

JULY 2005



SCHOOL'S INCENTIVE PACKAGE PEAKS INTEREST FROM INDIE FILMMAKERS...

The **G-Star School of the Arts for Motion Pictures & Broadcasting** had a whopping seven film productions sign with them in the month of June according to **G-Star Founder/Principal Greg Hauptner**. The 17,000 square foot studio provided by G-Star at no charge has been transformed to accommodate a variety of elaborate sets and film crews. "Ever since the *Boynton Beach Bereavement Club* utilized G-Star, word has spread throughout the community. From the kids' perspective, they are truly excited about the unique opportunity to work with so many filmmakers at such a young age," said Hauptner. Some of the most recent films to take advantage of the free production space in return for helping to educate the students on film production include **Arm and a Leg Productions** which filmed their dark comedy, *Confessions of a Paralyzed Robot*, in three weeks at G-Star. Co-directors/writers **Alex Haney** and **Chris Bonnell** hope to distribute this short film to film festivals around the U.S. *The Zwan Project*, conceived and designed by **Brad Greer**, spent two weeks filming at the school. "G-Star has been unbelievable and extremely accommodating," said Greer. He hopes to distribute the art fusion video of talented South Florida musicians to various gallery shows. Filming begins in July for the **Romantic Troubadour Film, Insidious**, a psychological thriller about isolation, love and redemption between father and son. Philadelphia based **Kat Scratch Films** found G-Star while looking for a place to shoot an upcoming film. Inspired by the school, she wrote a made-for-TV-movie titled *Franklin Charter* based on the students. Along with **SaintSinner Entertainment**, the TV movie will be produced in July and August. For more info on these films call 561.386.6275.



Alex Haney directing Lead Actor Richard Ribuffo



TRISKELION ENTERTAINMENT L.A. FILMMAKER LIGHTS UP DELRAY BEACH...*A Cigar at the Beach*, a **Triskelion Entertainment** film, made the journey from California just to shoot on a Palm Beach County beach. *Cigar* tells the story of a middle-aged man, clutched in the grips of a nostalgic fantasy while smoking a cigar on a desolate beach. "Being able to film here makes the story come to life, as the story takes place in Delray Beach," says **Writer/Director Stephen Keep Mills**. The private beach behind **Wright by the Sea** in Delray Beach served as the background for the shoot. The hotel also accommodated the entire cast and crew. *A Cigar at the Beach* is scheduled for completion in October 2005, and will go on the film festival circuit thereafter. For more info visit www.triskelionent.com.



Film shoot on the beach



Wright by the Sea



PBC DOUBLES AS JURASSIC PARK! To bring ancient environments and a variety of animatronics to life, producers of the TV show *Prehistoric Park* searched high and wide before they found the perfect locations in Palm Beach County. The fictional high-adrenaline docu-soap, produced by UK based **Impossible Pictures**, features time-travelling zoologist **Nigel Marven** who risks life and limb to capture animals for the ultimate modern day safari park. Various areas around the **Loxahatchee River** were used to recreate the Carboniferous Era of 300 million years ago. **Producer/Director Matthew Thompson** said, "We came to PBC not only because we found the ideal location, but also because we were able to source all sorts of unusual items here." Impossible Pictures also shot segments of the *Walking with Monsters* series in the same area this past March. *Prehistoric Park* will hit the small screen in the fall of 2006 and three, two hour episodes will air on **Animal Planet**. For more info visit www.impossiblepictures.co.uk.



Effects Supervisor Colin Campbell with an animatronic "newt"



FASHION CREATES A SENSATION IN PBC... Fashion collections from an array of prominent designers dazzled the runways during **Palm Beach Fashion Week 2005** to benefit several charities. The week proved to be so successful that planning has already begun for next year's event in March 2006. Venues will include **The Mar-a-Lago Club of Palm Beach** where Donald Trump kicked off this year's festivities, and the **Boca West Country Club**. Event organizer **Olympia Devine** said, "I have always believed that the County is a fashion destination, and Fashion Week 2005 placed the spotlight squarely on this unique area." **PBC Tourist Development Council Exec. Director, Charles Lehmann** said, "The event was not only an outstanding first time effort in furthering the fashion industry in the County, but also a glamorous enhancement of PBC's image as an international destination." For more info visit www.pbfashionweek.com.



Emilio Pucci Fashion Show

Focus on Film

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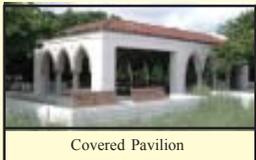
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Location Spotlight

South Inlet Park

South Inlet Park in Boca Raton is home to 11 acres of pristine beaches along the Atlantic Ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway. This scenic county-owned park on the Boca Raton inlet features a unique pier/jetty, a volleyball area, a covered picnic pavilion, a nature area and playgrounds. South



Covered Pavilion

Inlet Park has been showcased in several television and still photography projects, including the television show *Today's Health*, produced by Five Star Productions, and *Mark, Fore, & Strike*, which

used the beach for their **Early Summer 2005 catalog**. Suzanne Woodie, Creative Director for the catalog said, "It's great because you can get two different looks with the pavilion and the beach." This location can serve as a beautiful, serene backdrop for a variety of still photography or filming projects. For more info about shooting at this location please contact the FTC at 561.233.1000.



Pier/Jetty



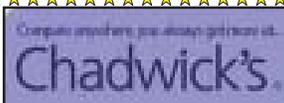
Mark, Fore & Strike Shoot

UNIQUE PBC ARCHITECTURE STYLIZES CATALOG...Savvy women across America shop in the comfort of their own homes for career and casual



Shoot at CityPlace

fashions from the **Chadwick's of Boston Catalog**. Striking a pose in the photographs are many of the County's most popular locations. These hot spots include **CityPlace** in West Palm Beach, **The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens** and **Lake Ida Park** in Delray Beach, and **Red Reef Park** and **Mizner Park** in Boca Raton. **Locations Extrordinaire** got in on the action as well when their needs called for various private homes in Boca Raton. For more information or to order a catalog visit www.chadwicks.com.



Dr. Frank Field

FAMOUS DOCTOR FOCUSES NEW SHOW ON SENIORS **The Health Field**, a program devoted to health topics of particular interest to senior citizens, will premiere on **WXEL, South Florida's PBS Affiliate**. The program is hosted by **Dr. Frank Field**, a TV veteran with 23 Emmy Awards as well as several American Medical Association Awards for science and health reporting. The series has been accepted for national distribution to all PBS stations. The show airs locally **July 11-14 at 7:30pm**.



2005 STUDENT SHOWCASE OF FILMS WINNER RECEIVES



SPECIAL HONOR...Mi-hyun Lily Altork, a student at **Alexander W. Dreyfoos High School of the Arts**, was recently honored with a **Scholastic Art and Writing Award** at **Carnegie Hall** for her short film **Urban Linguistics**



101. The film done in collaboration with Edwin Clavijo, won a **Gold Key Award** at the regional level, in addition to a **Gold Award** at the national level. The film's Gold Award status brought the students and their film production teacher, **Ancil Deluz**, to the Big Apple for the awards ceremony and numerous special workshops for recipients and mentors. **Mr. Deluz** said, "As an educator it reaffirms when students work hard, they can be rewarded in ways that can be least expected." Altork won second place in the feature/short category at the high school level during the **2005 Student Showcase of Films**, and will be attending NYU's Tisch School of the Arts this fall.



Mi-hyun Altork and Edwin Clavijo

short takes



READ ALL ABOUT IT...The new **2005/2006 Palm Beach County Production Guide** is hot off the press! Fully updated and packed full of the latest production resources in the county, the new

Guide is available by calling the FTC at 561.233.1000. **TEN MILLION REASONS TO SHOOT IN FL**

The Governor's Office of Film and Entertainment has posted instructions on accessing policies, procedures and the application for the new **\$10 million Entertainment Industry Financial Incentive**



Program. The purpose of this program is to encourage the use of Florida as a site for filming, and for providing production services for filmed entertainment. To view qualifications, instructions and the application please visit www.filminflorida.com/ifi/incentives.asp.



Cameron Diaz

PBC TIES INTO NEW MOVIE

In Her Shoes, the much anticipated new feature film from **20th Century Fox**, is set to be released on **October 7, 2005**.

Filmed in several PBC locations, there is already Oscar buzz surrounding the stars of the film including **Cameron Diaz**, **Shirley MacLaine** and **Toni Collette**. For info visit www.foxmovies.com.

NEW SAG AGREEMENT AIDS LOW BUDGET PROJECTS...

Effective July 1, 2005, the **SAG Low Budget Agreements** will be modified to make it easier to work with professional actors. Highlights include increased budget caps and a new agreement specifically designed for Short Films. To learn more about the revisions visit www.sagindie.org.

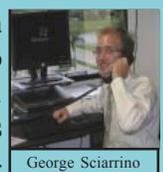


FTC WELCOMES SUMMER INTERNS...

The Film Commission welcomes **Jessica Loughery** and **George Sciarrino** to the internship program.



Jessica Loughery



George Sciarrino

Jessica's career interests include writing and pre-production. She is enthusiastic about learning how to coordinate film projects. George's interests include TV and film production. He hopes to gain on-location experience and improve his networking skills. Welcome Jessica and George!



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