

ALEX CHEN

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I am a graduate at Leeds Trinity University having studied BA Television Production, who has a passion for presenting and performing. So much so I have appeared as a contestant on Impossible (BBC One); Tipping Point (ITV); Gods of the Game (Comedy Central UK); Naked Attraction (Channel 4) and The 1% Club (ITV). In addition to appearing on these shows I also have experience researching, editing, and presenting live on air for Phoenix Radio and developing fresh new ideas for television programmes during a three-month placement at television company Dramadan. I spent 18 months as part of the Research Team for the Channel 4 soap Hollyoaks with the contract ending in December 2023 and am now looking for employment.

EDUCATION

Leeds Trinity University – September 2019 – June 2022

BA (Hons) Television Production

Key Modules Include:

- Taster Tape Production
- Introduction to TV Research
- Creative Development (Studio and Location)
- Core Production Skills (audio, camera, lighting, editing)
- Television Genres

WORK EXPERIENCE

Lime Pictures, July 2022 – December 2023

- Worked as the Story Researcher for the Channel 4 soap Hollyoaks.
- Attended monthly short-term conferences and researched upcoming storylines for the soap.
- Attended meetings with charities to discuss long-term storylines and keep them updated as the storyline develops.
- Keep regular contact with medical and police advisor for relevant storylines.
- Updated character bibles, tracked storylines as they went from story to scripts and helped out the continuity for the show.

Dramadan, November 2021 – January 2022

- Working with the development team, idea brainstorming, researching / developing, and writing treatments for fresh new unscripted ideas (dating, reality, shiny floor shows).
- Researching and compiling data into current and future youth trends.
- Designing storyboards and pitch decks for new shows in different genres.
- Developed my own ideas as well as the team's ideas.

Phoenix Radio, Summer 2021

- Assisted in researching for a variety of different live radio shows with a mixture of themes.
- Researched and wrote scripts for adverts during Mental Health Awareness Week and sourced local charities to interview the Station Manager that week.
- Pre-recording and editing a weekend entertainment show.
- Presented live on air.
- Due to my reliability and punctuality, I was often able to also be a last-minute stand in presenter for their breakfast show or when a presenter called in sick.

NCS Mentor, Summer 2019

- Supported a group of young people through a four-week programme with the result, being a social action project.
- My group raised over £1,000 for charity.

Exam invigilator, Childwall Academy, Liverpool, Summer 2019

- Organisation and concentration were vital to make sure the exams were conducted at the highest level of professionalism and fairness.

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

- Watching quiz, entertainment and reality shows as I love improving my knowledge of current TV programming.
- I joined the LGBT+ Equals Society where I attend regular events such as games night, quiz nights and house parties. I have met a plethora of amazing people and I accept all their differences in terms of race, sexual orientation, and gender.
- Playing board games and card games that require a high level of logic and strategy.
- Grade 6 piano and have passed the Grade 5 music theory exam from ABRSM.

PREVIOUS QUALIFICATIONS

King David High School Liverpool, September 2011 – July 2018

- A Level's in Mathematics, Further Mathematics and Chemistry, achieving ACB respectively.
- Achieved a Pass in the Level 3 Award in Algebra.
- Achieved a grade C in the CISI Level 3 Certificate for Introduction to Securities and Investment.
- Achieved ten GCSEs A-C including an A* in Maths and As in English and triple Science.

SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Photoshop
- Premiere Pro
- Microsoft packages
- Social Media