FILM, THEATRE AND TV

Overview

Film, Theatre and TV graduates typically look to at a wide range of media related roles including acting, broadcasting, production, stage management and direction, not to forget animation, VFX, design and technical roles. Other creative roles might also be attractive and can include Advertising, Marketing and PR. Arts related roles are also worth mentioning such as arts administration and community arts.

Roles

The following profiles are available on Prospects (www.prospects.ac.uk).

- Actor
- Animator
- Broadcast Journalist
- Community Arts Worker
- Digital Copywriter
- Editorial Assistant
- Film Director
- Film/Video Editor
- Location Manager
- Newspaper Journalist
- PR Officer
- Programme Researcher
- Production (set) Designer for film, television and theatre
- Radio Producer
- Runner
- TV Camera Operator
- Theatre Manager
- Theatre Director

Finding Opportunities

Getting into the creative industry is notoriously competitive, with few visible jobs advertised but the following sites can carry roles from time to time.

- BBC, ITV jobs, Channel 4 (check all other similar organisations for vacancies and grad internships)
- JournoResources lists many of the journalist training schemes on offer
- thecallsheet.co.uk for TV and film jobs
- thetalentmanager.co.uk (free site used by many film and TV companies)
- Creative and Cultural Skills website (ccskills.org.uk) carries theatre jobs
- thestage.co.uk (theatre roles)
- Indeed or Total Jobs are very useful for a search to find any creative roles.
A creative jobs search may be required to unearth vacancies through applying speculatively. Sites that may be able to help are listed below.

- theknowledgeonline.com (really useful directory for companies in film, tv and media support)
- thebookseller.com is helpful for publishing
- The Theatre Trust includes a comprehensive list of UK theatres.

**Building Experience**

Relevant work experience gained while you study is absolutely essential to get into the creative sector. Grab any opportunities available on campus, such as through Student Media – which is particularly relevant if you are interested in a writing career.

- Facebook group: People who work in TV – Runners
- productionhub.com (global directory of production crews, locations, actors, etc.)
- mediavolt.co.uk (key for acting roles)
- MyJobsonline is useful in finding temp marketing experiences such as student ambassador roles or opportunities within the Reading Internship Scheme.
- The News Media Association (newsmediauk.org) (lists of local newspapers to apply for speculative work)
- publishersglobal.com can help you find publishers to target.

Many of the web links listed on the previous page under Finding Opportunities also carry work experience opportunities.

**Exploring Further**

An absolutely key website to use to get a thorough understanding of choices and explore further is screenskills.com.

The skills and knowledge you have gained in your degree will be valuable in a wide range of roles and job sectors. If you are not sure what you want or want to explore other roles not listed in this help sheet but don’t know where to start why not visit the Explore pages of our website or book an appointment with one of our Career Consultants?