**PRESS RELEASE**

**RTS ANNOUNCES NOMINATIONS FOR**

**Programme Awards 2013**

**London, 4 March 2014 –** The Royal Television Society (RTS), Britain's leading forum for television and related media, has today announced the nominations for the **RTS Programme Awards 2013**.

Chaired by David Liddiment, the RTS Programme Awards honour excellence across all genres of television programming, from soaps to history, children’s fiction to comedy performance and sports, and recognise exceptional actors, presenters, writers and production teams as well as the programmes themselves.

The Awards will be presented by comedian Tim Vine at a ceremony on Tuesday 18 March at the Grosvenor House Hotel, London.

**The Nominations:**

**Actor - Female**

***Olivia Colman - Broadchurch / Run*** Kudos for ITV / Acme Films for Channel 4

***Sharon Rooney - My Mad Fat Teenage Diary*** A Tiger Aspect Production for Channel 4

***Jodie Whittaker - Broadchurch*** Kudos for ITV

**Actor - Male**

***Stephen Dillane - The Tunnel*** Kudos and Shine France Films in association with Filmlance for Sky Atlantic and Canal+

***Idris Elba - Luther*** BBC Drama Production London for BBC One

***Lennie James - Run*** Acme Films for Channel 4

**Arts**

***Imagine…Vivian Maier: Who Took Nanny's Pictures?*** BBC Arts for BBC One

***Inside The Mind of Leonardo*** IWC Media and Handel Productions for Sky 3D and Sky Arts

***Rebuilding The World Trade Center*** A Marcus Robinson, Lion Television/All3Media Production for Channel 4

**Children's Fiction**

***Dumping Ground*** CBBC

***The Ugly Duckling*** CBeebies

***Wolfblood*** CBBC Productions, co-producers ZDF/ZDFE for CBBC

**Children's Programme**

***Absolute Genius with Dick and Dom*** CBBC

***Hard Times - A Newsround Special*** CBBC

***Swashbuckle*** CBeebies

**Comedy Performance**

***Rebecca Front - Psychobitches*** Tiger Aspect Productions for Sky Arts

***Brendan O'Carroll - Mrs Brown's Boys*** BBC Scotland/BBC Comedy Production

co-production with BocPix in association with RTE for BBC One

***Ryan Sampson - PLEBS*** Rise Films for ITV2

**Daytime**

***Four Rooms*** Boundless for Channel 4

***Pointless*** Remarkable Television, Endemol for BBC One

***The Chase*** Potato for ITV

**Documentary Series**

***Educating Yorkshire*** Twofour Broadcast for Channel 4

***Her Majesty's Prison: Aylesbury*** Wild Pictures for ITV

***The Call Centre*** BBC Documentaries, Cymru Wales for BBC Three

**Drama Serial**

***Broadchurch*** Kudos for ITV

***In The Flesh*** BBC Drama Production Salford, BBC America for BBC Three

***Top Of The Lake*** See-Saw Films for BBC Two

**Drama Series**

***My Mad Fat Teenage Diary*** A Tiger Aspect Production for E4

***Peaky Blinders*** Caryn Mandabach Productions, Tiger Aspect Productions for

BBC Two

***Utopia*** Kudos for Channel 4

**Entertainment**

***A League Of Their Own*** CPL Productions for Sky 1

***Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway*** ITV Sudios and Mitre Television for ITV

***The Last Leg*** An Open Mike Production for Channel 4

**Entertainment Performance**

***Alan Carr - Alan Carr: Chatty Man*** An Open Mike Production for Channel 4

***Ant & Dec - Britain's Got Talent/Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway*** Thames (part of FremantleMedia UK) and Syco Entertainment/ITV Studios and Mitre Television for ITV

***Leigh Francis - Celebrity Juice/Through The Keyhole*** Talkback (part of FremantleMedia UK) for ITV

**History**

***Richard III: King In The Car Park*** Darlow Smithson for Channel 4

***Secrets From The Workhouse*** Wall To Wall for ITV

***The Story Of The Jews*** An Oxford Film & Television Production for BBC and THIRTEEN in association with WNET BBC Two

**International**

***Game Of Thrones*** HBO Entertainment in association with Bighead, Littlehead; Television 360; Startling Television and Generator Productions broadcast on Sky Atlantic

***Storyville - Pussy Riot: A Punk Prayer*** Roast Beef Productions for BBC Four

***The Returned*** Haut et Court for Channel 4

**Live Event**

***Bollywood Carmen Live*** BBC Music Television for BBC Three

***The Ashes - 2013*** Sky Sports

***Wimbledon Men's Final*** BBC Sport for BBC One

**Popular, Factual and Features**

***Gadget Man*** North One Television for Channel 4

***Gogglebox*** Studio Lambert for Channel 4

***Long Lost Family*** Wall To Wall for ITV

**Presenter**

***David Attenborough - Galapagos 3D with David Attenborough*** Colossus Productions for Sky 3D and Sky 1

***Stephen Fry - Stephen Fry - Out There*** Maverick Television and Sprout Pictures for BBC Two

***Davina McCall - Long Lost Family*** Wall to Wall for ITV

**Science and Natural History**

***Africa*** BBC NHU, Discovery Channel, CCTV9, France Television for BBC One

***How To Win The Grand National*** An OSF Wales Production for Channel 4

***Planet Ant: Life Inside the Colony*** BBC Science/Science Channel for BBC Four

**Scripted Comedy**

***A Touch Of Cloth II: Undercover Cloth*** Zeppotron for Sky 1

***PLEBS*** Rise Films for ITV2

***Toast Of London*** Objective Productions for Channel 4

**Single Documentary**

***Dogging Tales*** Minnow Films for Channel 4

***The Murder Trial*** Windfall Films West for Channel 4

***The Unspeakable Crime: Rape*** Gold Star Productions for BBC One

**Single Drama**

***Burton and Taylor*** BBC Drama Production London/BBC America for BBC Four

***Our Girl*** BBC Drama Production London for BBC One

***The Challenger*** BBC Films, Erste Weltweit Medien, Moonlighting Films, The Open University, Pictureshow Productions (US Unit) and Science Channel for BBC Two

**Soap and Continuing Drama**

***Casualty*** BBC Drama Production Wales for BBC One

***Coronation Street*** ITV Studios for ITV

***Emmerdale*** ITV Studios for ITV

**Sports Presenter, Commentator or Pundit**

***Clare Balding - C4 Racing*** IMG Productions for Channel 4

***Gabby Logan - World Athletics*** BBC Sport for BBC One/BBC Two

***Gary Neville - Sky Sports*** Sky Sports

**Sports Programme**

***Andy Murray: The Man Behind the Racquet*** BBC Sport for BBC One

***FA Cup Final*** ITV Sport for ITV

***World Athletics - Mo Farah's Double Gold Win*** BBC Sport for BBC One

**Writer - Comedy**

***James Corden and Mathew Baynton - The Wrong Mans*** BBC Comedy Production London/Hulu co-production for BBC Two

***Sam Leifer and Tom Basden - PLEBS*** Rise Films for ITV2

***Writing Team - Psychobitches*** Tiger Aspect Productions for Sky Arts

**Writer - Drama**

***Chris Chibnall - Broadchurch*** Kudos for ITV

***Dennis Kelly - Utopia*** Kudos for Channel 4

***Marlon Smith and Daniel Fajemisin-Duncan - Run*** Acme Films for Channel 4



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**Notes to Editors:**

**About The Royal Television Society:**

The Royal Television Society is Britain’s leading forum for television and related media. Membership is open to everyone with an interest in the medium.

The RTS was granted its Royal title in 1966 and HRH The Prince of Wales became Patron of the Society in 1997.

The RTS brings together people to exchange ideas, debate and explore key issues. The RTS Awards are an internationally recognised hallmark for quality and originality.

For over 80 years, the RTS has provided the UK’s main platform for debate about the future of television. Its lectures, events and publications make a substantial contribution to raising standards and developing practice. The RTS organises dinners with influential speakers, lectures, monthly sessions on current issues, and the world famous biennial Cambridge Convention sets the agenda for the future.

Television, the leading UK monthly on television issues and broadcasting policy, is distributed free to members. Separate RTS Awards events cover Programme Making, Television Journalism, Craft and Design, Students and Innovation.

Many of the Society’s dinners and conventions are oversubscribed. Patron and individual membership entitles members to priority applications and advanced booking.

There are 13 regional centres in the UK, and a Republic of Ireland Centre located in Dublin. Each Centre provides a mix of programme, technical, and craft events.

The Society is an educational charity, embracing all aspects of television, including the creative community, broadcasting, equipment manufacture, professional consultancy, journalism, design, research and development, cable, satellite, video and interactivity.

The Society relies for its future on the contributions of individual members, corporate Patrons and the hard work of its volunteers. Individual membership is available from £65.00 per year.

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