

# LIIFE 2016 Long Island International Film Expo

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The 19th Annual Long Island International Film Festival kicked off its Awards Ceremony this Thursday with Host Kevin Brown (Dot Com in *30 Rock*) welcoming filmmakers and film lovers.



*Bellmore, New York, USA. July 21, 2016. The 19th Annual Long Island International Film Expo Awards Ceremony, LIIFE 2016, is held at the historic Bellmore Movies. (© 2016 Ann Parry/Ann-Parry.com)*

Then Brown served his first helping of topical humor – notably about a certain national political convention that, like LIIFE 2016, was in its final night.

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*Bellmore, New York, USA. July 21, 2016. Actor KEVIN BROWN hosts 19th Annual Long Island International Film Expo Awards Ceremony, LIIFE 2016, held at Bellmore Movies. (© 2016 Ann Parry/Ann-Parry.com)*

Singers [Robbie Rosen](#), from neighboring Merrick, and [Sarah Barrios](#), each a mere three years older than LIIFE itself, sang solo and together. Their duet "Chains" – which they performed both that night and in the Musical Video that went on to win that category – was one of restrained raw emotion and distinctive, complimentary singing styles.



*Bellmore, New York, USA. July 21, 2016. Singers ROBBIE ROSEN and SARAH BARRIOS sing duet "Chains" at Long Island International Film Expo Awards Ceremony, LIIFE 2016. (© 2016, Ann Parry/Ann-Parry.com)*

Actor **Cathy Moriarity** (Vikki LaMotta in *Raging Bull*) gave an affectionate introduction to the honoree receiving LIIFE's Lifetime Achievement Award, acting legend **Ed Asner** – best known to my generation as Lou Grant in *Mary Tyler Moore Show*, and known to my grandson as widower Carl in Pixar's animated *Up*.



*Bellmore, New York, USA. July 21, 2016. Actress CATHY MORIARTY introduces Lifetime Achievement honoree Ed Asner at the 19th Annual Long Island International Film Expo Awards Ceremony. (© 2016 Ann Parry/Ann-Parry.com)*



*Bellmore, New York, USA. July 21, 2016. Actor ED ASNER receives the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 19th Annual Long Island International Film Expo Awards Ceremony, LIIFE 2016. (© 2016 Ann Parry/Ann-Parry.com)*

Long Island's own Angela Anton – the Publisher of Anton Community Newspapers, and a philanthropist and volunteer, including Board President of the Nassau County Museum of Art – received the Humanitarian Award.

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LIIFE's three surviving co-founders each spoke: Debra Markowitz, the Nassau County Film Commissioner; and Anne Stampfel and husband Henry Stampfel, co-owners of the historic Bellmore Movies where the Awards Ceremony was held.



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