ZOOM IN ON A 30–35% TAX CREDIT

Looking for dynamic locations and production sites—and an attractive financial incentive? Bring your next film project to New Jersey, the birthplace of movie making. Take advantage of the New Jersey Film & Digital Media Tax Credit Program, which offers eligible production companies a 30–35% transferable tax credit on qualified film production expenses. An additional 2% bonus can be earned by developing and executing an approved diversity and inclusion plan. This program encourages film productions to employ the services of women and minority persons in “above-the-line” and “below-the-line” positions. Digital media projects can qualify for a 20–25% tax credit under separate eligibility requirements. What’s more, the team at the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission is here to support you through every stage of production.

WHAT WE DO

In the film and television industry, time is money. The team at the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission understands how important the words “on budget, on schedule” are for you. We’re here to help get you and your crew in production as quickly and smoothly as possible. As your one-stop, hands-on resource for everything you need to film in New Jersey, the Commission:

• Provides critical information on permits, regulations and insurance requirements
• Helps with the scouting and securing of locations and production services, and maintains comprehensive photo and informational databases to further this effort
• Offers guidance on child labor laws, tax laws, theatrical firearms and pyrotechnical laws, and environmental regulations
• Assists in the procurement of available financial incentives
• Liaises between production companies and all agencies of government and the private sector in order to assure that your experience working in New Jersey is pleasant, productive and cost-efficient

WHY NJ?

• Compact geography with widely varied landscapes
• Outstanding cooperation
• Deep talent pool of skilled artists and craftspeople
• Expanding production infrastructure
• Close proximity to New York City and Philadelphia
• Extensive road and transportation network

FILMING IN NEW JERSEY: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

New Jersey is home to 21 counties and 565 municipalities, each having its own unique regulations pertaining to film production. The team at the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission is well-versed in local regulations and can be an invaluable resource in helping navigate them. Our free consulting services will save you time and money.

DID YOU KNOW?

Movie making was born in New Jersey. In the late 19th century, William Kennedy Laurie Dickson, a worker at Thomas Edison’s West Orange laboratory, invented the equipment that would launch this multibillion-dollar industry.

WELCOME TO NEW JERSEY!

The Motion Picture and Television Commission offers an internship program that is open to all New Jersey residents currently matriculating in college and graduate schools. The internship affords students the opportunity to work with Commission staff members, learn about the pre-production and production phases of filmmaking, and visit the sets of film projects being shot in the State. Visit www.film.nj.gov for more information.

START SCOUTING NOW!

Our new, online digital location library will improve and simplify your location scouting experience. Utilizing Reel-Scout™ technology, we provide a content-rich and fully searchable gallery depicting thousands of New Jersey’s diverse sites.