

# Network News Update

## "in the loop"

The PDF newsletter to the entire online branch.

## This is the Online Branch calling.

May 2019, we are the 350.



Hello Equity Online Branch Members, Caron here, (on the left) Online Branch Moderator, Stagemanager and Social Media Geek!

Yes, you haven't heard from the branch in an official capacity since December last year when the physical membership and digital members parted company.

If you missed the last updates they here are.

Nov2018 - [bit.ly/olbitl-01](http://bit.ly/olbitl-01) & Dec2018 [bit.ly/olbitl02](http://bit.ly/olbitl02)

There was a flurry of communication in January to get a committee in place and that was successful. Since then, the committee has been meeting almost fortnightly to get the branch ready for us to use.

The annual representative conference (ARC) is next weekend in Belfast. I am attending on your behalf along with new committee member, and going forward your PRO (press relations officer), Jason Broderick.

There are 2 motions relating to the online branch, 25 & 26. The branch wasn't able to propose a motion for the agenda this year as our notification system has not been functional. More about that after the annual conference.

**This newsletter's primary purpose is to introduce the branch committee to you, so you know, going forward, there is a team working on your behalf. More regular updates will begin after the ARC.**

### Branch Directory

Official OLB Home Online  
[equityonlinebranch.co.uk](http://equityonlinebranch.co.uk)

Public Facebook Page  
[facebook.com/EquityOLB](https://facebook.com/EquityOLB)

Members Only FB Group  
[facebook.com/groups/equityolb](https://facebook.com/groups/equityolb)

Equity OLB on Twitter  
[twitter.com/equityolb](https://twitter.com/equityolb)

Resources  
Opt-in video HOW TO - 3mins  
[bit.ly/olb-opt-in-howto](http://bit.ly/olb-opt-in-howto)

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Since I took over as moderator in 2015, the potential of the Online Branch, has for me, been a vital motivator in keeping the vision alive. Yes I have stamina! Here we are in 2019.

**Your Committee consists of full time performers, actors, production creatives and stagemanagers just like you:**

Four branch members stood as candidates. There are nine seats. An election wasn't necessary but we did then have five seats to fill. Four members stepped forward and it has been agreed that one seat is being kept open should anyone in the branch membership express interest in serving on the committee.

**Caron Lyon:** (right) Stagemanager - I'm your Branch Chair, my responsibility is to oversee the operation of the branch.



**Helen Raw:** (left) Actor, Singer and Producer - Helen is the Branch Secretary responsible for all of the administrative duties of the branch.

**Jason Broderick:** (right) Singer, Musical Theatre Actor - Jason is the Press Relations Officer responsible for the communication of branch-specific-news as well as leading on the promotion of events, branch activities and content production.



**Terry Victor:** (left) Actor, Director and Writer. One of the first to champion the foundation of an Online Branch, Terry has engaged tirelessly to see it come to fruition - #BeLikeTerry

All members of the committee have a responsibility for moderation and will take turns to keep chat on topic and facilitate motions proposed, progressing them through the branch's online system.

Our four co-opted Committee Members will be introduced fully in the coming months.

- Maureen Beattie - Equity's President & Actor
- Julia Carson Sims - Equity's Co-Vice President & Stagemanager
- Caron Reidy - Equity member & Actor
- Lee Ravitz - Equity Member & Actor



While the notifications have been off, the branch community has been camped out in Facebook. Not everyone is a fan of Facebook which is why we are working to get the official branch platform back to operational status.

In the coming weeks we will be returning to the area of the website provided by Equity. It's still far from perfect but, with your new committee in place, we have a lot in store for you. Please report any rogue notifications to [moderator@equityonlinebranch.co.uk](mailto:moderator@equityonlinebranch.co.uk).