May 2012 – JCA, the London-based digital specialist, today announces it has digitally remastered ‘A Queen is Crowned’ in HD for ITV Studios Global Entertainment.

Mark Stanborough, Senior Film Services Co-ordinator at ITV Studios Global Entertainment comments: “With royal nostalgia at a high, ITV Studios Global Entertainment wanted to restore ‘A Queen is Crowned’ to the best possible standard. JCA previously restored Sharpe’s Rifles and Poirot for us, so we knew the team could handle the challenge of bringing the documentary digitally up-to-date. Their attention to detail and grading expertise is going to give viewers around the world the opportunity to watch this historic event in a quality previously unseen.”
Matt Bowman, Commercial Director at JCA, adds: “We are receiving an ever-increasing number of digital restoration commissions. From classic shows to historic documentaries filmed decades ago, broadcasters, distributors and producers are keen to maximise the assets they already possess. In this instance, bringing a British documentary about The Queen to life means that ITV Studios Global Entertainment will be able to offer international broadcasters this unique footage for their Diamond Jubilee celebrations in June.”

ITV Studios Global Entertainment commissioned JCA to digitally restore from available film elements. The negatives were scanned to super 2K resolution and then fully restored and graded to create a high definition master.

‘A Queen is Crowned’ is the Oscar nominated and BAFTA award-winning documentary film of Queen Elizabeth II’s coronation and is the only feature-length Technicolor record of the coronation. Narrated by Laurence Olivier, it conveys the sights, sounds and spirit of the historic day in 1953.