



Hull College is part funded through the net315 project which is run in the region by an 'incubation and education' consortium including eight Further Education colleges. It is developing facilities and services that provide additional support for college and community learners to move into and make a success of enterprise. Net315 is supported financially by the European Union, attracting £5.6 million from the European Regional Development Fund as part of Europe's support for the region's economic development through the Yorkshire and Humber ERDF Programme. It provides college students with support, information and guidance to assist them starting their own businesses and becoming self-employed. The website is: <http://www.net315.co.uk/>

More than 30 businesses have started as a result of the support given by HCUK. A wide range of activities feature with a Quail Farmer, a Chocolate Shoe Maker and a Conflict Resolution Mediator being among the more unusual businesses.

The autumn workshop series is underway and we are delighted to be working with 'For Entrepreneurs Only', a local group of business people, which is providing mentoring support for our fledgling businesses.

*Some of the businesses already supported include:*

## **Impressions11**

Ethan Gibson is 21 years old and did a Foundation Degree Business Information Technology. He created Impression 11, a web design business – winning a Young Enterprise award as part of the start up process. His aim has always been to work with local small and medium sized business to help them achieve the most from being online. The business is now growing and Ethan is virtually full time: <http://impression11.co.uk/>.



## **Bantaba Foods**

Mo Bah is 36 years old and did several courses based around Food . He is trading as producer of frozen ready meals. His specialism is African and Caribbean food. The meals are cooked using his grandma Nenneh Mariama's recipes, and now he would like to share these authentic dishes with other people.

<http://www.bantabafoods.co.uk/index.html>.

## **Neon Avenue Productions**

The company was created by Ben Underwood. He is 20 years old and did the 'Broadcast Media' Course for 2 years. He is one half of newly formed video production company called 'Neon Avenue Productions' which is based in Hull. It has a vibrant, cinematic and professional approach to the art of video creation! Neon aims to provide a service that not

only encompasses exactly what their clients want but at a very competitive price.

<http://www.neonavenuevideo.co.uk/>

## **Thomas Arran Photography**

Thomas Arran is 19 years old and did the National Diploma in Photography'. His is developing as a Freelance Photographer currently based in Kingston Upon Hull. Not content with that business alone Tom is now developing a 'pop-up photo booth' which he hopes to launch and then franchise in due course. For examples of his work -

<http://thomasarran.tumblr.com/>

