

THE MISSOURI FILM COMMISSION WEEKLY WRAP-UP

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Welcome to the Weekly Wrap-Up, the weekly e-newsletter produced by the Missouri Film Office. Here you'll get the latest updates on film and video production in Missouri.

Just to demonstrate what a busy year it's been, two features will be rolling cameras beginning Monday in the St. Louis area. "Still Waters," a feature starring Clifton Collins Jr. ("Alias"), Jason Clarke ("Rabbit-Proof Fence") and Lake Bell ("Boston Legal"), begins principal photography on Monday, Oct. 23 in St. Charles. Four weeks of shooting will also take the production to locations in St. Louis and Drake. Meanwhile "Alice" will be in its third week of lensing. Luke Perry and Springfield native Lucas Grabeel are part of the cast for this family film based upon the children's books by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, the author of "Saving Shiloh," which filmed in Missouri last year.



Updates . . . On the heels of successful organizational meetings in Kansas City and St. Louis, MOMMA (Missouri Motion Media Association) has scheduled two more regional lunch meetings, in Springfield on Nov. 8 and Branson on Nov. 9 . . . "Killshot," the feature filmed partly in Cape Girardeau earlier this year, was originally supposed to open in theatres this month. The date was pulled, however, and the production company has not indicated any plans to open the film before the end of the year . . . Cinema St. Louis offered a sneak peek Thursday night (10/19) at some of the more than 200 shorts, features and documentaries that will screen at the **St. Louis International Film Festival**, Nov. 10-19 get the schedule at www.cinemastlouis.org . . . **Cineposium**, the annual training session conducted for film commissioners by the Association of Film Commissioners International, begins next week in Pasadena, Calif. Both Missouri Film Office staff members will attend, so there will be no Weekly WrapUp the week of Oct. 23. It will return the week of Oct. 30.

KDHX TV, Cinema St. Louis, and the True/False Film Festival have teamed up for the **GIMME TRUTH! Video Competition**, an opportunity for St. Louis area filmmakers to produce two-minute videos that are either 100 percent true or 100 percent false. Finalists will screen and compete for cash and prizes on Nov. 12 in a program presented at the St. Louis International Film Festival, hosted by FOX 2 anchor John Pertzborn, and judged by visiting directors/filmmakers, including Terry Zwigoff ("Ghost World," "Bad Santa"). The Entry deadline is Oct. 30 For more information, contact Anne Davis, Gimme Truth Producer, KDHX Community Media, anne@kdhx.org.

Producers concluded a six-day scout last week, ranging from Branson to Warrensburg to find locations for a horror-thriller they hope to begin shooting next April. Producer **Sean McEwen** has been in touch with the Missouri Film Office since spring of this year to discuss the possibility of bringing this project to Missouri. (Pictured: Rene Jung, Andrea Sporic, Sean McEwen, **Rep. David Pearce**, Gary Curtis, Barry Curtis, and Joe Anderson. All met up at Heroes Restaurant in Warrensburg last Wednesday for a lunch graciously sponsored by the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce.)



Two Missouri expatriates returned to their home state this week to scout for a feature they're co-writing and hope to have in production next fall. University of Missouri alum and Cape Girardeau native **David Tlapek** and **James White** from Fenton spent much of the week scouting St. Louis locations for their 1930s period piece. James would also star in the project while David directs. (Pictured, David, left, and James visit the famous Columns on the Mizzou campus in Columbia. The pair capped their scout in Missouri with a visit to David's alma mater for homecoming weekend.)



LOCATION SPOTLIGHT

On the south bank of the Missouri, about 12 miles east of Jefferson City sits the very small town of Bonnots Mill. Tucked into the steep river bluffs, it conveys the time-stands-still ambience that many productions seek. This view features Johnny Mac's Bar and Grill in the left foreground, where you can sit and enjoy an expansive view of the Missouri River. The town is easily accessible with close proximity to Highway 50, and crew lodging is available just a few minutes away in Jefferson City.



Do you have production news or photos from set to share?
E-mail us at mofilm@missouri.edu

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **October 25-30**
Cineposium, Pasadena, CA
www.afci.org
- **November 9-19**
St. Louis International Film Festival
www.cinemastlouis.org/

SCOUTING REPORT

We are currently in search of the following locations for projects. Email your photos to mofilm@missouri.edu

In the western half of the state, feature film producers are looking for a fast moving stream or river for a spring shoot.

WEEKLY WEB REPORT

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