

REBECCA RAPPAPORT | ASSISTANT PRODUCER

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CORE SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

I am a confident, highly motivated and organised assistant producer with experience in entertainment and factual television. I thrive on people and their stories, whether that be finding fantastic contestants and bringing out the best in them for a show such as *The Chase*, or delving deeper into distant communities for *Unreported World*.

Strengths include:

- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to work to tight deadlines and self-manage
- Casting - including large-scale audition tours and remote auditions – and contributor welfare

EMPLOYMENT

Maternity Leave

July 2019 – to date

Winning Combination Non-TX Pilot, ITV, Potato (EP: Martin Scott)

Assistant Producer, May – June 2019 Casting contestants for non-TX pilot, run-throughs and question testing; briefing and supervising contestants at studio.

Celebrity Chase Series 10, ITV1, Potato (EP: Martin Scott)

Assistant Producer, March - April 2019 Liaising with agents; conducting celebrity research chats; writing detailed biogs; briefing and hosting celebrities at studio.

The Chase Series 13, ITV1, Potato (EP: Helen Tumbridge)

Assistant Producer, August 2018 - July 2019 Leading a team of researchers through the casting process including large-scale auditions; cutting casting tapes; overseeing preparation of contestants for studio including thorough background checks, detailed biogs, welfare, and health and safety information; leading briefings at studio and being responsible for contestant welfare during recordings.

The Chase Series 12/Celebrity Chase Series 8 & 9, ITV1, Potato (EP: Helen

Tumbridge) Senior Researcher, Jan 2018 – July 2018 Casting and preparing contestants for filming; conducting celebrity research chats and writing detailed biogs; briefing contestants and celebrities at studio; updating social media.

Development, Spun Gold TV (Series Producer: Sue Allison)

Contestant Assistant Producer, September 2017 Preparing and briefing contestants for quiz show run-through to BBC commissioners.

Maternity Leave

November 2016 - December 2017

Masterpiece, ITV, Spun Gold TV (Series Producer: Sue Allison)

Contestant Researcher, September 2016 - November 2016 Casting contestants for antiques-based game show; targeting and street casting; conducting Skype interviews; cutting audition tapes; independently casting shows while rest of the team on location; preparing studio paperwork and booking in contestants.

Selling Houses with Amanda Lamb, Channel 4, Reef TV (SP: Charlotte Smith)

Casting Researcher, September 2016

Casting home-buyers and -sellers on a fast turn-around.

***Unreported World*, Channel 4, Quicksilver Media (Series Editor: Hugo Ward)**

Researcher, August 2016 Researching and developing potential current affairs stories; sourcing foreign contributors and setting up interviews; fact checking; sourcing archive; transcribing footage and interviews.

***Morning Ireland*, RTE News (Series Editor: Shane McElhatton)**

Researcher, June 2016 Greeting guest speakers and assisting the editor during live radio coverage of the EU Referendum.

***Pointless Series 16, 17 & 18/Pointless Celebrities Series 9b & 10*, BBC1, Endemol UK (Series Producer: John Ryan)**

Researcher, January 2016 – July 2016 Casting contestants including targeting for diversity; background checking, conducting thorough research chats and writing detailed studio biogs; leading studio briefings.

***Game Show Development Taster Tape*, So Television (Executive Producer: Ruth Wrigley)**

Researcher, November 2015 – December 2015 Casting contestants; sourcing props and setting up tasks; sourcing and clearing locations; assisting the PD on location with chaperoning contestants, implementing tasks, logging and data wrangling.

***Celebrity Chase Series 5*, ITV1, Potato (Series Producer: Helen Tumbridge)**

Studio Researcher, July 2015 – October 2015 Conducting research chats, writing studio biogs and briefing celebrity contestants at studio; shooting behind the scenes footage and interviews with celebrities for *The Chase* YouTube channel.

***The Chase Series 9*, ITV1, Potato (Series Producer: Helen Tumbridge)**

Junior Studio Researcher, November 2014 – July 2015 Writing studio biogs; briefing and looking after contestants at studio; assisting with auditions; background checking and booking in contestants.

***All-Star Family Fortunes (S28)*, ITV1, Thames (Series Producer: Barry Hart)**

Junior Prizes Researcher, September 2014 – October 2014 Sourcing prizes and coordinating prize allocation and delivery; assisting with writing the voiceover script for prizes VTs; sourcing footage and assisting with the edit for prizes VTs; invigilating the game during rehearsal.

***Boots 'Faith' Campaign*, John Stanley Productions (Senior Producer: Rachel Viner)**

Researcher/Chaperone, March 2014 – April 2014 Chaperoning contributors closely over four weeks during documentary style filming for a commercial; story researching; obtaining location clearance and contributor release forms; assisting the PD on location.

NOTABLE RUNNER ROLES

***Big Brother 15/Celebrity Big Brother 14*, Channel 5, Endemol UK (SE: Colin Whitaker) Task Runner, May 2014 – September 2014**

***Saturday Kitchen*, BBC1, Cactus (Executive Producer: Amanda Ross)**

Live Show Runner, February 2014 – September 2016

***Take Me Out*, ITV, Thames (Executive Producer: Mel Balac)**

Casting Runner, August – December 2013

EDUCATION

MA in Performance - Mountview Academy of Theatre Arts, September 2005 – September 2006

BA (Hons) in Performing Arts/Dance - University of Winchester, September 2002 – July 2005

REFERENCES

Lisa Milestone (nee Fisher), Casting Producer, *The Chase* – 07917 859123

Sue Allison, Series Producer, *Masterpiece* – 07939 215139