The BAFTA Rocliffe partnership holds four developmental writing events annually in the UK and in the US; this is the first event to focus on TV Drama. A huge thank you to our script selection panel for taking the time to read every script and select the three featured extracts. They included Huw Kennair-Jones, Commissioning Editor, Drama, Sky; Bryan Elsley, creator of Skins (and new Channel 4 series Dates); Danny Brocklehurst, Writer (Exile, Accused, The Street, Shameless); Hilary Perkins, Multiplatform Commissioning Editor, Drama & Film, Channel 4; Jane Featherstone, Chief Executive of Kudos, (Utopia, Broadchurch, The Hour); John Alexander, Director (White Heat, Exile, Small Island); John Yorke, MD, Company Pictures (Secret State, Shameless, The Shadow Line); Kevin Cecil, Writer (Black Books, Little Britain); Emily Feller, Development Editor, Red Productions (Last Tango In Halifax, Hit & Miss, Scott & Bailey); Polly Hill, Head of Independent Drama, BBC; Renay Richardson, Executive Assistant, Drama Republic; Sue Vertue, Producer, Hartswood Films (Sherlock); Will Gould, Head of Drama, Tiger Aspect (Ripper Street, Public Enemies); Gabriel Silver, Development Producer, Left Bank Pictures (Wallander, Teachers, The Queen's Sister); Matt Dench, Literary Agent, Dench Arnold; and Mady Niel, Literary Agent, 42.

This year will see two forums focussing on Sitcom and Sketches at the Guardian Edinburgh International Television Festival in August, as well as for a third consecutive year at the New York Television Festival in October. The application deadline is 22 May 2013 visit www.rocliffe.com for details. Our next London Event in November will focus on Feature Films. We have held events throughout the country in Belfast, Cheltenham, Edinburgh, and Nottingham.

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# BAFTA ROCLIFFE NEW WRITING FORUM

with BBC Controller of Drama Commissioning BEN STEPHENSON

MONDAY 13 MAY 2013 BAFTA, 195 PICCADILLY, LONDON W1J 9LN

## The BAFTA Rocliffe New Writing Forum, now in its

fourteenth year, is a platform for new writing and a networking event. Three script extracts of between eight and ten minutes are selected by an industry panel from an open call out. This year the forums focus on TV Drama, Sitcom/Sketches and Film.

BEN STEPHENSON was appointed Controller of Drama Commissioning in September 2008. He is responsible for the re-emergence of drama on BBC Two with a range of truly

original pieces including The Shadow Line, United, Eric and Ernie, The Crimson Petal and the White, The Hollow Crown, Parade's End and Line of Duty. Other recent commissions include The Accused, Call The Midwife, Last Tango in Halifax, Luther, Murder, The Paradise, The Secret of Crickley Hall, Sherlock. Forthcoming dramas include Dancing on the Edge, The Fall, Frankie, Loving Miss Hatto, Mayday, Mary and Martha, Peaky Blinders, Restless, Ripper Street, Top Of The Lake, The Village and War Of The Roses. Ben joined the BBC in 2004 as Head of Development, Independent Drama, and subsequently became

Head of Drama Commissioning. He studied Drama at Manchester University before spending three years at Granada Television where he was script editor on a variety of dramas including *Heartbeat, London's Burning* and *Blood Strangers*. Ben then worked at Channel 4 where he was Editor, Series for over two years working on dramas such as *No Angels, Teachers* and *Buried*. Before joining the BBC he worked as a development producer at Shed Productions and Tiger Aspect.



Ben Stephenson





## REUBEN THE HOOD

by AISLING CORRISTINE

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Music by CHRIS GREEN c/o Air Edel

In order to pay off a loan shark, a petty thief takes community service, intent on stealing something to raise the cash; but when he starts to get attached to the residents, the shark begins to circle dangerously...

Narrator

STEPHEN VENTURA Q Talent 020 7430 5400

Reuben

**CHOOK SIBTAIN** 

Q Talent Michael Cronin 020 7430 5400

Pete

IAMES HARKNESS

The Rights House 020 3291 2929

Lisa

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Louise

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#### INCONCFIVABLE

by ROMILLY MASTERS

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Directed by SUSAN JACOBSON

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Music by ANDY GRAY c/o Air Edel

In dystopian Britain, babies have become a commodity. The Government has introduced a new initiative - the Family Options Bureau that auctions babies

Narrator

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FREYA BERRY

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Dan

DANIEL ABELSON

Vic Murray Talent 020 7112 8938

Customer/Alicia's Mother

CAROLINE WILDI

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NICK MALINOWSKI

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### CROWS' FFFT

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Music by SIMON SLATER c/o Air Edel

Alex, Vicki, Sema and Lucy have spent the last ten years moving onwards and upwards; now they're back to square one.

Mel/Narrator

LUCY CUDDEN

Katie Threlfall Associates 020 8879 0493

Simon/Ben

PHILIP BATTLEY

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Alex

SAMANTHA COUGHLAN

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NATALIF WALTER

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In 2009 AISLING CORRISTINE won a screenwriting scholarship to UCLA and wrote The Colony. Her latest script, The Prairie Boys, was named as a finalist in the Gimme Credit 2012 Screenwriting Competition.

ROMILLY MASTERS has written five feature scripts and several shorts; Inconceivable is her first TV drama. In 2012 she directed three of her short films, all currently on the Festival circuit.

After NATALIE MALLA's Paid (co-written with Xara Higgs) was optioned by The Comedy Unit, she took part in the Channel 4 Drama Scriptwriting Course. Her short film Killing Thyme, produced by Capture, is shooting in 2013. Natalie is currently studying screenwriting at The Central Film School

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with producers MICHAEL KUHN and ANDY HARRIES

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The BAFTA Rocliffe New Writing Forum, now in its thirteenth year, is the leading platform for new writing and networking. The format selects three ten-minute extracts from scripts sent in by emerging writing talent from all over the country. This December, the Forum will concentrate on the art of writing for film, and the pieces have been selected by a script selection panel who have huge experience in this area.

The three winning pieces will be performed by professional actors in front of a live audience and critiqued by producers Michael Kuhn and Andy Harries, with tips and advice for the writers and answers to the audience's questions.

MICHAEL KUHN joined Polygram N.V. in 1975 and in 1991 set up Polygram Filmed Entertainment, which made and distributed over 100 feature films including Four Weddings and a Funeral (1994), Notting Hill (1999), The Usual Suspects (1995), Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels (1998), Trainspotting (1996) and The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert (1994). He set up Qwerty Films in 1999, producing features including I Heart Huckabees (2004), Severance (2006) and The Duchess (2008). The company's current projects include The Last Days on Mars (2013) and Suite Française (2014), based

on the novel by Irène Némirovsky, directed by Saul Dibb and starring Michelle Williams, Matthias Schoenaerts and Kristin Scott Thomas.

ANDY HARRIES is Chief Executive and co-founder of award-winning film and television company Left Bank Pictures, whose programmes include the multi-BAFTA-winning Wallander (2008-). Prior to this, Andy was Controller of Drama, Comedy and Film for Granada Productions. Andy's recent films include The Damned United (2009) and The Lady (2011); he won a BAFTA and received an Oscar nomination for The Queen (2006) and in 2007 received BAFTA's Alan Clarke Award for outstanding creative contribution to Television. Andy also produced the award-winning 2013 West End hit play The Audience, where Helen Mirren reprised her role as HM The Queen.







### SUBMFRGFD

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Directed by SUSAN JACOBSON

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Music by PATRICK NEIL DOYLE c/o Air Edel

Trapped in a shrinking air pocket beneath the ocean's surface, the survivors of a plane crash battle to stay alive until the rescue teams arrive.

Narrator

CAROLINE WILDI

c/o Robert Kelly Associates

Alice

**JENNY BOYD** 

c/o Scott Marshall Partners Ltd

Matt

**EKOW QUARTEY** 

c/o Cole Kitchenn Personal Management Ltd

Vinnie

LUKE RAMPERSAD

c/o Spotlight

Brooke

ALEXANDRA ROSE

c/o Spotlight

Tavon

MICHAEL BODIE

c/o Olivia Bell Management

Gabriela

SAMANTHA COUGHLAN

c/o Olivia Bell Management

## TO HELL AND BACK

by PAUL MARX

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Directed by CHRIS BRAND

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Music by MICHAEL CSANYI-WILLS c/o Air Edel

To Hell and back. Literally.

Narrator

ALEXANDRA BOYD

c/o Burnett Crowther Ltd

Amanda

FLISS WALTON

c/o Philippa Howell Personal Management

Chauffeur/Satan

MARK PENEOLD

c/o NSM Ltd

Clerk/Charon

CHRIS LEVENS

c/o RBM

Death

IULIAN BLEACH

c/o Michelle Braidman Associates Ltd

## **IIMFHOUSE**

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Music by GRANT OLDING c/o Air Edel

Set in the 1920s, Limehouse is the true story of the rise and fall of mysterious playboy 'Brilliant' Chang, founder of London's Chinatown.

'Brilliant' Chana SIU HUN II

c/o Spotlight

Jackson Verger

IAMES CORRIGAN

c/o Independent Talent Group

Edith Lockwood

AISHA FABIENNE ROSS

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SEGUN AKINBOLA

c/o Global Artists

Egan

DAVID HOUNSLOW

c/o Michelle Braidman Associates

Policeman/Butler

SHAUN PRENDERGAST

c/o Wintersons

'Swoffer'

**GUY WARREN-THOMAS** 

c/o Imperium Management

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LIA BURGE

c/o Spotlight

Freddy

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