



INSIDE INDEPENDENT PRODUCTION

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Learning Objectives

- ★ I can explain what is meant by independent production and how it fits into the TV and film industries.
- ★ I can identify different job roles and list a variety of pathways into careers in the TV and film industries.
- ★ I can reflect upon the skills and qualities needed to succeed in these industries and apply them to my own experiences.
- ★ I can understand what I need to do to build a career in independent production.



Discussion question

Within the TV and film industries, what do you think is meant by 'independent production'?



Did you know?

- + Independent production companies are also known as 'indies'.
- + Popular TV programmes such as *The Traitors*, *Gavin and Stacey*, *I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!* are all made by indies.
- + UK indie films include *Rocks*, *Kensuke's Kingdom* and *Scrapper*.



Watch the following video and answer these questions

1. How do indies fit into the wider TV and film industries?
2. What skills do you need to succeed in these industries?



Meet Dhanny

DHANNY JOSHI

Executive Producer
Big Deal Films



BIG DEAL FILMS

Big Deal Films is a BAFTA winning and Emmy nominated, diverse-led production company with a passion for innovation and inclusive storytelling.



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Meet Nicola

QUAY STREET
PRODUCTIONS



NICOLA SHINDLER

Executive Producer & CEO
Quay Street Productions

Quay Street is a Manchester-based indie set up by multi award-winning producer Nicola Schindler and makes contemporary, provocative, entertaining and engaging drama.

Listen to Nicola talk about how she found her way to her ideal career.

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Finding the right path

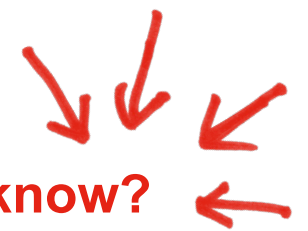
Nicola's Journey



Dhanny's Journey



1. Is this what you would have ~~expected?~~
2. Can you think of any other pathways or routes into independent production?

Did you know? 

University is not a requirement to get into TV and film.

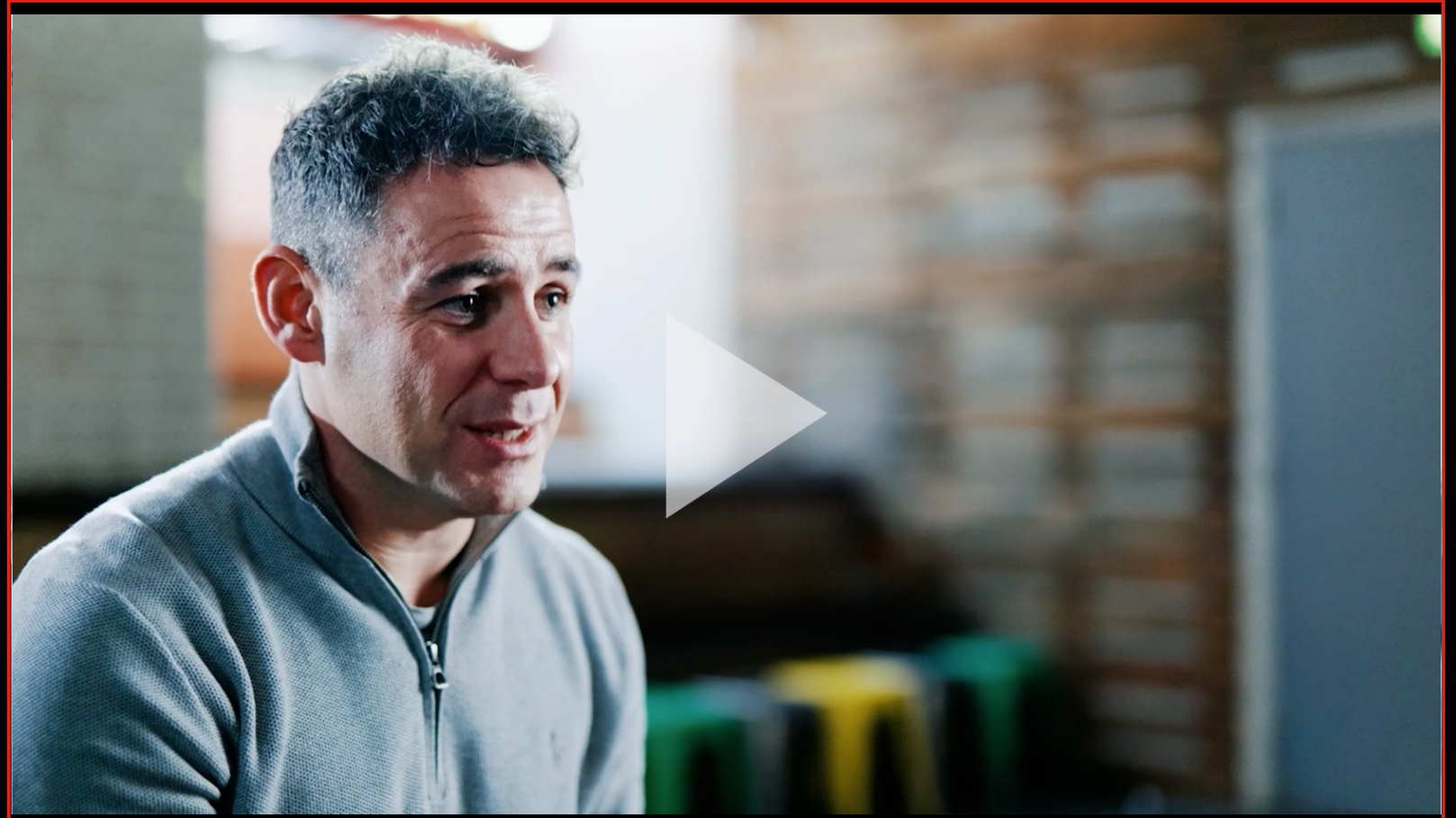
Meet Kieran

KIERAN DOHERTY
Co-Founder & CEO
Stellify Media



Stellify is an award-winning indie based in Belfast and specialises in entertainment and factual entertainment programmes.

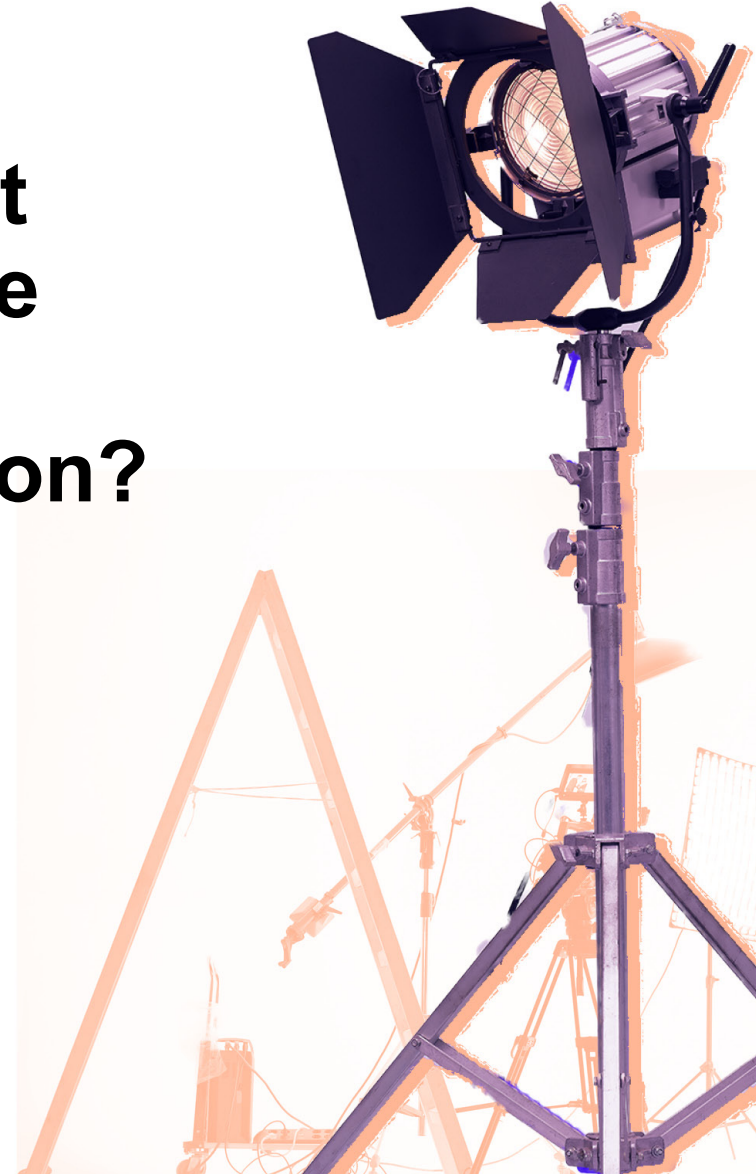
Watch Kieran talk about why the voice of young people is important in the TV and film industries.



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Why do you think it is important to have youth voice in independent production?



Meet Sue, Debbie and Steven



SUE VERTUE, DEBBIE VERTUE & STEVEN MOFFAT

Hartwood Films is one of the UK's longest-running indies and creates award-winning drama and comedy series for broadcasters and platforms across the world.

Watch this clip and note the different jobs mentioned.

Can you think of any more roles in independent production?

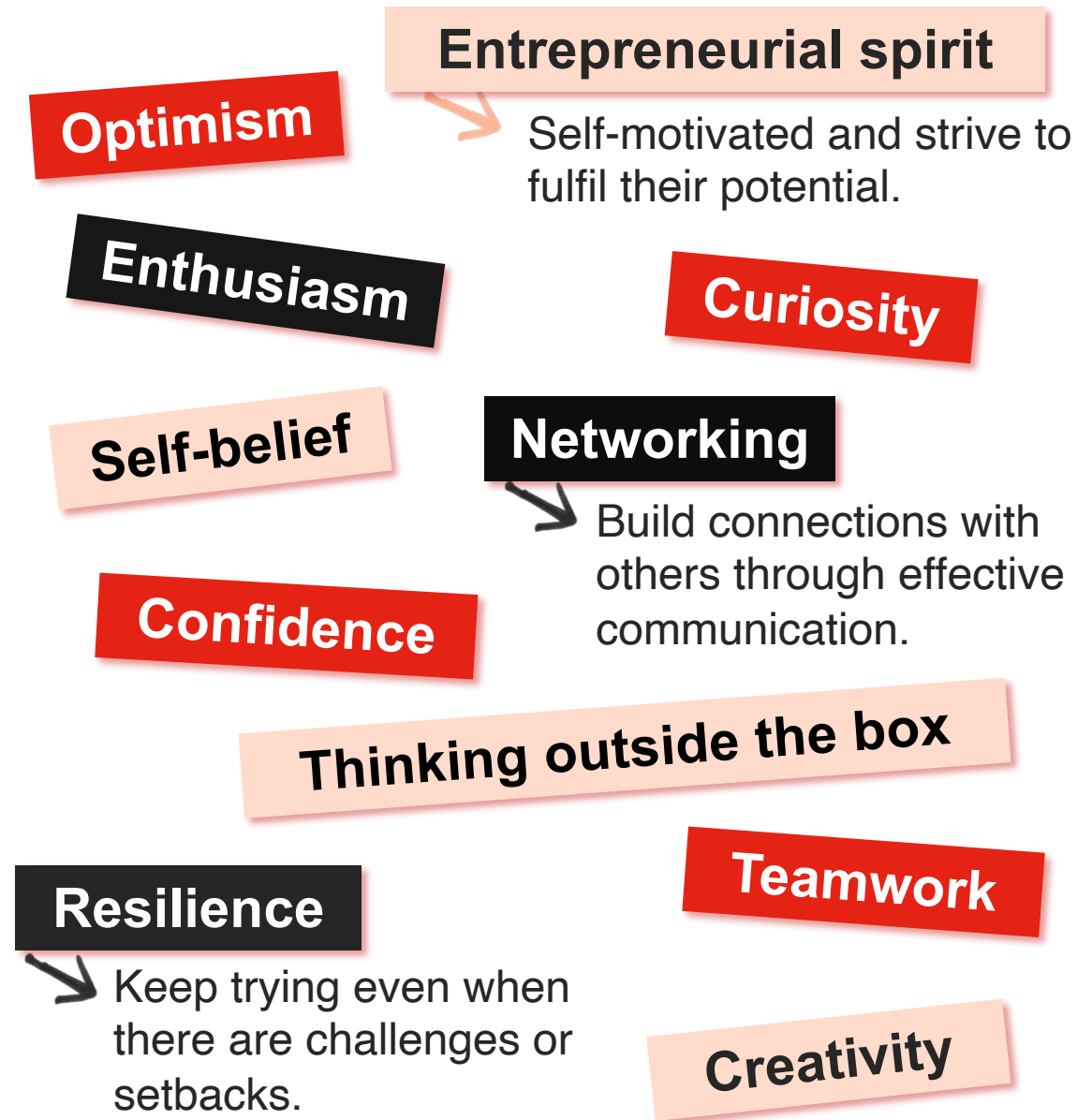


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Your skills and qualities

You will have heard that all of these skills and qualities are important in building a career in independent production.

- + Choose three and, in pairs, discuss examples of how you have demonstrated them and what you could do to develop them in the future.
- + Think about examples from both within and outside of education.



Careers advice

- + Imagine you are a careers adviser at your school or college and one of your students is interested in a career in independent production.
- + Think about what you have heard today and make a list of the key information and advice you might give them.



Next steps

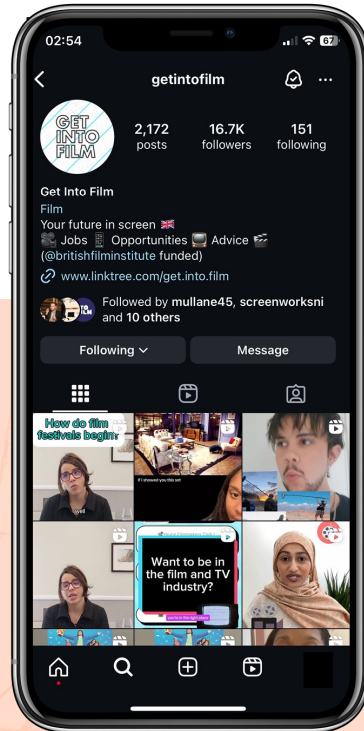
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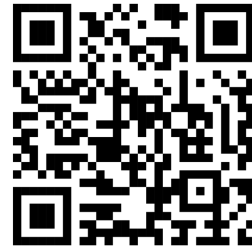
Opportunities and careers in the screen industries



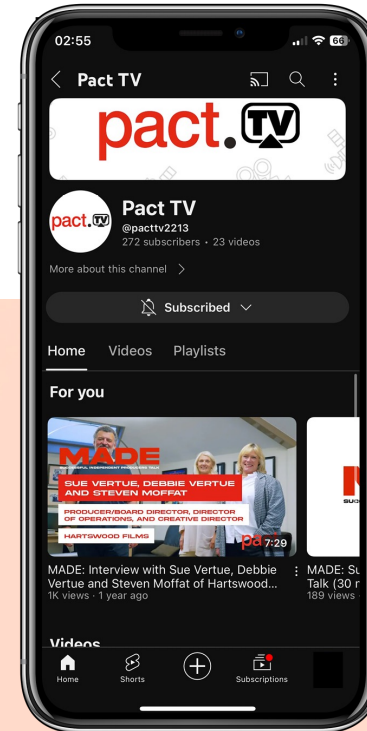
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