

# NY ♥ FILM NEWSLETTER

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## COMMISSIONER KENNETH ADAMS KEYNOTES COLLIDER CONFERENCE



On June 10th, Empire State Development President, CEO and Commissioner Kenneth Adams kicked off COLLIDER in New York City, the first digital and post industry conference of its kind held on the East Coast. The more than 400 attendees - representatives from animation, VFX, motion design studios, post facilities, interactive studios, video game developers, broadcasters, ad agencies, brands/marketers and freelancers - participated in a three day agenda including master classes, a job fair, and the conference, which addressed a broad range of issues impacting the industry. [Read more here.](#)

## CAMERAS ARE ROLLING ACROSS NEW YORK STATE

From *The Normal Heart* in Long Island to *7 Years, 3 Days* in Hudson Valley, it's a win-win for both filmmakers and communities

The film and television business is booming in New York State. Thanks to the New York State Film Production Credit Program along with the variety of amazing locations and the wealth of talent, crews and available facilities, film-making in New York State is at an all-time high. [Read more here.](#)



## VISIT WESTERN NEW YORK AT THE LOCATIONS TRADE SHOW



Every year the Association of Film Commissioners International (AFCI) hosts the [Locations Trade Show](#) in Los Angeles. This year some of the Upstate New York film offices will be there to promote the benefits of filming in their regions, which includes taking advantage of the recently enhanced and extended (through 2019) New York State Film Production Credit Program.

The [Buffalo/Niagara Film Commission](#) and the [Rochester/Finger Lakes Film Office](#) will share **booth #119** during the three-day event, which takes place June 27-29 at the Los Angeles Convention Center. If you are attending the trade show, be sure to stop by and learn more about the diverse locations, the local support and crews, and especially the savings you will experience while filming not only in Western New York but throughout the whole State! Even if your script doesn't take place in New York, the diverse and rich offerings of the State's locations can stand-in for sites around the world. [Read more here.](#)

## UPCOMING INDUSTRY EVENTS



There is always plenty to do in New York State. Here is a list of some upcoming industry events throughout the State. [Full list of events here.](#)

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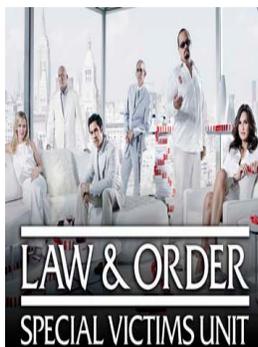
## Some Great Productions Being Shot Throughout New York State



## STAY TUNED: TV PRODUCTION SOARS IN NEW YORK

From new pilots and television shows to recurring TV series, the world of television production is thriving in New York State- within New York City and beyond the five boroughs. Since [Governor Andrew Cuomo](#) took office on January 1, 2011, there have been 116 television pilots and series that have taken advantage of the [New York State Film Production Credit](#) program, pumping more than \$3.1 billion into New York's economy.

"New York has traditionally provided a fascinating array of backdrops against which to shoot our varied television shows, whether it's the gritty streets of *Law & Order* or the beautiful theatre district for *Smash* or our own Rockefeller Center for *30 Rock*," said Bob Greenblatt, Chairman, [NBC Entertainment](#).



"The state's tax incentive program has made producing these shows and others-including *America's Got Talent* and the upcoming *The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon* and *The Michael J. Fox Show*- even more feasible as a beacon for attracting top talent, in front of and behind the camera, who prefer to work in New York." Many of New York's new shows are getting a lot of attention in the news.



Check out this recent story about the highly-anticipated series [Orange Is The New Black](#), which will begin streaming on [Netflix](#) July 11th. [Read more here.](#)

## SUFFOLK COUNTY GRANT PROGRAM MAXIMIZES BUDGET



Did you know that when you film in Suffolk County you may be eligible for money towards the completion of your project?

The Suffolk County Low Budget Independent Film Completion Grant is a Suffolk County Film Commission initiative administered by the Cinema Arts Centre of Huntington. The purpose of the grant is to create opportunities for filmmakers who shoot in Suffolk County. It supports the completion of high quality, original director-driven low budget independent films from both emerging and established filmmakers who have completed fifty percent of principal photography within Suffolk County. [Read more here.](#)

## STUDIO SPOTLIGHT: YOUNG LION STUDIOS

Just ten minutes from Rochester International Airport, Rochester Tech Park is also the home to [Young Lion Studios](#). Young Lion is situated in a five million square foot complex that was first developed by the Eastman Kodak Company and was once regarded as the flagship site of the motion picture film and imaging giant.



Production on the Lot

Today, the site represents one of the largest and most significant multi-use complexes available for lease and new development in the United States, and is home to one of the largest film and television studios in the northeast. Young Lion represents a major initiative to further the film and television industries in Rochester and the Finger Lakes, is a ["Qualified Production Facility"](#) for eligible projects participating in the New York State Film Production Credit Program, and is a cost effective destination for productions. [Read more here.](#)

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