What is it?

- Open Call

- An annual script submission window for all new, emerging and established writers to share their work with us

- Run by the BBC Writers

- Used to select around 100 writers for our writer development schemes, Voices and Scripted

You can apply if:

- You have a Drama or Comedy/Drama script written for Film, TV, Radio, Stage or Online for adults or young adults

- You are aged 18 or over

- You are a resident of the UK, Channel Islands, Isle of Man or Republic of Ireland.

We do not accept:

- Resubmissions of work which has previously been submitted to past windows.

- Multiple submissions from an entrant.

- Video/audio material.

- Scripts written for existing shows and/or characters. Scripts written for children.

- Prose or poetry.

- Comedy (sitcoms, series or sketch shows).
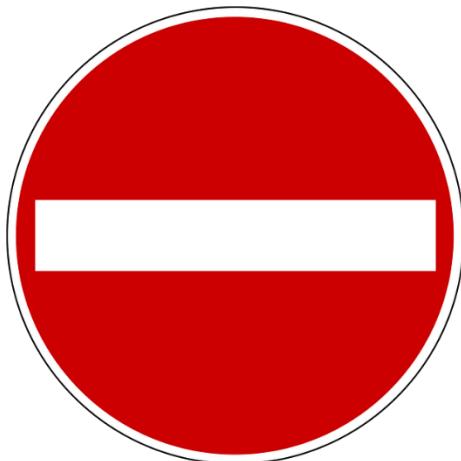
When to submit:

- The submission window opens on Tuesday 4th November 2025 at noon.

- It closes on Tuesday 2nd December 2025 at noon.

How to submit:

- Read the full Terms and Conditions of Entry

- Use our E-Submissions system using this unique submission link

If you haven't submitted before, you'll need to create a free E-Submissions account before you apply.

- Fill in this form

It will ask for things like:

- Your name

- Where you live

- Your phone number and email

- A password
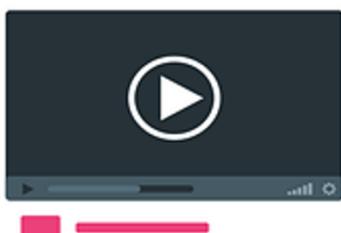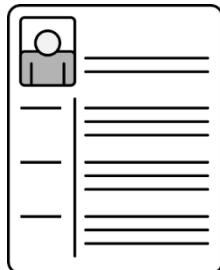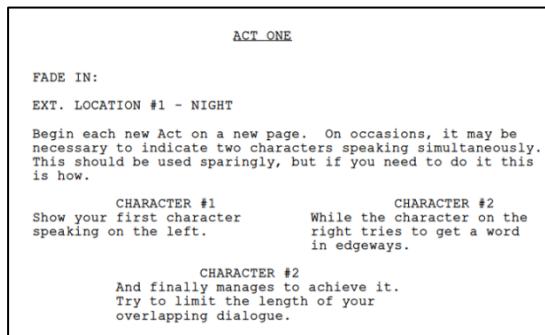
What to submit:

- One complete script in PDF format (minimum 30 pages).

- A script for Film, TV, Radio, Stage or Online.

- A paragraph about your writing history (you do not need to have any credits or professionally produced work. We just want to understand your passion for writing)

- A short paragraph about what you would like to gain from this programme if you are successful.

- a Diversity Monitoring Form (asking you questions about Ethnicity, Disability, Gender and sexuality)

If you do not want to answer them then please put 'prefer not to say'.

There is a downloadable PDF which details what the applicants will be asked for in E-Submissions to help writers prepare offline before submitting via the system.

Further Support:

- If you have specific access requirements then please contact bbcwriters@bbc.co.uk ahead of the deadline to discuss your application.

We have created these instructional videos:

- How to create an E-Submissions log in

- How to submit a script in E-Submissions

You can find both here: E-Submissions: Help & FAQs

Further Questions:

- Read the [Open Call FAQs](#)

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- Email bbcwriters@bbc.co.uk

  You will receive a general auto reply when you email but we aim to personally answer any queries within 48 hours.