

TRAINING + OTHER ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES

OUT THERE RIGHT NOW FOR FREELANCERS IN LOCKDOWN

...BROUGHT TO YOU BY JEMMA GANDER & EMMA JONES - TWO DOCUMENTARY PRODUCER / DIRECTORS IN ISOLATION IN EAST LONDON WHO HAVE THE SAME MIDDLE NAME AND SHARE A LOVE OF BOTH MINI LOP RABBITS AND TEA DRINKING!

TALENT MANAGER: They have said they are widening the jobs they offer on their site to other creative industries where we can use our skills - definitely worth keeping an eye on (like we're not all already, in hope that this is all a terrible nightmare and there are jobs out there...) They have also said that over the next couple of weeks they will be curating online training and events including an '**Online TV Club**' - so we can watch and discuss films together, and there will be Q&As with film-makers. Another one to look out for...

SCREENSKILLS: The wonderful Donna Taberer (who's up for trying to get her some sort of Royal recognition when we're out the other side of this madness? Answers on postcards...) has set up, with Screenskills, lots of training that can be done digitally and is FREE. You can find heaps of fantastic industry sessions as well as yoga and other complimentary sessions to boot, including daily tea breaks over Zoom (anyone else out there wishing they took out shares in Zoom before all this started? Again, answers on postcards...) with an ex-industry Mental Health First Aid trainer (Emma did a Mental Health First Aid course with her earlier this year, and Jemma was hoping to skip along to one of her taster sessions - that was before we all had to stay in, and the world stopped...)

Here's a few handy links to all of that:

1- For the ScreenSkills courses and sessions: <https://www.screenskills.com/training-courses/search/#/> & <https://www.screenskills.com/events/>

2- For more about the amazing ex-industry MHFA lady that is Jude Spencer: <https://www.facebook.com/JudeSpencerMHTrainer/>

SOHO EDITORS: NOT free but they have dropped their prices for freelancers to train through their online courses: <https://sohoeditors.com/search/training/location/Online-Classroom>

NO FILM SCHOOL: Currently offering FREE online ARRI courses. You can also find information about other free software available online, giving us further filmmaking tools: <https://nofilmschool.com/free-list-covid-19-software>

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY: Have also opened up a load of courses in case you fancy adding a string to your bow: <https://www.open.edu/openlearn/free-courses/full-catalogue>

DOC NYC: Offering *some* FREE webinars and online sessions - things like funding - which could broaden our TV minds! Even the ones that cost look relatively cheap so when that government financial support finally hits, this might be something to invest in if we're all still kicking about: <https://www.docnyc.net/featured/filmmaker-resources-during-cov-19-outbreak/>

FUTURE LEARN: Offering FREE online courses. Jemma has done a screenplay one in the past but they cover a whole host of different online short courses: <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses>

BBC: Runs courses through Future Learn (above) which may be more applicable to us. These are coming soon so keep an eye out: <https://www.futurelearn.com/organisations/bbc>

YALE AND HARVARD, and other US Universities: Offer FREE online lectures and courses - some languages are available which might be of interest! Again, another string for us all - when we're back holiday'ing (those will be the days...) or for those foreign shoots: <https://oyc.yale.edu/courses> & <https://www.edx.org/course/subject/language>

If it's time to finally edit that independent project you have never had time for in the past, or get a showreel together...

ADOBE: Unless you already use Premiere, this would be a self-teach one (which Emma is currently attempting to do, to re-cut her shooting reel) but Adobe Creative Cloud offer 7 day FREE trials and for this period we believe are waiving further costs for creatives for 2 months - according to a friend it's as simple as this:

- 1- Go into your account and under 'Plans' click 'My plans' and then 'Cancel account'
- 2- Click the 'Too expensive' option and 'Continue'
- 3- Click through details to offers - there is one that is \$0 for 2 months - select that one and from there 'Accept offer' > You're done!

AVID: You can get a FREE 30 day trial on Avid too right now: <https://connect.avid.com/media-composer-trial-EMEA.html>