

Pact reveals successful Future 30 indies

Thirty new and emerging indies from across the UK have been selected to take part in the Pact Future 30 scheme.

As part of its 30th anniversary celebrations, Pact issued a national call out to find 30 of the UK's most exciting new indies who have the potential to become the sector's gamechangers of the future.

Indies had to submit a two minute video to explain why they should be chosen for the scheme, and an expert panel including Laura Marshall, Icon Films; Laura Bessell, Argonon; Billy Macqueen, Darrall Macqueen; Jane Kelly, Big Mountain Productions; Julie Baines, Dan Films, Gwenda Carnie, Cardiff Productions; Thomasina Gibson, Heroes Productions; and Hakan Kousetta, 60Forty Films have been judging hundreds of applications over the past month.

Pact is pleased to announce that the following companies have been selected for the scheme, which includes two years' free Pact membership and a supercharged, tailored development programme with access to industry experts to help them to develop and grow their businesses, as well as all of the regular member benefits including free legal and business affairs advice, regular TV commissioner briefings and access to the Pact Growth Accelerator.

Born This Way Media Ltd - London

Particle6 - Berkshire

Bowled Over Media Ltd - Surrey

Phoenix Television - Hampshire

Caspian Films - Kent

Reel Soul Movies – Bath

ClockWork Films - Leeds

Rope Ladder Fiction - Manchester

Daddy's SuperYacht Productions - Somerset

Skye Films Ltd - Scotland

Dark Pictures Limited - London

SLNda Limited - Essex

Earthling Films - London

Spirit Media Studios Ltd - London

HopSkip Studios Ltd - Belfast

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Loop - London

Wander Films - Middlesbrough

Milk and Honey Productions – London

Pan Yard - Birmingham

Pact Chair and CEO of 60Forty Films, Hakan Kousetta, said: "The judges were blown away by the calibre of the entries and it was difficult to reach a final 30. It's a good sign for the future of British TV and film that we have so much talent coming through. Well done to the successful applicants and we look forward to working with them over the next two years to help them develop their businesses."

The Ultimate Indie Xmas Party

To bring industry together after a difficult 18 months, Pact is organising the ultimate Indie Xmas Party to be held at Old Billingsgate, London on Friday 17th December. This is a not-for-profit event designed to be affordable for all sizes of indies and we are excited to confirm that Boy George will be DJing at the event. We will also have comedy, tributes and a three course dinner followed by dancing. Tickets are on sale now [here](#).

Pact is asking people to nominate who they think should receive a tribute at the party. We are looking for individuals and indies who have been instrumental in delivering disruption, innovation and creativity in the indie sector over the past three decades. We want to hear about those game-changers who have contributed to the global success of the UK film and TV industry, and who have made a lasting impact through their productions, practices or personal leadership. More information about how to make a nomination can be found [here](#).

Pact CEO, John McVay said: "The Ultimate Indie Xmas Party is an opportunity for indies, broadcasters, streamers and industry to come together and celebrate not just 30 years of a successful UK indie TV and film sector, but to see colleagues and friends in the same room having not been able to do so for nearly 2 years.

"We are looking to honour people who have made a difference over the past 30 years and I would encourage anyone in the industry to spend 10 minutes nominating a person, or a company who they think deserves a tribute. We look forward to seeing everyone on 17th December for what will be a fantastic celebration of indie success over the past three decades."

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Images can be found at: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/j3moqlr6ubzzcnn/AABqSi66xB7fghqA8lyuLJGLa?dl=0>

If you need larger versions of any of the images please e-mail membercomms@pact.co.uk.

Pact Future30 Participants – quotes, logos, images

Born This Way Media Ltd



Max Barber – Creative Director, Founder

Samantha Renke – Head of Talent / Producer, Founder

"We've always been in this tricky race to push the diverse agenda further - and we are by no means lacking the stories, ideas and talent we have up our sleeves. But now it looks like Future 30 has given us a wicked pair of running shoes and a can of Redbull!"

Bowled Over Media Ltd



Heidi Gomes – Creative Director

“What an honour to be chosen for this prestigious scheme! I’m thrilled and so grateful to Pact. The support, expertise, and mentorship from industry leaders is what I’ve been craving, and to have 29 peers to work with and cheerlead one another, means the world”.

Caspian Films



Georgie Paget – Co-Founder

Thembisa Cochrane – Co-Founder

“It’s a huge privilege to be selected as one of Pact’s Future30, and we’re excited to have this gamechanging opportunity to develop what we do at Caspian Films with the support of an organisation that has been championing disruption, creativity and innovation for 30 years. We love producing for screen because it’s such a collaborative process, and with Pact that pleasure of collaboration extends beyond individual projects to the industry as a whole. We’re delighted to be a part of that.”

ClockWork Films



Heenan Bhatti – Director and Executive Producer

“We’re delighted and honoured to be selected for the Pact Future30 Programme, which comes at an important time for the company. After a successful start-up, we’re setting our sights on ClockWork’s medium-term growth. These ambitions chime perfectly with the structure and ambitions of the programme.”

Daddy's SuperYacht Productions



Benjamin Sutton – Creative Director
Charlie Dinkin – Scripted Comedy
Kevin Muyolo – Unscripted Comedy
Laura Shaw – Head of Production

"The Daddies are all absolutely delighted to be included in the Pact Future30 scheme. It's been a challenging year for all indies but especially as a new start-up finding our feet has been tough. To be recognised by Pact for our efforts is really heart-warming. We're super excited to get stuck in and meet the other companies. Massive thanks to Pact and everyone else who's helped us so far."

Dark Pictures Limited

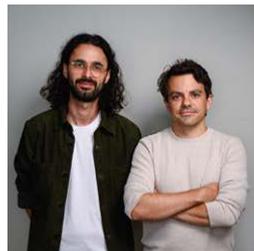


Yaw Basoah – Founder

"We are delighted to be part of the Pact Future30 and can't think of a better springboard to help achieve the company's goals over the next 2 years."

Earthling Films

EARTHLING



Ross Bolidai – Founder, Director

Matt Diegan – Founder, Producer

"We're thrilled to have been selected for the Future30 scheme and can't wait to get stuck into the development program, make the most of all Pact has to offer and also meet the other companies involved!"

HopSkip Studios Ltd



Kate Finn – Creative Director

Aisling Gallagher – Co-Director

"We are thrilled to be selected for the Pact Future30 scheme. This programme of support and advice from industry leaders has the potential to fast-track HopSkip Studios to the global success we are striving for. Being part of the Future30 scheme will help empower us with the knowledge and confidence to operate in markets both in the UK and internationally and put us in a position to re-invest in the UK production industry. We are excited about the future and ready to get started."

Indefinite Films



Kate Cook – Partner, Producer

Bruce Goodison – Partner, Filmmaker

"It's a real honour to have our [Indefinite Films] potential recognised by an organisation like PACT who are at the forefront of our industry. As an emerging regional indie, their support and expertise couldn't come at a better time as we look to grow our company by anchoring our ambitions for producing headline grabbing drama out of Bristol and expanding our reach beyond the UK. Receiving mentoring and guidance that's tailored to that journey will be invaluable to our future."

Insight TWI Films

INSIGHT
FILMS



Clive Patterson – Producer, Director

Hugh Davies – Producer

"Pact is a wonderful resource for independent filmmakers and production companies. We're honoured to be chosen for the Pact Future30 scheme and look forward to engaging with and learning from the mentors, industry experts and, of course, our fellow selectees on this exciting scheme."

Kailash Films



Gwen Hughes – Founder

"As an ambitious, female-led, award-winning factual indie based in the Nations & Regions, Kailash Films is delighted to be selected for Pact's Future30 scheme. We are very much looking forward to getting started and can't wait to meet the other companies from across the sector. This is an exciting opportunity to grow and develop Kailash and take us to new heights!"

Little Bird Films



Tammy Kennedy – Co-Founder, Creative Director

Louise Bray – Co-founder, Managing Director

"As a female-led company based in Wales, we are thrilled at being recognised by Pact for our forward-thinking approach to flexible working and providing opportunities to women and working mums."

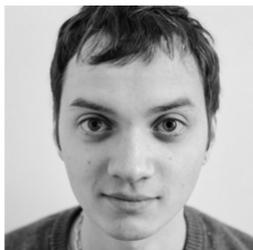
Little Monk Pictures



Nadia Jaynes – CEO

"We're delighted at being selected as one of Pact's Future30. As a growing northern indie, it's fantastic to get industry recognition and to receive this invaluable support from Pact."

Loop



Catherine Bray – Co-Founder, Company Director

Anthony Ing – Co-Founder, Company Director

Charlie Shackleton – Co-Founder, Company Director

"Being selected as one of the Future30 companies means that we can now really begin to focus on our long-term strategy rather than our current short-term approach. With the incredible support package attached to the scheme, we are confident that we can continue to create imaginative and authentic content to successfully build on growing the business."

Milk and Honey Productions

MILK&HONEY



Lucy Pilkington – Founder, MD

Pan Yard

Pan / Yard



Cassie Quarless – Founder

"I'm incredibly excited to be part of the Pact Future30 scheme. I look forward to meeting the other selected indies and their leaders. I'm also really looking forward to learning from Pact and its industry collaborators."

Particle6

PARTICLE6
PRODUCTIONS



Eline van der Velden – Executive Producer

"Our team at Particle6 is thrilled to be selected for the Pact Future30. The viral success of our content over the past few years has really encouraged us to push further into both factual and scripted, with a continued focus in comedy, science and other popular entertainment genres. We believe our inclusion in this program will propel Particle6 to even greater heights, bringing our expertise in knowing what resonates with the public to broader broadcast, cable and streaming clients."

Phoenix Television



Miles Jarvis – Managing Director

Jaimi West – Creative Director

"This brilliant opportunity comes at the perfect moment for the Phoenix team when we're ready to take our company into the next exciting chapter. We can't wait to get started, thank you!"

Reel Soul Movies



Shelley Williams – Director, Producer

"Delighted to hear that Reel Soul Movies has been chosen to take part in Pact Future30; we can't wait to meet the other participants & get started on this unique scheme."

Rope Ladder Fiction



Cameron Roach – Founder

"I'm thrilled that Rope Ladder Fiction has been selected as one of Pact's Future30. A robust and future thinking independent production community is vital to the lifeblood of creativity and innovation in our sector."

Skye Films



Lena Vurma – Founder

"I am so thrilled to be chosen as one of the most exciting up and coming production"

companies in the UK. I am looking forward to meeting the other 29 participants and learning about their business models - a great kick-off for future collaborations. As a Tribeca Film Institute and Film Independent Fellow, eave and Inside Pictures alumni as well as a ScreenSkills UK mentor, I know how valuable these networks are and cannot wait to get started with Pact Future30!"

SLNda



Nagajan Modhwadia – Founder, CEO, Producer

Laura Russell – Head of Development

Ashley Walters – Founder, Producer, Actor

"Legal support and experienced industry insight are the missing pieces in our company. With Pact behind SLNda, we can achieve so much more! This truly means the world to us. Thank you, Pact!"

Spirit Media Studios

The logo for Spirit Media Studios, featuring the word "Spirit." in a bold, orange, sans-serif font.



Peter Cowley – CEO

"As Spirit continues to disrupt the industry on our journey to become a powerhouse indie of the future, we welcome the help and support that Pact and its network can provide."

Studio BE



Brandon Relph – CEO

"We are delighted to be named in Pact's Future30. As relative newbies to the industry, we are excited to meet many others in the scheme and across the wider Pact community. We hope we can grow our work in bringing more young people into the industry to create fantastic content for teens and young adults!"

Studio Something



Andy Maas – Co-Founder
Jordan Laird – Co-Founder

"Studio Something is absolutely thrilled to be invited onto the Pact Future30, as a relatively new company in this industry you can find that most of your time is spent focussed on productions, your head is down working away. So, it is a lovely feeling when something like this comes along forces you to take a moment and look up to see that the path you are going on is acknowledged and appreciated. We can't wait to get working together and see what comes of the next two years."

Teen Club



Savannah James-Bayly – Co-Founder
Loran Dunn – Co-Founder
Sorcha Bacon – Co-Founder

"With Teen Club we want to think big - creating commercial, positive, queer content for young audiences, with a global reach, whilst remaining fiercely independent and always authentic in voice. We hope being selected as one of Pact Future30 will help us build on the foundations we've laid for the company, and foster connections that help us achieve our long ambition of being a recognised and trusted brand for these types of stories."

Three Tables Limited



Jun (JT) Wong – Co-Founder, MD
David Chikwe – Co-Founder, Producer
Himesh Kar – Co-Founder, Producer

"We are absolutely delighted to have been selected for the Future30. As a diverse-led indie, it's great to be recognised as an exciting company in our industry - and we are really excited about the opportunities that Pact is offering to help us move to the next level. Pact have been so engaged and supportive over the difficult period of the pandemic, so we're eager to see what they have planned for us in this scheme."

Threewise Entertainment



Michael Ford – Founder & Head of Content

“As we celebrate our own 1st Birthday, Threewise is delighted to have been chosen by Pact to help celebrate their 30th. Being recognised as part of Future30 will propel the business even further in Years 2 and 3, and myself and the team can’t wait to meet and share great stories with our fellow ‘future’ alumni”

Walk On Air Films



Rachel Hooper – Creative Director

Martha O Kane – MD

Wander Films



Lou Tonner – MD

Chloe Clover – Creative Director

"We are completely stoked to have been selected for Pact Future30! This opportunity will really help Wander grow and enable us to explore new areas of our business. Being able to learn from those that have achieved incredible things in our industry and to have access to mentors who have walked in our shoes is invaluable to a company like ours as we scale up. It's gonna be sick!"

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