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The New Mexico Film Office Announces a Short Film, *Sirocco* has Completed Production in New Mexico



Image Credit: *Sirocco*

Pictured (from left to right): Shelby Snoeberger, Rylee Norman, Elizabeth Garland, Thomas Ropp and Raina Harper.

SANTA FE, NM - The New Mexico Film Office announced today a short film, *Sirocco* produced by Delphi Project Productions has completed production in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Sirocco is an extended music video/music film produced in partnership with the City of Albuquerque Virtual Visionaries, Studio 519 and the Music Teachers National Association and the Professional Music Teachers Association of New Mexico. It is a film concerning our relationship to the COVID-19 pandemic, a tribute to those we have lost and a reflection on the new world we have become part of as a result. Original compositions by Elizabeth Garland and Keely Mackey performed by Delphi Project are at the heart of this film, which features an interview with the founder of the Ezra Trager-Tarrant Foundation for Music and Education. Utilizing the talents of New Mexico artist/cinematographer, Nicole Kesel, New Mexico editor Helen Dundas, New Mexico recording studios and UNM student filmmakers and crew spotlights the amazing talent in this state.

“New Mexico is not only a place for film and television production. Our state has the ecosystem to support projects in the multimedia space including the production of music videos” said Amber Dodson, Director, New Mexico Film Office.

Sirocco is directed and produced by M. Elizabeth Garland, (Composer- *Ink, A Tale of Captivity*, Composer- *Not Suitable*, Composer- *Curanderas*, Composer- *Shakespeare's Women*, Composer- *Get Your Hair Back*, Composer- *Mikhailwitl*, Composer- *PSA for Enlace Comunitario*).

"We are grateful for the unique and excellent partnership with Studio 519, and the funding for Virtual Visionaries through the City of Albuquerque and the New Mexico Music Teachers Commissioning program to bring this film about music and healing to life," said Garland.

The production employed approximately 2 New Mexico crew members and 4 New Mexico principal actors. Principal cast includes New Mexico residents Keely Mackey, Robb Janov, Dan Manweller, and Elizabeth Garland.

For any additional information on the production, contact:
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All film and television productions in New Mexico are required to adhere to the state's operative emergency public health order, associated public health restrictions and COVID-Safe Practices.

The New Mexico Film Office has released Back2One, a catchall set of principles, general recommendations, and resources for film and television productions operating during COVID-19. Back2One recommendations and other COVID-Safe Practices can be found at **nmfilm.com**.

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