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### **Northeast Filmmakers Lab Introduces Slate for 7th Edition**

Albany, NY — The Northeast Filmmakers Lab announces its slate of eleven lab fellows including 7 feature screenplays, 2 shorts, and 2 documentaries. The 3 day virtual event will be held November 13-15th and includes opportunities for filmmaker and industry participants to hone skills, network and advance projects. Three Film Talks from “How To Pitch” with Jacob Krueger to “Finance and Filming During Covid” with Vinca Jarrett of FilmPro Finance and “Marketing, Promotion and Distribution” with Mat Levy of Passion River Films is part of its strategic model.

Hosted by the non-profit Capital Cinema Cultural Exchange, Inc. (CCCE) the lab’s mission is to support emerging filmmakers to complete and present their projects in a rapidly changing media landscape by leveraging world-class industry expertise through the Northeast Filmmakers Lab (NEFL). CCCE partnership with international institutions not only sustains regional filmmakers, yet includes moviemakers from around the globe, broadening its mission to support emerging filmmakers and dynamic cross-cultural exchange.

Presenting stories range from an Indigenous community in South America, to a personal exploration of one’s favorite American band. NEFL 7 is among the most diverse slate of projects to date, bringing storytellers together for a unique and unprecedented experience of cultural and professional exchange.

Based in Upstate NY, NEFL 7 has expanded its borders in 2020. The 3-day lab intensive will be held completely online for the first time. This year launches an international partnership with Cabiria Film Fest based in Brazil with two Brazilian female filmmakers selected among the eleven lab fellows.

NEFL7 concludes with a PITCH CONTEST open to filmmakers outside the lab. Prizes include \$10,000 in production services including a DGA script breakdown from Crew Me Up, legal consultation from FilmPro Finance and 4-week screenwriter’s course with Jacob Krueger.

As a case study, the lab will screen The Way Forward, an award-winning experimental feature film directed by upstate NY’s Roman Jaquez that has garnered international attention.

For more see: [NEFL7 Lab Fellows](#); [Industry Mentors](#); [Film Talks 1-2-3](#); [3 Day Schedule](#). The film lab is founded by filmmaker, Mike Camoin, and co-produced by Eric Vollweiler.

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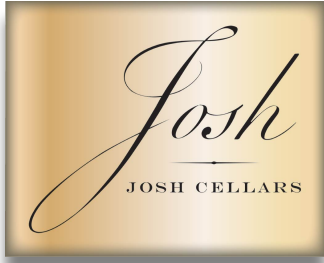
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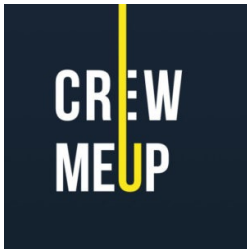
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<b>69 Bayard</b>	Cindy Chu	Romantic Comedy/ Drama	Screenplay	Andy, a Chinese waiter longs to open his own restaurant, as he wanders into a late-night spot, 69 Bayard in Chinatown and unexpectedly meets Mei Ching, the love of his life.	Queens, NY
<b>Abductive Reasoning</b>	Justin Maine	Sci-Fi Thriller	Screenplay	Seeking to clear her name, a disgraced journalist follows clues from a leaked video to uncover the truth about recent alien activity on earth.	Albany, NY
<b>Ancestral Neighbours</b>	Manuela Andrade & Bia Pankararu	Children's Animated Doc Series	Pre-Production	ANCESTRAL NEIGHBORS is an indigenous children's series that explores the history, cosmology and traditions of Pernambuco, Brazilian children using a mix of documentary and animation directed by Manuela Andrade and co-directed by Bia Pankararu.	Pernambuco, Brazil
<b>August Sweeney: The Monster Barber of Harlem</b>	Jomo Merritt	Thriller	Screenplay	Young, rebellious, Corey Johnson is sent to stay with his grandparents, where his grandfather, Skip, reads him a fairy tale story--about a Sweeney Todd type character in Harlem.	Albany, Georgia
<b>Influencers</b>	Robert Gregson	Drama	Screenplay	When a conspiracy theorist takes down a notorious white-collar criminal and sex abuser, he becomes enamored with the man's daughter, a young progressive media mogul, and the two embark on a dark and twisted journey to uncover the conspiracy at the heart of American capitalism.	Brooklyn, NY
<b>Joan</b>	Madeline Leshner	Drama	Screenplay	Deep in the San Fernando Valley, a musically gifted teenage girl, struggling with her abusive father and haunted by her mysteriously absent mother, escapes by playing piano for an underground brothel fronting as a music academy.	Brooklyn, NY
<b>Jordan Heads</b>	Tamara Daley	Documentary	Post-Production	JORDAN HEADS tells the story of how the Air Jordan sneaker created a subculture where every purchase of a shoe not only provides new levels of social capital, yet also deeper connections to a global network rooted in a shared infatuation.	Brooklyn, NY
<b>Journey</b>	Erika Hamilton	(Music) Comedy	Short	JOURNEY is a nostalgic and heartfelt comedy that follows Maya as she navigates the often ridiculous boundaries of racial identity.	Santa Monica, CA
<b>Magic Window</b>	Nina Gielen	(True Crime) Drama	Screenplay	An isolated 12-year-old boy from a troubled home falls in love with his father's friend, an adult man, setting all on a path to tragedy.	NYC
<b>Post No Bills</b>	Francis Maxwell	Drama	Short	During a city-wide blackout, a deaf artist moonlighting as a cleaner for her affluent neighbors takes refuge in the penthouse, joined by a handyman, forced to shelve his passion to be a rapper. As they wait out the darkness in the luxury apartment, both slowly soften to each other's ideals, uncovering some harsh realities.	Los Angeles, CA
<b>Rain</b>	Elena Parravicini	Drama	Short	Rain is a silent discussion between a young woman and herself. Owning her position at her family's circle, she expresses her feelings and sets herself free.	Sau Paulo, Brazil