

## JENNIFER HALL



Jen is the producer of Manchester Animation Festival. Before setting up and running MAF, she worked for the Bradford Animation Festival (BAF) for 7 years. She is also the founder and programmer of **This Is Not a Cartoon**, a touring programme of animated short films and director interviews that is run with Skwigly.com.

On top of this, her day job is working for the film team at HOME, Manchester's independent cinema and arts venue.

To find out more about Manchester Animation Film Festival and book tickets to their events go to: [www.manchesteranimationfestival.co.uk](http://www.manchesteranimationfestival.co.uk)

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## STEVE HENDERSON



Steve is the Director of Manchester Animation Festival. He is also the editor and co-owner of [skwigly.com](http://skwigly.com), the UK's biggest online animation magazine and community.

When he isn't doing this, he is a lecturer in Animation at Leeds College of Art and Manchester Metropolitan University. Steve has just completed a PhD in Animation at Loughborough University.

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## DUKE JOHNSON

Duke Johnson is a graduate of New York University and the American Film Institute. **Anomalisa**, which Duke directed alongside Charlie Kaufman, is his first feature film and was nominated for an Academy Award® in the Animated Feature Film category. Duke's previous credits include the *Adult Swim* shows *Moral Orel*, *Mary Shelley's Frankenhole* and *Before Orel*. He also directed the Emmy Award winning episode of NBC's *Community: Abed's Uncontrollable Christmas*.

*"I was delighted to be asked to be this year's Special Guest Director. Dublin was a place I had always been interested in visiting, but I never had the opportunity until now. Ireland's reputation for producing talented animators is growing and I am looking forward to viewing the short films by the Irish studios and Irish students of animation and meeting them in person."*



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