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**Writer/Director Elias Plagianos to be  
Featured at the Long Island Intl Film Expo  
(LIIFE) Filmmakers Connection Meeting**

*Acclaimed Local Filmmaker to Speak on his Experience in Entertainment*



New York, NY (April, 2020) - Elias Plagianos, the New York based Filmmaker best known for "The Crimson Mask" and "Shoot Me Nicely" will be the

featured speaker at the LIIFE Online Filmmakers Connection Meeting on Monday, April 6th, 2020 beginning at 7 pm EST. Interested viewers can visit and "Like" their Facebook page to join at <https://www.facebook.com/LongIslandFilm> and the meeting link will be given there.

LIIFE is the premiere filmmaker community on Long Island sponsored by the Long Island Film/TV Foundation (LIFTF), the County of Nassau and the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency which shows over 160 short and feature-length films of every genre. This year, the 23rd Annual LIIFE will be held from July 10 - 16, 2020 and will include local and foreign film screenings, celebrity appearances, entertaining and informative panels, a star-studded awards ceremony, Q & A with filmmakers from the world over and networking galore. Decorated Actress Katherine Narducci (The Sopranos), Emmy Award winning News Anchor Maurice Dubois (CBS 2 - TV in NYC) and Dynamic Director Jeremiah Kipp (Grave Discoveries) will also be honored for their accomplishments that night.

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Festivals of the past have included such luminaries as the late Danny Aiello, Ed Asner, Blue Bloods' Robert Clohessy and Abigail Hawk, Ralph Macchio, John Amos, Ally Sheedy, 30 Rock's Kevin Brown, Cathy Moriarty, Steve Buscemi, Ed Burns, William Sadler, Ilene Kristen, and so many more.

Writer / Director Elias Plagianos' film and television projects have won Best Director, Best Feature Film, Best Short Film, Best TV Pilot, and Best Actor awards for his cast at over 75 International Film Festivals including 10 of MovieMaker Magazine's list of Top 25 and Top 50 Festivals.

In addition to his creative work behind the camera, he is a partner at the new media startup venture "Zero Channel". Their first project (written and directed by Plagianos) "Shoot Me Nicely" stars iconic actors Linda Hamilton and William Sadler. Shoot Me Nicely won over 40 awards at international festivals, including being named Best Independent TV Pilot by Sky TV, Europe's largest media broadcaster, at Snowdance, and winning Best TV Pilot at the Academy qualifying Hollyshorts in Los Angeles.

Elias recently directed and produced "Distemper" from a grant by the prestigious Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, produced the Australian film "Rancour" for Blumhouse-owned CryptTV, and is currently in development on several feature film and new media projects as he tours the festival circuit with his latest award winning film "Sombra City", a future noir filmed in Havana, Cuba.

This year Elias was named the Artistic Director and Head of Programming for the North Fork TV festival. He is very proud of his work curating submissions and working with top industry show-runners and executives to highlight diverse, independent voices and be a champion of independent television.

For More Information on LIIFE, Visit: [www.LongIslandFilm.com](http://www.LongIslandFilm.com)

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SUBMIT YOUR FILM NOW for "Scared for Your LIIFE", the Long Island Film-TV Foundation's short horror film festival that is heading into its fourth year this October!

To submit, go to:

<https://filmfreeway.com/ScaredforyourLiife>

(Alumni discounts are available for past LIIFERs by emailing [longislandfilmexpo@gmail.com](mailto:longislandfilmexpo@gmail.com))

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