

New Mexico State Film Office Announces Film Industry Town Hall in Las Cruces

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SANTA FE—New Mexico State Film Office Director Nick Maniatis announced today a Town Hall meeting to take place in Las Cruces on Friday, January 8, 2016. Film Office Director Nick Maniatis will discuss the state of the film industry including opportunities available to New Mexico residents. The meetings are intended to provide an open forum for each community to share information about local activity such as educational programs and film related business as well as relaying any issues of concern.

The Las Cruces Town Hall will be held at the historic Rio Grande Theatre. The Rio Grande Theatre came to life on July 29, 1926 with the opening of the silent film, “Mare Nostrum”. The Theatre has survived both earthquake and fire and is now a 422-seat, state-of-the-art performing arts facility and is also home to the offices of the Dona Ana Arts Council.

Prior to each Town Hall meeting, participants will have an opportunity to have their head shot (photograph) taken which will be given to Extra casting directors in New Mexico. Those who already have a headshot are encouraged to bring them to the Town Hall meeting and fill out the casting call registration form. This opportunity is for informational purposes only and is not in response to a particular production.

The Town Hall is free and open to all, including students, local filmmakers, businesses and the general public. The New Mexico State Film Office collaborates with local film liaisons, schools and chambers of commerce in conducting these events.

LAS CRUCES TOWN HALL - Friday, January 8, 2016

LOCATION: Rio Grande Theater, 211 N. Main Street Las Cruces, NM 88001
Phone: (575) 523-6403

AGENDA: 6:00 pm – Submit your headshot and resume for distribution to Extras casting directors
7:00 pm - Welcome and Introductions
7:15 pm - State of the NM Film Industry by Director Nick Maniatis
7:30 pm - Outreach Programs update by Belle Allen, NMFO State Outreach Coordinator
7:40 pm - Film Locations by Don Gray, NMFO contracted Locations Manager
7:45 pm - Q & A

There is no RSVP necessary to attend the Town Hall meeting and surrounding communities are encouraged to participate in the discussion. The expected timeframe for the Town Hall is approximately two (2) hours with Q&A.

For more information on the 2016 Film Industry Town Hall meeting contact Belle Allen at 505-476-5671.

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