Screen - Young People

Being a TV presenter is far from simply standing in front of a camera and smiling - the role of the TV presenter is to be the face of the production team and to deliver the content of the programme in an informed and entertaining way.

This course is for any young person who aspires to be a TV presenter and students will learn the very distinct set of skills needed to present live television and capture audience attention.

This weekend course is led by BBC presenter Cat Cubie and by the end of the course, students will have gained a solid understanding of the necessary skills required by a TV presenter.

**WHO IS THE COURSE FOR?**

This course is for any young person aged between 15-17 who wants to learn more about working in television.

By the end of the weekend students will have:

- explored various presenting skills and developed their own unique TV personality
- covered the basics of working in television and learnt relevant terminology
- developed various presenting skills including interviewing, talking to camera and adlibbing
- gained experience of voiceovers and vocal delivery
- had the opportunity to record material, view it and receive feedback on their progress

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

There is no specific entry requirements to this course. Students should be interested in working in television and should be prepared to work hard over the weekend and work with other students.
**INTRODUCTION TO TV PRESENTING**

**VENUE, DATE, COST**

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland  
100 Renfrew Street  
Glasgow, G2 3DB  
5–6 October 2013  
Saturday, 9.30am–4.30pm and Sunday  
11.30am–5.30pm  
£94

**COURSE OUTLINE**

This course aims to help students feel relaxed, confident and competent in the role of television presenter both in a studio setting and on location.

The course will cover the basics of working in television and familiarise you with the terminology and techniques used by contemporary TV presenters. Exploring various presenting styles, you will be encouraged to identify your own unique TV personality and experience the challenges of reading autocue, using an earpiece and working with a camera.

The emphasis will be on practical exercises and ‘as live’ performance. You will be expected to prepare exercises to perform, with opportunities for positive critique and feedback. Students will also learn how to research and write material for broadcast and develop important interview techniques.

Some outside filming experience may be provided, including “vox pop” street interviews.

This course is a great introduction to the world of TV by someone who knows the industry inside and out. Whether you want to become a presenter or you just want to explore the skills involved and try it… who knows where it might lead.

**COURSE TUTOR**

Cat Cubie

Cat has worked in television for 10 years, starting out behind the camera working in production for the BBC (producing, filming and script-writing) before moving on to becoming a TV presenter herself.

Cat has presented for many of the main channels and broadcasters, including BBC, Channel 4, MTV and Sky. She is a hugely experienced presenter having lived and worked in London for eight years before moving back to Glasgow to present the weather for the BBC. Cat has also hosted her own radio show, writes a weekly newspaper column and is an experienced voice-over artist.

**PREPARING FOR YOUR COURSE**

Students should try to watch plenty of television before the course, paying attention to different presenters and their styles. Students should decide on their favourite and least favourite presenters and be ready to chat about the reasons for their choices with other students in the group.

Students should also bring a notepad and pen to make notes during the classes.

Please dress appropriately in loose clothing that covers the body and be prepared to work without shoes if required.

**BOOK YOUR PLACE**

All short courses can be booked online at www.rcs.ac.uk/shortcourses. Please select the course you wish to book and follow the instructions to confirm and pay for your course online.

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