



Position: Trainee Natural History Development Researcher, Oak Island Films Ltd

Location: Remote working as part of a team. In-person meetings if located in Bristol, UK.

Contract: Fixed-term, flexible part or full time – approximately 96 hours in total.

Salary: £10.42 per hour - UK National Living Wage

Application deadline: 12th February, 2023

About The Company: Oak Island Films has television production company based in Bristol, UK and Ottawa, Canada making popular films which entertain and show people that the world could be better than it is. Managing Director, Ted Oakes, is an award-winning Executive Producer with two decades of experience making award-winning TV, mostly for BBC. Ted was a staff at the world-renowned BBC Natural History Unit in Bristol for 20 years. He has a PhD in Zoology from Oxford University and previously worked as a wildlife biologist, lecturer and public speaker. Oak Island Films is unique in that its films all have significant outreach projects associated with them.

The Role

Oak Island Films is looking for a Trainee Development Researcher for natural history TV project development.

Main Duties and Responsibilities

Suitable candidates will, as part of a team:

- conduct research
- make phone calls to scientists
- liaise with contributors, experts and talent, where required
- assist in writing and designing treatments and proposals
- edit promos
- generally assist in programme development.

Applicant Requirements

- An interest in wildlife filmmaking, conservation and film-making
- Good interpersonal, communication and written skills.
- Ability to communicate effectively and appropriately with a wide variety of internal and external colleagues and contributors.
- A good team player, who can take direction but also work well independently using own initiative.
- The ability to work from home with Microsoft Office and Zoom.
- Energy and enthusiasm



What we can offer

- You'll learn how to develop and sell natural history TV projects.
- You will often work directly with Dr Ted Oakes, MD Oak Island Films.
- You will work and be supported by others at a similar level.
- We'll give you CV and Interview tips and contacts for future work.
- 2 hours of mentorship
- Assigned a workplace buddy

Eligibility

To be eligible for this role you must meet the following criteria;

- age 18-30
- be on a UK-workable time-zone
- have a university or college degree, either completed, in progress or equivalent employment experience or qualification.
- be a UK resident or have the right to work in the UK

We especially encourage applications from individuals belonging to underrepresented groups including individuals who come from a low socio-economic backgrounds, LGBTQI+ individuals, people who identify as neurodiverse or living with a long term disability and ethnically diverse individuals.

How to Apply

Please complete [this form](#) and upload a copy of your CV **before 23:59pm on Sunday 12th February**.

If you have any questions about the role please get in contact via www.oakislandfilms.com/contact

Key Dates

Interviews are expected to be by Oak Island Films held the week commencing Monday 20th February 2023. The internship is expected to start on Monday 6th March.