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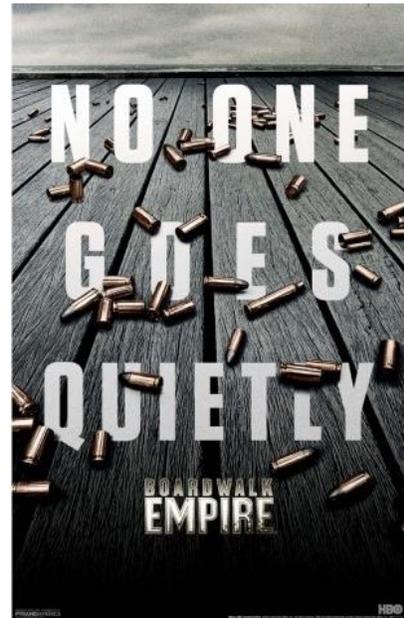
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## ***ECONOMIC IMPACT SNAPSHOT: Boardwalk Empire Series Finale Rounds Out an Amazing Five Season Run***

The economic benefits resulting from *Boardwalk Empire* filming five seasons in New York State have been significant. According to data provided by HBO, the production in New York State hired over 12,000 crew and 8,000 extras, took over 3,000 hotel room nights, and provided a big boost to the New York State economy by spending hundreds of millions of dollars filming on locations in the Hudson Valley, on Long Island and in all five boroughs of New York City for a variety of goods and services.

Principal photography for *Boardwalk Empire* began in June 2009, and premiered on September 19, 2010. To recreate the Atlantic City Boardwalk as it existed during the prohibition era of the 1920s and 1930s, the production built a 300-foot long boardwalk set in an empty lot in Brooklyn - the largest outdoor set ever constructed in New York up to that time. The final episode of *Boardwalk Empire* airs on HBO on Sunday, October 26 at 9pm.

"I obviously have great love for New York. It is a rich and vibrant city with surrounding areas that always elevate and enrich a production," said Terence Winter, executive producer and creator of *Boardwalk Empire*. "Shooting *Boardwalk Empire* here for five years was a wonderful experience that could only be realized with the collaborative efforts of the State." For the full story, click [here](#).



## ***New York Loves Film Roadshow Celebrates One Year Anniversary***

*Filmmaker Roundtables Prove Popular Across New York State*



*Debut of the New York Loves Film Roadshow at the 2013 Woodstock Film Festival.*

The New York State Governor's Office for Motion Picture & Television Development (MPTV) returned to the Woodstock Film Festival this weekend to present their *New York Loves Film Roadshow*, one year after launching at the 2013 Woodstock Festival.

The *New York Loves Film Roadshow* is a 90-minute, face-to-face conversation among filmmakers, production support service professionals, small business owners, post-production providers and representatives from the Governor's Film Office in which participants engage in a free-flowing exchange of ideas relating to every aspect of filmmaking in New York. For the full story, click [here](#).

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## ***New York State Gaming Commission: Beyond the Saratoga Race Course***

***"St. Vincent" and Other Films Utilize New York State Gaming Locales***

The New York State Gaming Commission regulates all aspects of gaming and gambling activity in the state, including horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering, Class III Indian Gaming, the state lottery (including video lottery terminals), charitable gaming, regulating the facilities and issuing licenses to the facility operators. So what does a gaming commission have to do with your next production? The Commission can also facilitate filming requests on properties where gaming activity takes place.

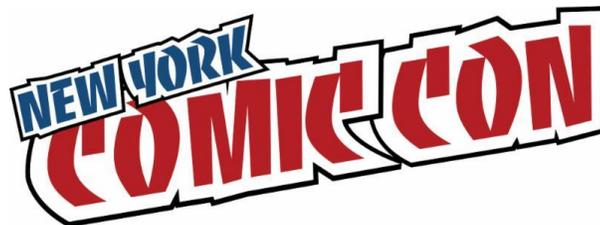
The NYS Gaming Commission serves as a liaison between filmmakers and racetracks, casinos and NYS Lottery stand property owners. For the full story, click [here](#).



*Saratoga Race Track.*

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## ***Projects Filmed in New York State Are a Hit at New York Comic Con***



Walking through New York Comic Con at the Javits Center on October 9-12, it's hard not to suffer from a touch of sensory overload. Between the tables filled with colorful trading cards and figurines, the seemingly endless sea of new and vintage comic books, and the eye-catching costumes, there's simply a lot going on. Comic Con is also a great place to get a sneak peek at upcoming projects and mingle with New York icons like Spiderman or one of the local legends from *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*. *The Amazing Spiderman 2* and *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*, released in May and August, spent over \$190 million across the state (including stints shooting in Rochester and the North Country) and hired over 10,000 New Yorkers.

Another exciting feature of the four-day event was a panel about *Daredevil*, the first of Marvel TV's

upcoming *Defenders* series, which is projected to spend over \$200 million in New York and create 400 permanent jobs. The panel featured showrunner Steven DeKnight, Marvel Head of Television Jeph Loeb, and stars Charlie Cox, Vincent D'Onofrio and Deborah Ann Woll, along with other cast members. For the full story, click [here](#).

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## ***MEET THE TEAM: Karl Berger, Department of Environmental Conservation***

*Adirondacks State Park is Just One of the Film Friendly Natural Resources in New York*

Karl Berger is the Department of Environmental Conservation's Chief of the Bureau of Public Outreach in the Office of Communication Services and a Citizen's Participation Specialist who also works in the DEC Regional Offices, facilitating requests that include movie, TV production and other media inquiries. He has been with DEC for 25 years.

The mission of DEC is to conserve, improve and protect New York's natural resources and environment and to prevent, abate and control water, land and air pollution, in order to enhance the health, safety and welfare of the people of the state and their overall economic and social well-being.

Berger says, "Most often, as stewards of state land we are asked to provide permits for film and television producers to use New York State properties in their productions. The permits, known as TRPs or "temporary revocable permits" allow the use of the lands for activities that are not usual or typical after DEC determined that they are appropriate, safe activities." For the full story, click [here](#).



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## ***FILM GOOD/DO GOOD: High Falls Film Festival in Rochester, New York***



From the Hamptons to The Finger Lakes, film festivals are in full swing across New York State. The High Falls Film Festival (HFFF) in Rochester, NY took place on October 23-26 and is one of the area's most celebrated cultural events. Rochester and its rich history (Susan B. Anthony launched her fight for women's equality and George Eastman invented motion picture film in Rochester) provide an ideal backdrop for the festival, which was created to raise awareness of films made by women and for women.

This year, HFFF aimed to raise awareness of the homeless youth crisis by screening *The Homestretch*, a documentary directed by Ann DeMare and Kirsten Kelly that addresses the shocking reality facing 1.6 million children in America. In *The Homestretch*, viewers meet three homeless teens: Kasey, Anthony and Roque, whose stories are haunting, achingly moving, and extraordinarily inspiring. For the full story, click [here](#).

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## ***TALENT SPOTLIGHT: New York Based Skeleton Twins Producer Jared Goldman***

Jared Goldman is a New York based, award-winning independent producer who got his start in the film industry right out of college by working in the Delivery and Business Affairs department at Miramax. The job not only provided an excellent learning experience that would serve his career as a producer, it was also the first step in establishing himself as a prominent New York filmmaker.

After Miramax, Goldman moved on to GreeneStreet Films in New York, where he served as the Manager of the Production Department for nearly four years, working on such New York based films as *Uptown Girls* and *Swimfan*. Goldman most recently produced *The Skeleton Twins*, filmed in Nyack, Upper Nyack, Old Tappan and Brooklyn, and starring Kristen Wiig, Bill Hader, Luke Wilson and Ty Burrell.

Currently playing in theaters, *The Skeleton Twins* was written and directed by Craig Johnson and also written by Mark Heyman (writer of *Black Swan*, which also shot in New York).

For the full story, click [here](#).



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## ***LOCATION SPOTLIGHT: Long Island University Post College Campus Boasts Extensive Production Activity***



*"Madam Secretary's" Tea Leoni and Tim Daly on location at LIU Post University.*

Located on Long Island's famed North Shore, the LIU Post spans 307 acres of manicured lawns, including an arboretum, labyrinth, and flower gardens. The historic Tudor mansion that was once the residence of Marjorie Merriweather Post (heiress of the Post Cereal Company) sits at the center of the campus and overlooks the main lawn of the campus grounds.

Most recently, LIU Post was the shooting location for the romantic comedy *The Rewrite*, starring Hugh Grant and Marisa Tomei. Several key scenes were shot on the campus, resulting in 11 days of physical production. For the full story, click [here](#).

## ***SAVE THE DATE: October - November 2014***

### ***TV & Film Premieres***

Alpha House - Season 2 - October 24, 2014 on Amazon  
Friends of the People - October 28 on TruTV at 10:30pm  
Elementary Season 3 - October 30 on CBS at 10pm  
Low Down - October 24, 2014 - Oscilloscope Pictures  
John Wick - October 24, 2014 - Lionsgate  
Stonehearst Asylum - October 24, 2014 - Millenium Entertainment

For more information and upcoming TV & film premieres, click [here](#).



### ***Film Festivals & Events***

Film Columbia Festival - October 22-26, 2014  
Margaret Mead Film Festival - October 23-26, 2014  
High Falls Film Festival - October 23-26, 2014  
All American High School Film Festival - October 24-26, 2014  
Reel Sisters of the Diaspora Film Festival & Lecture Series - October 25-26, 2014  
NYC Food Film Festival - October 29 - November 1, 2014

For more information on upcoming film festivals & events, click [here](#).

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