



NEW WEB PORTAL LAUNCHED

Looking for film crew? Look no further!

The Cine Guilds of Great Britain has announced the launch of a new web portal to allow incoming international productions to access the services of more than 1,000 of the very best UK film crew - from DoPs to Hair and Make-up Artists.

The Website, which can be seen at <http://www.moviecrew.org.uk>, was designed and built with support from the Office of the British Film Commissioner. It has direct links to the members' directories of all the UK Film Craft Guilds that make up Cine Guilds GB, with details of the various crew grades that can be contacted via each guild.

Speaking about the new Website, CineGuilds Chairman Joe Dunton, explained "Both Cine Guilds and the Film Commissioner felt that it was important to emphasise not only the high level of skills in the UK Film Crafts, but also the difference in the UK between guilds and trades unions. We are all used to this difference, but in the US particularly the word Guild is often the same as Union. We needed to remind Producers that in the UK choosing a guild member guarantees the highest professional standards, and that guild membership is not required to work in the industry but is, in fact, only available to respected and skilled professionals, elected by nomination and peer review of their work.

"We hope that this new website will encourage producers new to working in the UK to use British crew when shooting here or in Europe."

British Film Commissioner, Colin Brown said: "We have first class film crews in the UK and I hope this great new resource will encourage international producers to make the best use of them. This portal is a handy one stop shop which directs producers to the best UK crew for every job from sound to cinematography, stunt co-ordination to editing saving them time, effort and money."

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