



Toronto Talent Lab, Canada

Toronto Talent Lab and Skillset are excited to present an opportunity for two talented Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) filmmakers to participate in the Talent Lab programme.

Talent Lab is an artistic development programme held during the Toronto International Film Festival that provides emerging talent with an unparalleled creative experience through an introduction to the global community of filmmaking. Over a four-day period, selected participants will be given the opportunity to interact with, and learn from, internationally acclaimed filmmakers.

Participants benefit from the guidance and expertise of Talent Lab guests who have previously included: Terry Gilliam, Gus van Sant, Gurinder Chadha, Kevin Spacey, Neil Jordan, Atom Egoyan and Paul Haggis.

Applications will be assessed and participants chosen through a jury process. On the jury Janine Marmot, Skillset's Director of Film, will be joined by Lenny Crooks and Sally Caplan (UKFC), Chris Collins (producer, My Summer of Love and Brick Lane), Marc Boothe (Bullitt Boy), Noel Clarke (writer/actor in Kidulthood) and Justin Marciano (M.D of distributors Revolver).

Eligibility requirements

We seek applications from highly-motivated, passionate writers, directors and producers who have demonstrable professional experience and credits within their field through the production of the following;

- a feature length fiction or documentary film
or
- two short films, either commissioned by television or which have screened in festivals in the UK and/or abroad.

You must be available from 4th to 9th September 2007 inclusive to travel to Toronto, Canada. Your travel and accommodation will be paid, supported by the British Council.

The joint Skillset and Talent Lab initiative is delivered under clause 37 of the Race Relations Act which allows training organisations to run programmes for people from black and ethnic origin groups which have been demonstrated to be under represented in a particular industry.

How to apply

You can download an application form from our website at www.skillset.org/talentlab. Alternatively you can call 020 7520 5756 or email simong@skillset.org to request a form to be emailed to you.

For more information on the festival visit the [Toronto International Film Festival \(TIFF\)](http://www.tiff.net) website. With thanks to TIFF programme sponsors Castlepoint Realty and Motorola.

The closing date for applications is **12pm Thursday 19 July**. Applications should be delivered or posted to:

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