



## Happy August ,

We're a whole lot excited to announce the call for applications for [Step-Up Film Initiative](#). For all the details, come along to the [info sess](#)

Be sure to register to join us for what will surely be a pretty interesting and entertaining evening, in conversation with Shaun and Heath talking about [Music for Film](#).

Screen Australia will be in Hobart next Tues for an industry forum at 4pm - rsvp today to [rsvp@screenaustralia.gov.au](mailto:rsvp@screenaustralia.gov.au) if you'd like to hear their plans and add your voice.

We're also farewelling two of our most excellent team in August - Greg Simson and Dominique Hurley. We want to thank them for their energy and commitment to WAT and wish them well in their future endeavours. Abi and Jo are going to need some extra help in the office if you are keen for some casual work, please send us an expression of interest for the [register of casual staff](#).

Congratulations to Izaak Bishop who is undertaking a digital content internship with us during August.

And free tix available to WAT members to the award winning doco [I Am Big Bird](#). Read on for the info in full.

x The WAT team - Abi, Jo, Greg and Dominique.

## WAT's happening in August?

### **Music for Film - In conversation with Heath Brown and Shaun Wilson - Thursday August 6, 6-8pm**

Don't forget we have our [Music for Film](#) event coming up. Join in the conversation with screen director Shaun Wilson and composer Heath Brown. This will be an informative and entertaining evening, where creators of screen content will benefit from gaining a deeper understanding of the use of music as an integrated element of cinematic storytelling and film buffs will gain a behind-the-scenes look at how the magic is created.

**Date:** Thursday August 6, 6pm – 8pm

**Venue:** Grand Poobah, Hobart

**Cost:** Free for WAT members, \$10 non-members

**RSVP:** [email info@wideangle.org.au](mailto:info@wideangle.org.au) or phone 6223 8344



## Step-Up Film Initiative Info session and networking - Wed Aug 12, 5.30pm - 7pm

Are you interested in applying for Wide Angle Tasmania's newest production opportunity - the [Step-Up Film Initiative](#)? Come along for brief information session and Q&A with general manager Abi Binning, followed by a chance to meet and talk with other key creatives (writers, directors and producers).

This is an ideal opportunity to find out more about Step-Up and meet others who are looking to form collaborative teams to apply to Step-Up 2015.

When: 5.30pm-7.00pm Wednesday August 12, 2015

Where: Founders Room, Salamanca Arts Centre

Cost: Free, but only available to WAT members

RSVP: [info@wideangle.org.au](mailto:info@wideangle.org.au) or phone 6223 8344

## NEW Production initiative with WAT

### Step-Up Film Initiative - Applications close 4pm, Sept 25

[Step-Up](#) is a new production initiative that aims to support Tasmanian filmmakers who are ready to build on the success of their previous short films by developing and producing a short film (under 10mins) designed for International Film Festival entry. This initiative is possible through the generous contributions of over 100 donors to Wide Angle Tasmania's [Step-Up Film Fund](#).

This initiative is designed to support Tasmanian screen practitioners who are looking to create a defining short film that will significantly advance their careers. This is not an entry level initiative – it is a 'step-up' from Raw Nerve and designed for those with a clear idea of how this initiative fits with their career aspirations.

Head to the [Step-Up](#) page on our website for more info, the guidelines and application forms.



**STEP-UP 15/16**  
Applications close Sept 25, 2015

Applications are now open for the Step-Up Film Initiative. Wide Angle Tasmania is inviting filmmakers to apply to make their next short film an international film festival.  
Info and application forms available at [www.wideangle.org.au/step-up](http://www.wideangle.org.au/step-up)  
p 622 238 344 e [info@wideangle.org.au](mailto:info@wideangle.org.au)

## What's happening at WAT?

### Casual Staff Register

EOI due 4pm, August 7

We're pulling together a register of people who can work casually at the WAT office to help cover staff leave and busy periods, and invite you to send us through your details if this interests you. We're looking for people who are team players and will keep our office ticking over - everything from watering the plants to raising an invoice and checking our gear hires.

For more details head to our [website](#). Expressions of interest to be received by [email](#) by COB Friday August 7, 2015 .

YOU?

WANT TO JOIN OUR TEAM?

## What else is happening in Tas?

### Free double passes to I Am Big Bird

Thanks to Vandetta Films we have some free tickets to the award winning doco - [I Am Big Bird](#). Available to financial WAT members who are in touch with us TODAY, email [info@wideangle.org.au](mailto:info@wideangle.org.au) or phone 6223 8344. You'll need to pick up the tic from our office - it's showing at State Cinema this week, and you can pick your session to attend.

### [Screen Australia Industry Forum](#)

#### Next Tues Aug 2 - RSVP essential - last chance today!

Screen Australia invites you to a forum hosted by CEO, Graeme Mason. The forum will include an overview of Screen Australia's new production guidelines and a discussion about future priorities. Screen Australia wants your input as they approach the next critical junctures.

**When:** Tuesday 4 August 2015 - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm for the presentation, then 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm for networking

**Where:** Old Woolstore, 1 Macquarie St., Hobart 7000

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP:** TODAY to [rsvp@screenaustralia.gov.au](mailto:rsvp@screenaustralia.gov.au)

## **BOFA 2015**

The closing deadline for BOFA 2015 is fast approaching. BOFA wants to be seen as THE Tasmanian film festival which is 'owned' by the screen industry with competitions, prizes and awards to aim towards – competitions that promote excellence and are a benchmark for the state.

**Comp closes** August 2 at midnight AEST.

Entry is free for Tasmanians or \$20 for all others. Click [here](#) for entry details

## **2015 ONLINE VIDEO AWARDS - Call for entries**

The OVAs are back to recognise and celebrate the work of online video content makers in Australia.

Great prizes are again on offer, including a trip to YouTube's Creator Space in Los Angeles to learn from the world leaders in online video production and marketing, supported by YouTube.

**Comp closes** Saturday, August 15. For more information, visit the [website](#)

## **Flickerfest 2015**

Celebrating its landmark 25th year, Flickerfest, Australia's leading Academy® Award accredited and BAFTA-recognised Short Film Festival and the country's largest short film competition, is now accepting entries from Australia and around the world for their 2016

Festival. Flickerfest remains a platform for celebrating the most entertaining and innovative short filmmaking from around the world, judged by a panel of leading industry experts. [More info here.](#)

**Comp closes:** 5pm, Wednesday September 30, 2015



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