BAFTA ROCLIFFE NEW WRITING SHOWCASE – FILM 2020

TUESDAY 7 JULY 2020



SIR CHRISTOPHER HAMPTON

BAFTA and Oscar winning writer-director, Palme D'or nominee

Atonement, Dangerous Liaisons, The Singapore Grip, The Father



KATE DICKIE

Actress Red Road, Filth, Game of Thrones, The English Game



BENNET MCGHEE Producer

Mogul Mowgli, Bo66y, VS



FARAH ABUSHWESHA

Producer

Irreplaceable You, The ABC Murders, The Singapore Grip

A huge thank you to our script selection panellists and judges. They included:

2020 Film Jury

ANNEMARIE JACIR Writer/Director, Wajib, When I Saw You CLINT DYER Actor, Black Mirror, Writer/Director, Death of England (NT) COLM MEANEY Producer, Actor, Con Air, Intermission, The Last Right EMMA BERKOFSKY Head of Development at Lionsgate UK, Military Wives, How To Build A Girl LOUISA DENT Managing Director, Curzon Artificial Eye OLIVIA HETREED Writer, Girl With A Pearl Earring, Wuthering Heights

ROMOLA GARAI Actor, Atonement, The Hour, Writer/Director, Amulet SOPHIE HOLLAND Casting Director, The Witcher, The Kill Team TIM CORRIE Former BAFTA Chairman and Director of DLT Itd TODD BROWN Head of International Acquisitions, XYZ Films

2020 Film Panel

ANNA GRIFFIN Producer at Griffin Pictures & Wellington Films AVA STRIKER Development Executive, Mubi BEN COREN Head of Development, Film4 CATHERINE FREEMAN Development Executive, RubyRock Pictures CHRIS WALLEY Actor, BAFTA Breakthrough Brit, Young Offenders, 1917 EMILY HARRIS Director, Carmilla EOIN O'FAOLAIN Head of Development and Acquisitions, Sharp House JOHN GIWA-AMU Producer, The Machine, The Call Up LAWRENCE MASON Creative Assistant, Netflix LEE BRAZIER Producer, Yesterday LUCY FAWCETT Literary Agent, Sheil Land Associates MARTHA HOOD Development Executive. Altitude Film Entertainment MDHAMIRI A NKEMI Editor, The Last Tree, Blue Story NIAMH ALGAR Actor, BAFTA Breakthrough Brit, Calm With Horses, The Virtues RACHEL DE-LAHAY Screenwriter, BAFTA Elevate, Noughts and Crosses SARAH ARNOTT Talent Manager, Zero Gravity Management SIAN HARRIS Screenwriter, BAFTA Elevate, Man Down SONNY GILL Acquisitions & Development Executive SUSAN JACOBSON Director, Handy

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FARAH ABUSHWES

PEAKLAND

by LAWRENCE PUMFREY

Directed by IAN ARYEH Composer PETE BLYTH

A British Western, following an ex-mining family now bandits – as they seek revenge by kidnapping the daughter of their wrongdoer.

LAWRENCE PUMFREY has been working in the UK film industry for nearly 10 years, as a freelance script consultant and editor for the BFI, Icon UK, Kudos and DMC. Balancing film and TV development work with a life as a singersongwriter in indie band Beach Baby. Having left the music industry behind him, he's now decided to stop just advising other writers and to have a go himself. *Peakland* – a grim British-Western – is his first feature-length script.

THE BURNING HILL

by DOMINIC FLINT

Directed by IAN ARYEH Composer RUPERT CROSS

A thriller set in Brazil where the botched robbery of a young British ex-soldier by two desperate teenagers spirals them all into deadly conflict with corrupt cops and favela gangsters.

Having always loved storytelling, DOM FLINT recently had his debut novel published and is now working to realise his ambition to write for film and television. Dom has a particular interest in crime and thrillers. Although drawn to dark themes, he has also written lighter material.

From early years in Ghana, Dom grew up mostly in Essex and London, and now lives on the South Coast. Married to a Brazilian, he spent time living in Brazil and is fascinated by other cultures.

MOTHER WILD

by CLAIRE TAILYOUR

Directed by IAN ARYEH Composer MARCOS D'CRUZE

A pregnant woman on the run from a pandemic is forced to raise her half beast daughter in wilderness. Can maternal love run out?

CLAIRE TAILYOUR was born in Johannesburg but grew up in the UK and USA. She has an MFA from USC and directs television including Jimmy McGovern's *Moving On*.

Whilst starting out in LA, Claire wrote web series and assisted screenwriter Mark Goffman (*West Wing, Law and Order, Sleepy Hollow*). Her first script *Turnpike* was a semi-finalist in the Sundance Script Lab and the Academy Nicholl Fellowship.

Claire has written short films including Sundance London/Langham's *Ruby's Skin* starring Olivia Cooke and Directors UK/Arri's *Belittled* starring Kiran Sonia Sawar (nominated Best Writer, Underwire '19).





CAST FOR ALL THREE PIECES

Director

Dench Arnold

Actor NAOMI ACKIE Hamilton Hodell

Actor JONATHAN AJAYI Markham, Froggatt and Irwin

Actor FRANK BLAKE

Curtis Brown Actor

BRENDAN COYLE

The Artist's Partnership

Actor TARA FITZGERALD United Agents

Actor IAN HART ARG talent

Actor TOHEEB JIMOH Troika

Actor LUCIAN MSAMATI Diamond Management

Actor JACK O'CONNELL Conway van Gelder Grant

2020 SHORTLISTED WRITERS

BEN COHEN Ability JANET MOORE My Decision's Made MATT HEALEY Her Majesty's Rat-catcher CHARLES ENTSIE No String's Attached KAIYA STONE Grim ISLA URE The Tides ALEX BEATTIE Poker Dollface

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BAFTA ROCLIFFE NEW WRITING SHOWCASE – TV COMEDY 2020

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is a Rocliffe alumni and Broadcast Hotshot whose writing credits include Netflix's *Chilling Adventures* of Sabrina, EastEnders and *Cucumber/Banana*.



JOANNA SCANLAN

is a BAFTA-nominated actor and writer whose credits include *Getting On*, *No Offence* and *How to Build a Girl*. She also had a production company with Vicki Pepperdine called George & George Co.

BEN FARRELL is Chief Creati at Objective Fi

is Chief Creative Officer at Objective Fiction and a BAFTA-nominated producer whose credits include *Feel*

Good. Year of the Rabbit and

Tracey Ullman's Show.

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FARAH ABUSHWESHA

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2020 Comedy Jury

BEN CAUDELL Comedy Commissioniong Editor, BBC CATHERINE WILLIS Casting Director, The Duchess, Flowers DANIEL LAWRENCE TAYLOR Actor & Writer, Hunderby, Timewasters ELLA JONES Director, Enterprise, Fully Blown KEVIN CECIL Writer, Veep, Year of the Rabbit LARA SINGER Development Producer, Big Talk LOIS GRATION Creative Assistant, Original Series UK, Netflix PETE THORNTON Head of Scripted, UKTV SASKIA SCHUSTER Head of Scripted, Fulwell 73 TANYA QURESHI Head of Comedy, Various Artist Ltd TIM ALLSOP Head of Comedy & Entertainment, Spelthorne Community Television

2020 Comedy Panel

ADAM LAVIS Director, SpareBNB, Pitch Invaders ALICE SEABRIGHT Writer & Director, Chloe, Sex Education ALICE OIHA Development & Production Assistant, Searchlight Pictures ANJLI MOHINDRA Actor, Bodyguard, Dr Who ANNA EMERSON Writer, Mission Improbable, Sketchtopia CHARLIE COOMBES Scripted Development Producer, Beano Studios CHARLIE PERKINS Head of Comedy, Blink Industries DAVE COHEN Comedy Writer & Coach, Author, Podcaster, Sitcom Geeks ELAINE GRACIE Writer & Actor, End-O IAN ARYEH Director, In The Long Run JACK GILCHRIST Junior Agent, Casarotto Ramsey & Associates GEORGE KANE Director, Timewasters HELENA MURPHY Development Executive, Hartswood Films HOLLIE EBDON Director, Ebdon Management HUGH SACHS Actor, Family Tree, Benidorm IAMIE LEE O'DONNELL Actress, Derry Girls, The Cripple of Inishmaan JANETTE LINDEN Agent, PBJ Management KATE KENNEDY Actress & Writer, Handy KAYLEIGH LLEWELLYN Writer, In My Skin, Killing Eve LIZZIE BATES Writer, Mission Improbable, Sketchtopia LOUISA HARLAND Actress, Derry Girls NAT LUURTSEMA Writer & Director, Island Queen, War Paint NICOLE PAGLIA Writer, Deadendia, 101 Dalmation Street RICHARD BODEN Director, Blackadder Goes Fourth, The IT Crowd RUTH TRIPPITT Script Editor, Wildseed Studios SUSAN JACOBSON Director, Handy TONY COOKE Writer, Tracey Ullman's Show, The Amelia Gething Complex

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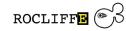
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BADASS

by SARAH MILLS

Directed by SUSAN JACOBSON Composer ROSHAN GUNGA

She's looking for love - and a tumour up her bum isn't going to get in the way of that.

SARAH MILLS is a writer-performer. She has written, produced and starred in her own series of sketches and the Chemo Chat Show on YouTube, with guests like Dara O Briain, Phil Wang and Judge Rinder. She also writes for papers including the Metro and the Telegraph, produced unscripted TV and is the creator of a photo series on Instagram raising awareness of invisible disability. Badass is her first sitcom, written during lockdown and is inspired by personal experience - "It's fun to do stand up comedy around how my bum tried to kill me."

DARREN & SHELLEY (ANIMATED COMEDY SERIES) by ALISTAIR LINSELL

Directed by SUSAN JACOBSON Composer GARETH MURPHY

Odd-couple animated comedy series about internet fame obsessed Darren (20s), and sophisticated intellectual Shelley, the world's only talking pig.

ALISTAIR LINSELL Alistair is a writer, improviser, science presenter, and nuclear engineer, which is something of a portfolio career. He is best known for Outrageous Acts of Science which ran for 6 series and ranks in the top ten hour broadcasts in the history of the Science Channel. He has written several sketch and narrative comedy shows which have been performed at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. He has had material broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra as part of NewsJack. Darren and Shelley is his second pilot script, the first being Grey Hat, a sitcom that follows a dysfunctional team of GCHQ hackers.

BLACK CABS

by CHRISTOPHER MAUDSLEY

Directed by SUSAN JACOBSON Composer ROSHAN GUNGA

In eighteenth century York, Nathaniel and friends compete with rivals and racial prejudice to create a sedan-chair start-up, becoming central to the local abolition movement.

A proud Northerner and history-lover, CHRISTOPHER MAUDSLEY's absurd broadcastban short Gerry's Voice played at London Short Film Festival and the punk baby-naming trauma, El Rey at Manchester Kinofilm. His semiautobiographical Rat Tail was a finalist in Shore Scripts 2019 and he wrote an experimental neck-based short Nape for the Film Hub North / BFI Network Northern Exposure scheme. His short script, Ten Men Stood in a Field in France, was long-listed for Enter the Pitch, developed from his feature screenplay, Albion (a pacifist Shawshank, in Esperanto). He is currently completing comedy-horror spec-script Tobin's Spirit Guide - anyone have Dan Aykroyd's email?





CAST

MARK BONNAR Hatton McEwan Penford

AMER CHADHA-PATEL Insight Management & Production

United Agents

RON COOK Independent Talent

Independent Talent

ADAM GILLEN

Gordon and French

WERUCHE OPIA Curtis Brown

B-Side Management

KEDAR WILLIAMS-STIRLING 42

2020 SHORTLISTED WRITERS

LUKE FROST Downhill MATT ZEQIRI & OLIVER KINDEBERG Dummies ALEXA BERRY I Really Want to Punch You ACK HARRIS Leading the Blind RAYNA CAMPBELL Marriage, Single, WTF? CAROLINE TOPOUZOGLOU & JASKARAN SAHOTA Pearshaped STEVE MONGER Rewind

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