



**THE GUILD OF BRITISH CAMERA TECHNICIANS  
CAMERA TRAINEE SCHEME 2011  
APPLICATION FORM**

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| <b>Name:</b>        |  |               |  |
| <b>Address:</b>     |  |               |  |
| <b>County:</b>      |  |               |  |
| <b>Postal Code:</b> |  | <b>Phone:</b> |  |
| <b>Mobile:</b>      |  | <b>Email:</b> |  |

**1. Please detail any formal qualifications you have gained in relation to camera practice (include course provider, dates and qualifications gained):**

**2. Please tell us about the Camera experience you have to date, in your information please include the genre of work, format/equipment used, your position and nature of your work, production name and company, length of service:**

**3. Have you any additional skills e.g. diving, languages?**

**4. Please describe what you would like to achieve as a GBCT camera Trainee:**

**5. What do you envisage yourself doing career wise in five years time?**

**6. What genres would you most like to work in?**

**7. Given the nature of employment patterns as a freelancer in the camera Department do you have any other occupational skills to fall back on?**

**8. How did you hear about the GBCT's Trainee Scheme?**

**9. Are you a member of BECTU or any other industry related associations? Please specify.**

**10. Where can you base yourself in the UK?**

**11. Have you a UK driving license and own transport?**

**12. Below please give the name and contact details of a reference who does not mind being contacted:  
Ideally this should be a camera technician who you have worked with either in the camera department or rental house.**

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| <b>Name</b>            |  |
| <b>Job description</b> |  |
| <b>Telephone</b>       |  |
| <b>Email</b>           |  |

- Please enclose your CV as supporting information along with this application form

Completed application forms and supporting CVs must be delivered by 24 January 2011 at the latest to: GBCT, Panavision Bldg, Bristol Road, Greenford, Middx, UB6 8GD  
[info@gbct.org](mailto:info@gbct.org) Tel. 020 8813 1999 [www.gbct.org](http://www.gbct.org)

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APPLICATION DEADLINE MONDAY 24 JANUARY 2011  
(You can download the Trainee Application Form from the website)

INTERVIEWS Between 14 & 25 FEBRUARY 2011  
(We will write or email you as soon as possible to let you know whether you have been selected for interview or not)

TRAINING COURSE MONDAY 21 to SATURDAY 26  
MARCH

(If you get to this stage, you will be invited to attend a 6-day training course which will be taught and assessed by Guild Members. Twelve people attend the training course out of which six people are chosen. You are expected to pay for this course and even if you are not selected to be a GBCT Camera Trainee, you will be given an extraordinary amount of information about camera work and be able to learn/practice with film and HD cameras most commonly used on features and television programmes.)

A decision will be made during the week of the 28th March and you will be informed by the 31 March what the decision of the selection panel is.

BEING A GBCT CAMERA TRAINEE THE NEXT 12-18 MONTHS

Once selected, there are no further fees that the trainee has to pay and during the time they are GBCT Trainees, s/he is provided with all the benefits and discounts that Guild members have. The duration of the individual's 'trainee-ship' depends on existing experience and how lucky people are to get work on different productions. (Because the more you are able to practice, the quicker you learn.)

As a GBCT trainee, we aim:

- to ensure our trainees are provided with the best tuition and practice using as many cameras as possible and thoroughly learn what is involved in being a good camera assistant
- to provide all trainees with paid work on a variety of productions including feature films, television productions and commercials
- to provide each trainee with a Guild mentor; someone they can call for advice and guidance

Reports will be kept on each trainee and the work placements they get. Trainees are also expected to find their own work, provide the Guild office with regularly updated CVs and generally let the office know how they are getting on. Trainees will be informed of all Guild events and are entitled to attend; this includes demonstrations and explanations about any new camera.

Once their time as trainees has ended, an exit meeting will be arranged at which there will be an exchange of information about the trainee and their time on the scheme and where they will receive further guidance on their proposed careers.

If a Trainee moves up a grade. Provided the trainee meets all the criteria required to be a Guild member – including the provision of evidence that they have been working in their chosen grade for sufficient time, applications to become full Guild members are welcomed.