



ALCHEMY
FILM & ARTS

COMMUNITY FILMMAKING





WHO WE ARE

Based in Hawick, Scottish Borders, since 2010

Work with communities and artists both locally and internationally

Values-led, providing inclusive and accessible ways to come together, have conversations, and creatively collaborate

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WHO WE ARE

Collective expression,
creative learning,
critical thinking

Collaboration and partnerships

Flexible and responsive

Critically engaged practice that
places inclusion, equity and social
justice at its centre

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WHO WE ARE

Warmth and hospitality

Openness, experimentation,
creativity, solidarity, humour

Hawick, Scotland's Film Town

"Alchemy puts Hawick on
the map as Scotland's film
town."
– The Southern Reporter, 2018

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WHAT WE DO

FILM TOWN

- Direct engagement
- Community partners
- Themed projects
- First-time filmmakers
- Co-production
- Emphasis on process
- Participants = audiences

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WHAT WE DO

FILM TOWN



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WHAT WE DO

BRANCHING OUT

16 - 25 year old young people with additional support needs

Continued collaboration since 2020

Meaningful and impactful projects that are led by the group

4 films and 1 interactive installation so far...

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WHAT WE DO

VIEWFINDERS

Filmmaking and digital skills
Seven primary schools,
1200 pupils
Enhancing teaching and
learning across curriculum
Teacher Liaison role in place

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RESIDENCIES:
THE WOOL ALIENS

Artist Julia Parks

Creation of four new films working collaboratively with community groups and local historians

Focus on heritage and culture of the textile industry and its impact on our environment

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ALCHEMY FILM AND
MOVING IMAGE FESTIVAL
(27 – 30 APRIL 2023)

Scotland's festival of experimental film
Inclusive and accessible screenings,
exhibitions and events
Non-competitive
Diverse range of programming

“A film festival unlike any other in Scotland, with a distinctive focus on unusual, experimental filmmaking that blurs the boundary between cinema and visual arts.” — The Skinny



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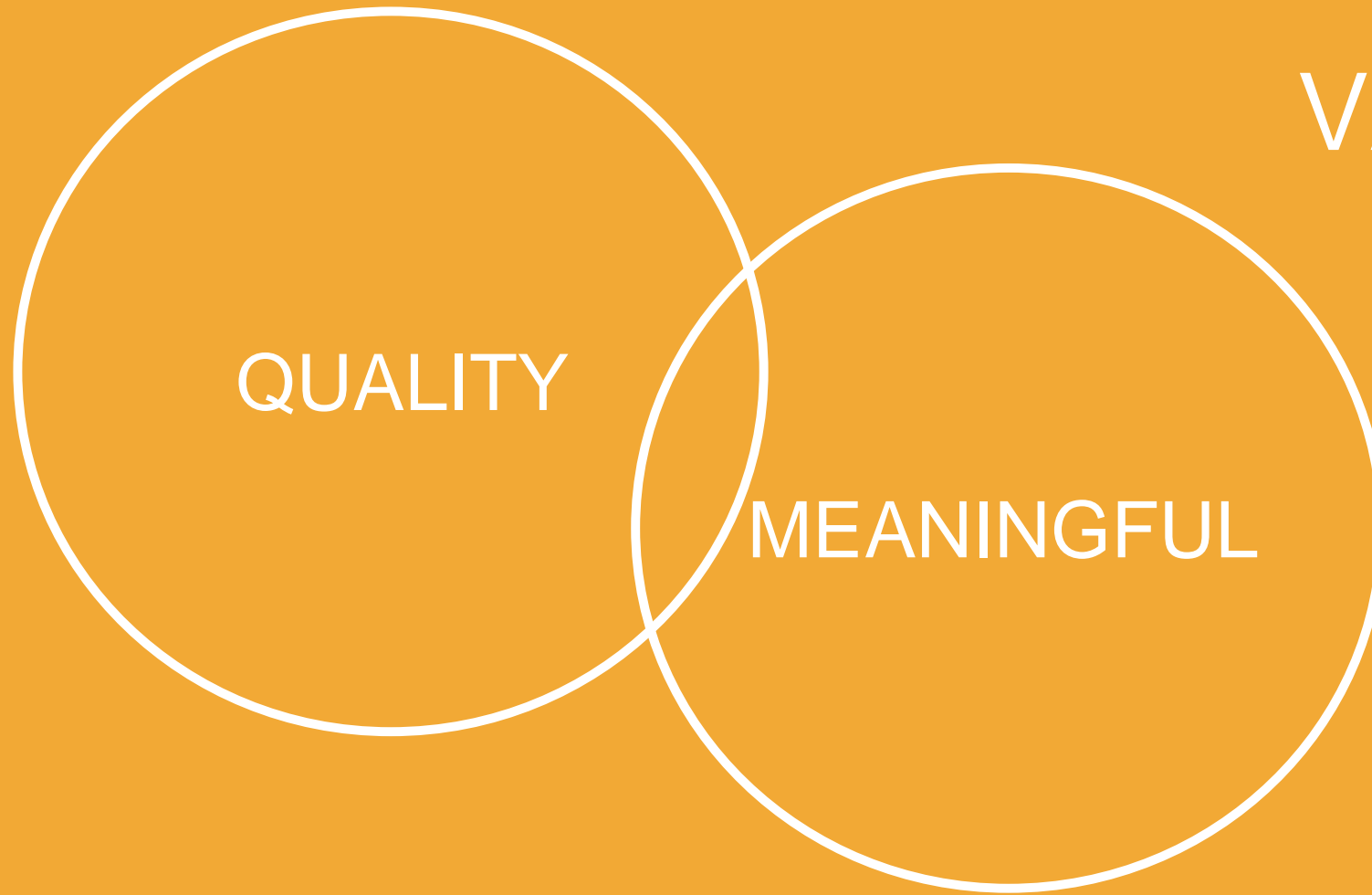


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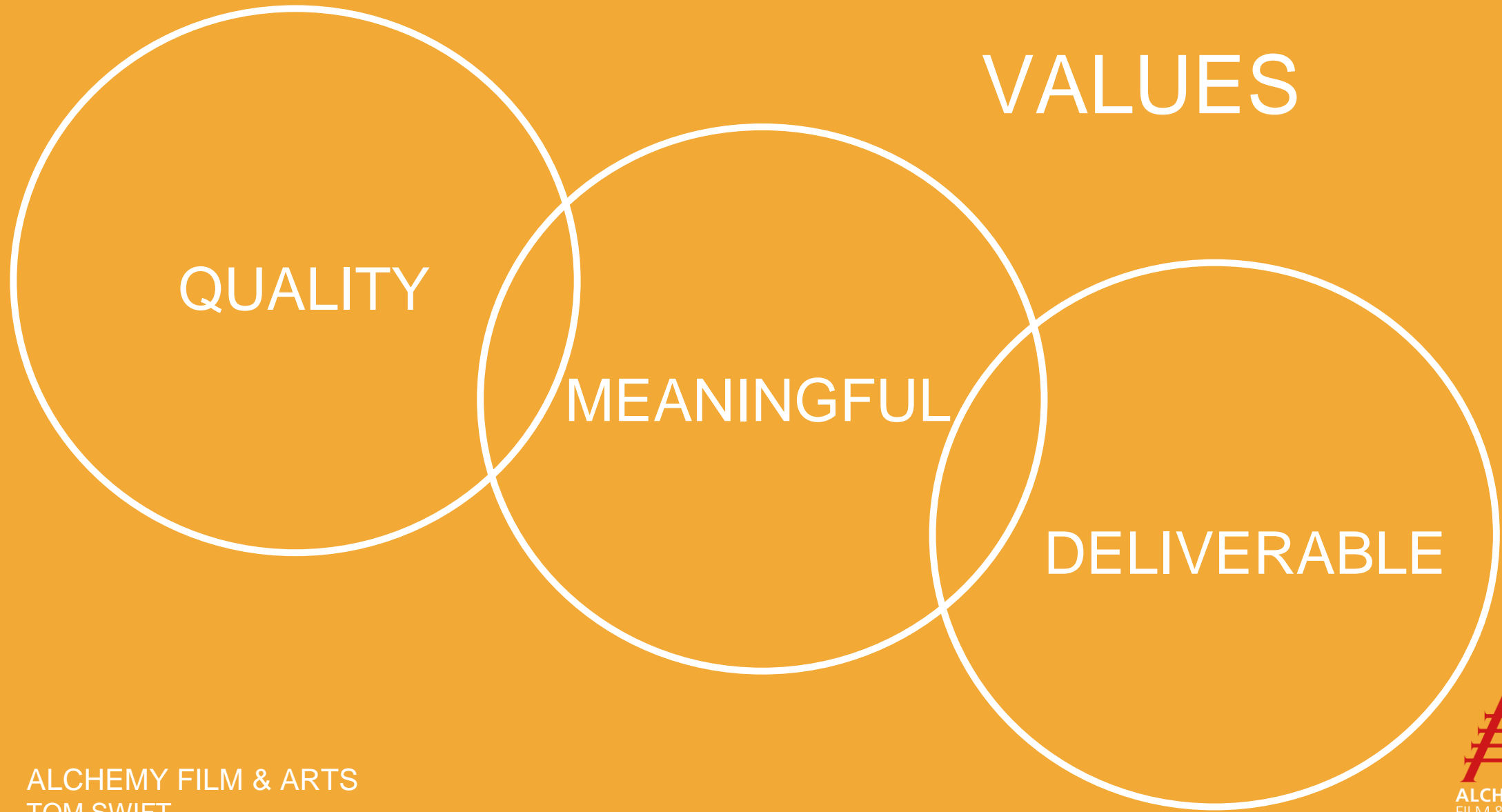
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