

New Mexico Film Studios to break ground in Albuquerque next week

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A new independent film studio backlot and more will be coming to Albuquerque. This best-in-class film and television production center will promote a sustainable economic impact for the community with local jobs while being a top destination for filmmakers.

Mar. 22, 2022 / PRZen / ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — New Mexico Film Studios (NMFS) will be holding a groundbreaking event for the first of many projects in Albuquerque, New Mexico on Tuesday, March 29th, 2022, on 13 acres in Southeast Albuquerque. This is the first independent studio to build a backlot in the state of New Mexico.

This venture is backed by several New Mexican film and television executives and will be the first of many projects that will be coming to the state to meet the needs of the growing film industry.

According to MovieMaker Magazine, Albuquerque is at the top of the list for the past three years as being the best place to work and live as a moviemaker. The quality of life, cost of living, abundance of venues from small towns to a metropolitan setting to the desert to forests and Western towns, direct flights under 2 hours from Los Angeles and the tax incentives offered makes this project a welcome one for the state.

The governor of New Mexico, Michelle Lujan Grisham has also allocated \$40m in funding this month for the development of the Next Generation Media Academy (NGMA) in Albuquerque to offer training to New Mexicans in the film and TV industry.

“In order to grow and support independent film and television production, we wanted to offer options like a backlot, sound stages and studio services to independent filmmakers,” said Stephanie Piché, Spokesperson for New Mexico Film Studios, “Additionally, more studio options lead to more productions coming to the state and more jobs.”

With over 500 scripted television shows being produced annually, in addition to over 600 movies created in the US, “streaming giants like Netflix and Amazon Studios increasingly take out long-term leases on existing and planned sound stages to produce their originals” according to The Hollywood Reporter, making this investment by New Mexico Film Studios a sound one as part of their overall strategy.

With this historic groundbreaking event and investment in the community, New Mexico Film Studios executives believe that the demand for independent studio soundstages, backlots and productions facilities will have a positive impact for independent filmmakers and will bring in more production projects and jobs.

New Mexico Film Studios backlot will be located within 15 minutes of Albuquerque Sunport. For more information on this project, please visit www.nmfilmstudios.com or email newmexicofilmstudios@gmail.com for further assistance.