

# EQUITY

## NOMINATION FORM ELECTION OF PRESIDENT 2026–2028

In accordance with Rule M

The signatures of at least 50 members in benefit are required for a valid nomination. As an alternative to a signature, an email confirming that the member wishes to nominate you for President (and passed on to [elections@equity.org.uk](mailto:elections@equity.org.uk)) is also valid.

CANDIDATE'S NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS)	EQUITY NUMBER

**DECLARATION:**

I hereby undertake that, if elected, I will carry out the duties of President in accordance with the Rules of the Union and the law; and will at all times act in accordance with the directions given and with the policies approved by the Council.

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE ..... DATE .....

Those standing for President must also stand for a seat on the Council. In order to complete your Council nomination, please complete the Union's Council nomination form, either online or on paper.

Completed nomination forms should be returned, with a statement and headshot, either by post to: Presidential Nominations, Equity, Guild House, Upper St Martin's Lane, London WC2H 9EG; or by email to: [elections@equity.org.uk](mailto:elections@equity.org.uk)

**Nominations open on Wednesday 4 March 2026**

**The provisional nominations deadline is Monday 20 April 2026**  
Members who have started their nominations by this date will be offered support to complete their nominations by the final deadline.

**Nominations close on Friday 24 April 2026 (12 noon)**

<b>CANDIDATE'S NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS)</b>	<b>EQUITY NUMBER</b>

We, being members of Equity in benefit, hereby nominate the above named as a candidate in the election of President of the union, having read the notes on the relevant Rules as set out on page 5.

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## CHECKLIST

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| 1. Page 1 details completed                           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Declaration signed                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. 50 members listed                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. All 50 signatures or email confirmations submitted | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Statement submitted (250 words maximum)            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Headshot submitted                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Council nomination completed                       | <input type="checkbox"/> |

## NOTES FOR CANDIDATES AND MEMBERS NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNION

1. Candidates for President shall have been members in benefit for four continuous years at the date on which nominations open, and nominated by at least 50 other members in benefit using the Union's nomination form.
2. Members who have been employed by the Union in the five years prior to the closing date for nominations are not eligible to stand for election.
3. Candidates for the President shall also stand for one of the Council seats at Rule J3. If successful in both elections, they shall sit on the Council as President and councillor for their chosen seat. If successful in their election as President only, they shall sit on the Council as President and councillor for one of the 12 General seats (automatically taking the 12th place). In order to complete your Council nomination, please complete the Union's Council nomination form, either online or on paper.
4. It is a condition of nomination that each candidate signs the undertaking set out on page 1.
5. If more than one candidate is nominated for the office of President, a ballot of the entire membership will be conducted to determine the successful candidate.
6. The voting papers, which will be posted to all members in benefit, will contain a list of the candidates and the names of up to 50 individual nominators of each candidate. The choice of names and the order in which they are printed will be selected by the candidate if the candidate wishes.
7. Each candidate may submit an election address of no more than 250 words. The Union shall send these addresses with the voting papers to all members entitled to vote.
8. In order to nominate a candidate in an Equity election, members must be in benefit.

## **RULE M – PRESIDENT**

### *Term*

M1. The President shall be elected every two years by a full vote of the Union at the same time that the Council is elected.

M2. Unless re-elected, the President's term of office shall be two years, starting from the date of the first Council meeting immediately after the President's election, and ending on the date of the first Council meeting immediately after the next President's election two years later.

M3. If the office of President becomes vacant (for any reason) with at least three months of the term remaining, a further election for President shall be held.

### *Candidates*

M4. Candidates for President shall have been members in benefit for four continuous years at the date on which nominations open, and nominated by at least 50 other members in benefit using the Union's nomination form.

M5. Members who have been employed by the Union in the five years prior to the closing date for nominations are not eligible to stand for election.

M6. Candidates for the President shall also stand for one of the Council seats at J3. If successful in both elections, they shall sit on the Council as President and councillor for their chosen seat. If successful in their election as President only, they shall sit on the Council as President and councillor for one of the 12 General seats (automatically taking the 12th place).

### *Elections*

M7. The timetable for the election of the President shall be the same as the timetable for the Council elections and Rule J20 shall apply.

M8. All members in benefit five working days before the date on which nominations open shall be entitled to vote. As far as reasonably practicable, all members entitled to vote shall be sent voting papers at their address in the Union records.

M9. Each member shall have one vote. The candidate who receives the most votes for President shall be elected.

M10. Each candidate may submit an election address of no more than 250 words. The Union shall send these addresses with the voting papers to all members entitled to vote. The Council may decide whether photographs and other material not in words may be included in the election address from time to time.

M11. A voting paper that does not comply with the instructions accompanying the paper and with these Rules shall be disqualified.

M12. A voting paper arriving after the deadline at Rule J20(3) shall be disqualified.

### *Duties*

M13. The President may chair all meetings and conferences when present.

M14. In respect of Council meetings and Union conferences, if a vote is tied, the President (or Vice-President or Honorary Treasurer if presiding in place of the President) shall have the casting vote in addition to their vote as councillor.

M15. The President shall carry out their duties in accordance with these Rules, the policies of the Union and the directions given by the Council.

M16. The President shall represent the Union where appropriate and perform such other duties as decided by the Council from time to time.

M17. The President may delegate their duties to one or other of the Vice-Presidents.