

LONG LIVE THE CHIEF !

Chief Hugh MacLeod of MacLeod.



Hugh MacLeod of MacLeod has been acclaimed by the Associated Clan MacLeod Societies as the 30th Chief of the Clan, which has been ratified by Lord Lyon. Chief Hugh has asked us to introduce him to the Clan at large and his biography gives us an insight into his career and interests.

Biography

Born in London in 1973, he graduated with a BA (Hons) in Film and Modern History from the University of London and the Sorbonne in 1995. After a brief period at Sotheby's and Freud Communications, Hugh began working in television as a researcher and was commissioned to direct/produce *Champagne and Canvas*, a documentary that was nominated for best video production at the 1998 BBC British Short Film Festival.

He gained experience in film production at the London Film School before producing *Cuisine Chinoise* starring Irene Jacob. To date, this film has been broadcast on FilmFour, Sundance Channel, HBO and featured in numerous international film festivals including Edinburgh, Schermi d'Amore, Grenoble winning best short film at Dignes-les-Bains.

Since then Hugh has been working as a freelance director and producer on a variety of television and feature film projects. His debut short film as director, *The Point*, was awarded a certificate of merit at TCM's classic shorts competition in association with the 2001 Regus London Film Festival.

In 2006 he established Morphe Films and optioned the film rights to the Sunday Times bestseller, *The Cloud Garden*, which he is currently co-adapting for the big screen. His development slate also includes the ambitious period feature, *Whom the Gods Love*, based on the book by Joan Alexander.

He divides his time between Dunvegan and London, where he lives with his wife Frederique and son Vincent.

