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RTS SCOTLAND ANNOUNCES SHORTLIST FOR 2023 PROGRAMME AWARDS

RTS Scotland today reveals the nominees for its annual Programme Awards, ahead of the winners being announced at an award ceremony in Glasgow on 8 June, with presenters Shereen Cutkelvin and Sanjeev Kohli.

The Awards recognise and celebrate the best talent, skills and creativity across TV production in 2022. Juries have been meeting for the past month, with the unenviable task of whittling entries down to a shortlist across 24 categories including Drama, Writer, Specialist Factual, Children's, Animation and Young TV Journalist. The full list of nominees can be found below.

Stephen O'Donnell, Chair of RTS Scotland, said: *"It's a hugely impressive line-up of nominees and the juries have had an incredibly difficult task. Congratulations to all those shortlisted! We can't wait to come together to celebrate the wealth of talent across our industry on the 8th of June."*

To buy tickets for the RTS Scotland Programme Awards please visit www.rts.org.uk/scotland or click [here](#).

The RTS is an educational charity promoting the art and science of television, organising informative and entertaining events and making connections with professionals across the industry and those hoping to break into television.

The RTS Scotland Programme Awards 2023 are sponsored by Channel 4, ScreenSkills HETV Skills Fund, BBC Studios and Nerve. They are also supported by Screen Scotland and Celia Sinclair (Young Journalist Award).

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RTS SCOTLAND PROGRAMME AWARDS 2023 – NOMINEES

Actor – Female

- Elaine C. Smith, Two Doors Down (BBC Studios Comedy Productions for BBC One)
- Shauna Macdonald, The Scotts (The Comedy Unit for BBC Scotland)
- Nina Sosanya, Screw (STV Studios for Channel 4)

Actor – Male

- Stephen Purdon, River City (BBC Studios for BBC Scotland)
- Alan Cumming, My Old School (Hopscotch Films for BBC)
- Tony Curran, Mayflies (Synchronicity Films for BBC)

Entertainment and Features

- Kids' TV: The Surprising Story (Mighty Scotland for BBC)
- Martin Compston's Scottish Fling (Tern Television Productions for BBC Scotland)
- Food Unwrapped: Nordic Adventure (Ricochet for Channel 4)

Documentary and Specialist: Factual

- Long Live My Happy Head (Melt The Fly for BBC Scotland)
- My Old School (Hopscotch Films for BBC Scotland and BBC Two)
- War and Justice: The Case of Marine A (Two Rivers Media and Uppercut Films for Channel 4)

Children's

- Trùir Aig Trì (Sorbier Productions for BBC ALBA)
- Clò Beag Chirsty Bella (Macanta Media for BBC ALBA)
- Ranger Hamza's Eco Quest (Hello Halo Kids for CBeebies)

Director

- Calum McKay, Disclosure (BBC One Scotland for BBC)
- Dr Marco J Federici, Rico: The Richard Demarco Story (MLC Productions & Federici Films for BBC Scotland)
- Robert Neill, The Ice Cream Wars (Two Rivers Media for BBC)

Short Form

- When We Were Famous – Scotland 72 (Studio Something for BBC Scotland)
- Money On My Mind (Storyboard Studios for Channel 4)
- A-Hole (BBC Studios Comedy Productions and Forza Films for BBC Scotland)

Current Affairs

- Scotland Tonight: Who is Nicholas Rossi? (STV News for STV)
- Disclosure: The Great Ferries Scandal (BBC Scotland for BBC One Scotland)
- Darren McGarvey's Addictions (Tern Television Productions for BBC Scotland)

Writer

- Johnny McKnight, River City: 20th Anniversary Episode (BBC Studios for BBC Scotland)
- Rob Williams, Screw (STV Studios for Channel 4)
- Alia Ghafar, Alone (BBC Scotland Productions for BBC The Social)

Comedy

- Two Doors Down (BBC Studios Comedy Productions for BBC Two)
- Scot Squad (The Comedy Unit for BBC Scotland)
- First Footing (Up Helly Aa and Shakehaus for BBC Scotland)

Post Production: Editing

- Dave Clark, The Last Stone (Tern Television Productions for BBC Scotland)
- Audrey McColligan, Three Mothers, Two Babies and A Scandal (Firecrest Films for Prime Video)
- Joe Sawyer, Mayflies (Synchronicity Films for BBC)

On-Screen Personality

- Judith Ralston, Weather Presenter (BBC Scotland)
- Alannah Carson and Jamie Grandison, Style Fixers (Mighty Scotland for BBC Scotland)
- Gordon Buchanan, Snow Dogs into the Wild (Hello Halo Productions and Oak Island Films for BBC)

Sport Programme

- The Last Stone (Tern Television Productions for BBC Scotland)
- Scotland: Passion of the The Play Offs (The Comedy Unit for BBC Scotland)
- Fight at the Fort (Amped Pictures for BBC Scotland)

Young Journalist (presented in memory of George Sinclair)

- Jax Sinclair (BBC Scotland)
- Morgan Spence (BBC Scotland)
- Donald Matheson (Firecrest Films for BBC One Scotland)

Documentary and Specialist Factual: Science and Natural History

- Davina McCall: Sex, Mind and the Menopause (Finestripe Productions for Channel 4)
- What Killed the Whale? (STV Studios for Channel 4)
- The Secret Genius of Modern Life (BBC Studios: Science Unit for BBC)

Documentary and Specialist Factual: History

- Being Jewish in Scotland (Red Sky Productions for BBC Scotland)
- The Hunt for the World's End Killers (Firecrest Films for BBC Scotland)
- The Mystery of Anthrax Island (Indelible Telly for BBC Scotland)

Camera

- Hamish MacLeod, Dàna (Solus Productions for BBC ALBA)
- Gordon Buchanan, Jack Warrender and Keith Partridge, Snow Dogs: Into the Wild (Hello Halo Productions and Oak Island Films for BBC)
- Alasdair Boyce, Mayflies (Synchronicity Films for BBC)

Post Production: Motion Design and Animation (Individual and Small Team)

- The Ice Cream Wars: Jason Hillier, John Cox & Colin Maclean for Serious FX (Two Rivers Media for BBC)
- BBC World Cup 2022 Title Sequence – Here We Go!: Emma Lally, Andy Maas, Ken Clark, Andrei Staruiala (Studio Something for BBC Sport)

- War and Justice: The Case of Marine A: Sam Goodwin for Blazing Griffin (Two Rivers Media and Uppercut Films for Channel 4)

News

- The Nine (BBC Scotland)
- Reporting Scotland (BBC Scotland News & Current Affairs)
- STV News at Six (Central) (STV)

Drama

- River City: 20th Anniversary Episode (BBC Studios for BBC Scotland)
- Mayflies (Synchronicity Films for BBC)
- Alone (BBC Scotland Productions for BBC The Social)

Daytime

- The Travelling Auctioneers (STV Studios for BBC One)
- Kirstie's Handmade Christmas (Raise the Roof Productions for Channel 4)
- Scam Interceptors (BBC Studios for BBC One)

Craft: Sound

- The Control Room: Kahl Henderson, Sam Biggs and Micheal MacKinnon for Savalas Post (Hartwood Films for BBC One)
- Snow Dogs – Into the Wild: Adam Wood and Jamie Hartland for Serious Facilities (Hello Halo Productions and Oak Island Films for BBC)
- Karen Pirie: John Cobban, Heather Andrews and Zander Mavor for Blazing Griffin (World Productions for ITV)

Live Event

- TRNSMT 2022 (BBC Scotland Productions for BBC Scotland)
- World Pipe Bands Championship 2022 (BBC Scotland Productions for BBC Scotland)
- BBC Introducing Scottish Act of the Year 2022 (BBC Scotland Productions for BBC Scotland)

Student Television Award

- SMALL (The University of Edinburgh, STV Player)
- The Tortoise and the Square (University of Stirling, STV Player)
- A League of Their Own (University of Stirling, STV Player)
- The Dead Cat Strategy (The University of Edinburgh, STV Player)

Post Production: Motion Design and Animation – Team Award

- Dog Squad (Interference Pattern & Hello Halo Productions)
- Iron Sail (Revenant)
- Galaxy Fight Club – Trailer (Interference Pattern)

Documentary and Specialist Factual: Arts

- #CancelKarenDunbar (Specky Productions for BBC Scotland)
- Rico: The Richard Demarco Story (MLC Productions & Federici Films for BBC Scotland)
- Stolen: Catching the Art Thieves (Lion Television Scotland for BBC Two)

A **Special Contribution Award** will also be given on the night of the ceremony.

