

LONDON FREELANCE BRANCH MEETINGS

Work with hackers; new ways to sell photos

PLEASE BE aware that there is no London Freelance Branch meeting in August.

Older readers may remember the "holidays" that used to be taken at around this time of year. Remember now that if you receive holiday pay for regular shifts, it's on the understanding that you actually take some sort of time off.

LFB meetings return for an autumn season starting on **Monday 12 September**, as usual on the second Monday of the month.

Our speaker at the September meeting will be Cassie Werber, co-organiser of Hacks Hackers London, part of an international grassroots organization "to create a network of journalists ('hacks') and technologists ('hackers') who rethink the future of news and info... to help people make sense of their world" for example hackers exploring technologies to filter and visualize infor-

mation and journalists using technology to find and tell stories.

The LFB meeting on **Monday 10 October** will feature John D. McHugh speaking about new ways of selling photos online.

John, a conflict photographer whose work includes Afghanistan, recently founded Verifeye Media. This is a Mobile Journalism (MoJo) photo agency. Its new tech for mobiles and web-enabled cameras tags images with metadata verifying where they were taken, who the creator is, specifying the licences under which they are seeking to sell a re-use of that image. Verifeye uses "eyewitnesses" and paid-for freelancers, selling licences for uses of your images on to news outlets.

This issue went to press on **19 July**
Deadline for the September issue: **22 August**.

• LFB meetings are from 7pm to 9pm at Friends' House, Euston Road NW1 (opposite Euston Station), which is accessible to people who use wheelchairs. If you need the Branch to pay for care for a child or dependent so you can attend a meeting, call a Branch officer.

• For updates on meetings (including new members' meetings) see the Branch calendar web page www.londonfreelance.org/lfb/meetings.html and LFB's Twitter feed http://twitter.com/NUJ_LFB.

Can members who have difficulty reading the agenda on paper please contact us to get the agenda in electronic form ahead of the meeting.

For etiquette on recording or live-tweeting from LFB meetings, see www.londonfreelance.org/fl/1507film.html.

For details of NUJ London Photographers' Branch meetings, see londonphotographers.org.

FREELANCE

Branch contacts: www.londonfreelance.org/lfb
Online Freelance contents: www.londonfreelance.org/fl

UNION HISTORY

The Grunwick dispute 40 years on

AUGUST this year marks the fortieth anniversary of the start of the two-year Grunwick dispute. Older readers may remember how Asian women working in the Grunwick Film Processing Laboratories in Willesden went on a long strike over a number of workplace issues including union recognition.

The strikers received widespread support from the trade union movement, with postal workers refusing to deliver film reels for processing by the company. There were 550 arrests on the picket line, many by the notorious police Special Patrol Group.

To get details of "Grunwick 40" events see: www.facebook.com/Grunwick40

THE FREELANCE

THIS PRINT edition of the *Freelance* is mailed out along with the *Journalist*, the magazine of the NUJ nationally. The schedule for sending out the *Journalist* – and the *Freelance* with it – has got increasingly out of synch with LFB meetings in recent times. (This issue was expected to arrive a full five weeks before the next meeting, for example.)

So LFB passed a motion at June's Branch meeting authorising a budget for a possible mail-out of an extra print edition of the *Freelance*, arriving in an envelope all of its own. This would arrive sometime in the first full week of September – better timed to remind members (especially new members) of the by then imminent resumption of Branch meetings after the summer break.

This is subject to Branch Committee approval: watch this space.

RESOURCES

London Freelance Branch has a vast amount of information and advice available for members (and others).

• The Freelance Directory is the first and best listing of actual freelance journalists – rather than wannabes – and entries in it are free to NUJ members: see www.freelance-directory.org

• The *Freelance Fees Guide* suggests rates for hundreds of categories of work, and provides a mass of advice on your working life as a freelance: see www.londonfreelance.org/feesguide

• The Branch has a Frequently Asked Questions page – let us know what needs updating at www.londonfreelance.org/FAQ

• Members who join as freelancers, or shift to freelancing, can download the *Freelance Fact Pack* – www.nuj.org.uk/work/freelance/freelance-fact-pack

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FAR EAST I'm a freelance correspondent, 36 years experience in S.E. Asia including BBC work, with a vast network of contacts. I'm Manila-based and available for freelance assignments. Contact Robert at rharland@mozcom.com

PHOTOGRAPHER and NUJ member Colin McPherson is offering short, residential photography courses on the unique Scottish island of Easdale from September 2016. Contact colinmcpherson@mac.com for further details.

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