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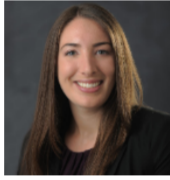
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Long Island International Film Expo underway

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The 24th annual Long Island International Film Expo is underway, running through Aug. 15 at the Bellmore Movies, and virtually.

The festival comprises 125 feature-length films, with 28 by Long Islanders. It features 20 world premieres, nine U.S. premieres, 39 Long Island premieres, and films from 10 countries.

This year's festival sponsors include Nassau County, Long Island Film-TV Foundation (LIFTF), the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency and Gold Coast Studios.

Home to Grumman Studios and Gold Coast Studios, the county has positioned itself "Hollywood East," highlighting the region as a filming destination. Scenes have already been shot in Nassau County for Madame Secretary, Orange is the New Black, Homeland, Billions and others.

The film expo "is a perfect opportunity to show off our rich film culture," Laura Curran, the county executive, said in a statement.



"The media and entertainment industry is tremendously important to Nassau County's economy and we are seeking to grow this industry in the near future," Nassau County Industrial Development Agency Chairman Richard Kessel said in a statement.

"With its close proximity to New York City, its talent guilds and unions, and a third studio being built in Port Washington, Nassau County is ideally situated to become the hub of top-quality TV, film broadcasting, advertising and streaming content production creating more jobs and putting dollars back into Nassau's economy," he added.

A full list of the films is available [here](#).



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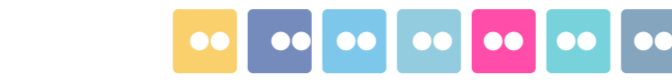
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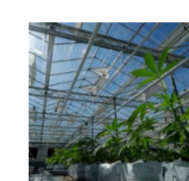
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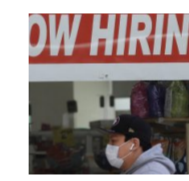
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