

BFI NETWORK Connect + Collab Summer 2021: Writer and/or Director Application (APPLICATION PREVIEW)

BFI NETWORK teams at Film Hub South West, South East and Midlands are once again coming together to run an online networking event for writers, directors and writer-directors based in our regions who are looking for a UK-based producer to collaborate with on a short form narrative project that they intend to submit to the BFI NETWORK Short Film Fund.

The event will run via online platform Deal Room on **Thursday 12 August 2021** between 9am and 8pm and enable talent to book private 121s with those whose profiles indicate they might be possible future collaborators.

Accessibility:

We are committed to accessibility and we will do everything we can to remove possible barriers to attendance so please let us know how we can make the experience as useful and comfortable as possible.

Who can apply:

Participation in the BFI NETWORK Connect + Collab is free and open to directors and writer-directors from South West, South East and Midlands of England as defined by the BFI ([BFI UK nations and regions map](#)) who are actively working on a short form narrative project that they intend to submit to the BFI NETWORK Short Film Fund. As space is limited, there is a selection process before your attendance is confirmed.

To apply you must be:

- 18 or over
- Not in full-time education
- A current, full-time resident in the South West, South East and Midlands of England as defined by the BFI ([BFI UK nations and regions map](#))
- Able to demonstrate a willingness to collaborate with a UK-based producer
- Actively be working on a narrative short film project (under 15 minutes) that would be eligible for the BFI NETWORK Short Film Fund ([download the guidelines here](#))
- Available to attend the online event on Thursday 12 August 2021 9am-8pm for either the full day or part of the day.

Timeline:

- Mon 21 Jun 2021 Applications open
- Mon 12 Jul 2021 Applications close (11:59pm)

- Mon 26 Jul 2021 Applicants notified
- Thu 12 Aug 2021 Event date 9am-8pm

* = *Required*

1. *Are you...

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* 2. Full name:

* 3. Contact email address:

* 4. In what postcode is your current South West, South East or Midlands home located?

5. Do you have any access requirement we can cater for i.e. do you require us to provide a BSL interpreter?

Your experience

* 6. Biography. Please tell us about your work and track record (max 200 words or a link to a short video max 2 minutes)

7. If available, please provide a link which exemplifies your previously produced film work

8. Have you taken part in a BFI NETWORK Connect + Collab event before?

- Yes
- No

Your project

9. In which genre does your story operate?

10. Please provide a story outline of your short film idea (max 300 words, or a link to a short video max 3 minutes)

11. Please tell us why you are excited about telling this story and why you are you're the best person to tell it? (max 200 words or a link to a short video max 2 minutes)

12. Are you prepared/in a position to share a 5-page sample of your script or previous work with producers if requested?

- Yes
- No

Thank you for submitting your application. We aim to inform you of the outcome of your application by Monday 26 July 2021.