. We're especially delighted to be working with Tom Williams," he added.

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