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**New Mexico State Film Office to host a
Film and Media Education Summit in
Albuquerque on September 7, 2012**

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The New Mexico State Film Office will host a Film and Media Education Summit on September 7, 2012, from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at the National Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque. University administrators, educators and guidance counselors from schools that offer film and media programs have been invited. Their students are also welcome to attend.

The Summit is an opportunity to discover the numerous programs available in New Mexico that are preparing students to work in this industry. This networking event will include panels and break-out sessions with seasoned industry professionals and educators. Discussions will focus on the successes and challenges of post-secondary programs that concentrate in production. Other topics that will be touched upon are business course requirements and utilizing emerging media as an educational tool. Guest speakers include New Mexico Public Education Department Secretary-Designate Dr. Hanna Skandera, and New Mexico Higher Education Secretary Dr. Jose Garcia in addition to Ms. Talia Kosh a "fair use acts" attorney, and Dr. Rod Sanchez, an expert in the field of emerging media technologies.

"There are so many industry-related programs here in New Mexico doing great things," said New Mexico State Film Office Director Nick Maniatis. "We saw this as an opportunity to create relationships through an open forum with educators to network and share ideas. We plan to host a summit on industry topics that relate to secondary schools in 2013."

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