

In addition to our top three finalists, the **FORUM LIST** includes three additional projects that received more than four nominations from our expert industry Film Panels. To contact any of the writers, simply email [office@rocliffe.com](mailto:office@rocliffe.com) with your details and we will connect you with them. The TV Comedy list includes:

**APOCALYPSE WALES** by Damien St John  
**OUT OF TOWN** by Hannah Croft and Fiona Pearce  
**LUNAR TICS** by Dan Hobson and Jon Bridle

**A huge thank you to our script selection panelists and judges. They included:**

### The Jury

**ANDREW NEWMAN** CEO, Spellthorne Community TV – Chair  
**FARAH ABUSHWESHA** Rocliffe – Moderator  
**ARABELLA MCGUIGAN** Development Executive Comedy & Drama, CPL Production  
**BEN CAVEY** Co-Managing Director, Tiger Aspect  
**CLAIRE MCCARTHY** Comedy Commissioner, BBC  
**DAVE EVANS** Head of Development, Balloon Entertainment  
**DAVID QUANTICK** Writer (The Thick of It, Veep, TV Burp, The Rob Brydon Show)  
**KEVIN CECIL** Writer (Tracey Ullman's Show, Veep, The Boy in the Dress, Little Britain)  
**RICHARD WATSHAM** Director of Commissioning, UKTV  
**TILUSHA GHELANI** Commissioning Editor, Sky Comedy

### The Panel

**DAN MARCH** Actor & Comedian  
**ED CRIPPS** Development Executive  
**ELAINE GRACIE** Comedy Writer & Script Editor  
**EMMA OBANK** Agent, Casarotto  
**HELEN MURPHY** Development Executive, Hartswood Films  
**HOLLIE EBDON** Agent, Ebdon Management  
**JANETTE LINDEN** Agent, PBJ Management  
**JESSE CLEVERLY** Creative Director, Wildseed  
**JONATHAN WAKEHAM** Writer & Founder, LOCO Comedy Film Festival  
**KAYLEIGH LLEWELLYN** Writer  
**LONDON HUGHES** Actor & Comedian  
**MATTHEW BARRY** Writer  
**NICOLE PAGLIA** Writer  
**RUTH TRIPPITT** Comedy Development Producer, What Larks TV  
**SAM MICHELL** TV & Radio Producer, BBC  
**SUSAN JACOBSON** Director  
**TOBY DAVIES** Actor & Writer  
**TONY COOKE** Writer

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**LUCY LUMSDEN** is a producer of comedy. In her six years at Sky, she commissioned

over 60 series including *Charlie Brooker's A Touch of Cloth*, *A Young Doctor's Notebook* starring Daniel Radcliffe and Jon Hamm, *Stella*, and BAFTA-winning shows *Spy* and *Hunderby*. Before joining Sky, she was Controller of Comedy Commissioning for BBC for 4 years, commissioning shows such as *Outnumbered*, *Gavin and Stacey*, *The Thick of It*, *Miranda*, *Nighty Night*, and *Harry & Paul*.

Last year she established Yellow Door Productions, to develop scripted content for the UK and US, and announced a development deal with ABC Studios. She also wrote and directed her first short film *Honeysuckle*, which won the Jury Prize at last year's Montreal World Film Festival.



**SIMON NYE** is a British comic television writer. He started writing for TV in 1990,

adapting his first novel *Men Behaving Badly*, which won the 1995 Writers' Guild of Great Britain's award for Best Situation Comedy.

Simon went on to create a number of successful sitcoms and one-off dramas for ITV and the BBC, including the BAFTA-nominated *Hardware*, the critically acclaimed *How Do You Want Me?* and the Emmy-nominated *Pride*. In 2010, Simon also wrote the episode "Amy's Choice" for *Doctor Who*.

His most recent project, *The Durrells in Corfu*, aired its second series on ITV in 2017. A third series is in production. He is currently working on an adaptation of Cecilia Ahern's *Thanks for the Memories* for Gate Film.



**FARAH ABUSHWESHA**, a BAFTA-nominated producer and best selling

author, is a champion of new talent.

Her most recent feature films include *Irreplacable You* with Gugu Mbatha-Raw, Michiel Huisman, Christopher Walken and Steve Coogan and Danny Huston's *The Last Photograph*. She is the founder of the BAFTA Rocliffe New Writing Showcase.

Farah has produced comedy content for the White House (under the Obama Administration).



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## OTHER PEOPLE

by **MATILDA WNEK** & **RYAN O'SULLIVAN**  
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Directed by **SUSAN JACOBSON**  
Composer **ANDREA BOCCADORO**

*After five years together, a millennial couple decide to try an 'open relationship'.*

**MATILDA WNEK** and **RYAN O'SULLIVAN** have been a writing team since they were teenagers. After a few years writing sketches for the Footlights, they found our comic voice in 2013 with the creation of their award-winning live act *Beard*, with Rosa Robson. They now co-run Embolon Theatre company and just completed a residency at Camden People's Theatre. They started writing TV Drama scripts in 2016 and this month sold their first hour-long script to Kudos. Their first short film was screened at the London SyFy Film Festival this February and came second in the 48hr Sci-Fi film competition. Last year, Ryan's prose was nominated for a Stack Award for Original Fiction and Matilda was shortlisted for the Old Vic 12 as a playwright.

### CAST

Polly  
**OLIVIA NIXON**  
Vivienne Clore  
Mark  
**CIARAN GRIFFITHS**  
Curtis Brown

## BABY

by **JENNY BEDE**  
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Directed by **KATE HERRON**  
Composer **PHILIP POPE**

*A comedy drama about a 32-year-old woman who has to break up with the love of her life because of her biological clock.*

**JENNY BEDE** is an actor, writer and comedian from London. After studying at the Royal Academy of Music, she turned to comedy after a stint in the topical sketch show *Newsrevue*. She then created a series of YouTube sketches and was consequently commissioned a BBC sketch pilot. She wrote and presented *Mad on Chelsea* for 4od, the fan show for the BAFTA-winning *Made in Chelsea*.

She has also acted in numerous other shows including: *Lovesick* (Netflix), *Stan Lee's Lucky Man* (Sky) *Episodes* (BBC2), *Josh* (BBC3), *Crackanory* (Dave) *Murder in Successville* (BBC3), *Watson & Oliver* (BBC2), *Misfits* (E4) and *Broadchurch* (ITV). Jenny also writes and performs stand up comedy and is currently writing her second show *Eggtime* for the Edinburgh Fringe.

### CAST

Sam  
**NICOLA WREN**  
United Agents  
Kirsty  
**TAJ ATWAL**  
Curtis Brown  
Matt  
**ASHLEY KUMAR**  
Cole Kitchen  
Lola  
**BOBBY RAINSBURY**  
Lee Morgan  
Narrator  
**LONDON HUGHES**  
John Noel

## LAST ONE LEFT

by **NICK ORAM**  
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Directed by **IAN ARYEH**  
Composer **RUPERT CROSS**

*Bob, a lesser-known Tarsier Bear, is critically endangered and looking for love. A dark, animated comedy, set in a world populated by anthropomorphic animals.*

**NICHOLAS ORAN** is a writer and comedy improviser based in London, having written a number of short comic plays performed at the Derby Theatre, RADA and the Southwark Playhouse. He mainly performs with Do Not Adjust Your Stage (of which he is a founding member). They have performed at festivals across Europe, created shows for the Natural History Museum and the National Gallery, and appeared at the prestigious UCB Theatre in New York.

### CAST

Bob  
**WILL MERRICK**  
United Agents  
Dave/Panel 2  
**BOBBY HIRSTON**  
Winterson's  
Janet/Host  
**DEBRA STEPHENSON**  
Curtis Brown  
Rachel  
**NATALIE GUMEDE**  
United Agents  
Hugo/Victor/Panel 3  
**HUGH SACHS**  
United Agents  
Narrator  
**CLARE SLOANE**  
Shepherd Management



Other People



Baby



Last One Left