

# FILM AND HIGH-END TELEVISION

Welcome to the Thames Valley - the best-connected region in Europe. Neighbouring London, the Thames Valley is a prosperous, healthier, and greener location, known for being one of UK's most productive, innovative, IP-rich and forward-looking communities.

## WHY THE THAMES VALLEY

The UK is a global leader in the creative industries. UK creative industries add **£125bn** (USD164 bn) to UK economy and **£25bn** (USD 37bn) to the UK trade balance. The UK is first for world-class film and television production.

The beating heart of the industry can be found in the Thames Valley and a unique, rich 85-year history of film making. The region is one of the UK's major production hubs and first for production support; VFX, Post and Animation; film and tv production; award winning cast and crew and facilities; studios and stage space. The region is also home to some of the UK's most iconic film locations and hosts a world class talent, skills and training facilities - Watch HERE.

## YOU ONLY GET ONE CHOICE - MAKE IT THE THAMES VALLEY

The Thames Valley is home to long established, world leading, film studios such as Pinewood Studios, (James Bond and the 007 Stage), Shepperton Studios and BBC Elstree. Following the explosion of new global investment into Thames Valley, and wider area, new studios have opened, including: Amazon's Bray Studios; Ridgeway Studios, Shinfield Studios, Sky Studios Elstree, Symmetry Studios, Warner Bros Studios (Leavesden).

Industry Leading Training, launching future careers in film, theatre and television, including:

- National Film and Television School
- University of Reading
- Oxford Brookes University

Iconic films and High-End TV programmes filmed in the Thames Valley include:

Alien (1979), Bodyguard (2018), Bridgerton (2020-24), Deadpool and Wolverine (2024), George Lucas' Star Wars' (1977 - 1983), Hammer films, The Rocky Horror Picture Show (1975), Indiana Jones Franchise (1981 - 1989), James Bond franchise (1964), Mamma Mia (2018), Rocketman (2019)

## INVESTABLE COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Generous Tax Relief - The UK's creative tax reliefs are recognised as being the most transparent and inclusive in the world, with payable cash rebates of up to 53% on qualifying UK expenditure (for productions up to £15m).
- Ready access to in-region expertise, locations, production facilities, and talent recruitment through respected, established, partners e.g., Berkshire Film Office, Buckinghamshire Film Office and Location Oxfordshire.
- Available studios and amazing Locations.
- Direct access to the most internationally connected airport in the world - London Heathrow.

## HOW WE CAN HELP

With over 20 years of expertise in supporting UK and foreign owned companies across international trade and inward investment services, Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce offers a full range of initial non-chargeable services and introductions to commercial partner expertise to help you make informed decisions that support your initial investment and future growth here in the region.

Learn more about the Thames Valley and our inward investment centre of excellence at: <https://www.thamesvalleychamber.co.uk/inward-investment/>