

WIFV People in the News - Summer 2023

Tara Garwood, Triode Media Group, Phil Shapiro, Genise White, SRB Communications, Interface Media Group, Cintia Cabib, Brigid Maher, Shoshana Rosenbaum, Robin Noonan-Price, Julie Gold, Kimberly Skyrme, Alison Bauer, Sandra Brennan, Anne Saul, Christina Perez, Carletta S. Hurt, Ivan Ruiz Serrano, Puritano Media Group

Garwood's THE STRANGLE OF IVY Grasps Awards



In its first six weeks on the festival circuit, **Tara Garwood**'s short film, **THE STRANGLE OF IVY**, has been made an Official selection of seven festivals and received ten awards, including three for Mystery Short, two for Production Design, and one for Best Female Director.

THE STRANGLE OF IVY is a modern-day Gothic horror that explores the strained relationship between a mother and her adult daughter and what happens when a dark secret is revealed that will change their lives forever.

The film, financed in part by a Maryland State Arts Council Grant, premiered in Washington, DC at **AwesomeCon** on June 18, 2023. Join the **Tarakata Films newsletter** to find out about future screenings!

Triode Media Group Gear & Studios

WIFV welcomes Triode Media Group Ltd. as a new corporate supporter. Triode is a film industry rental house and studio centrally located in Pennsylvania, just two hours from DC and three hours from NYC. They support film productions across Pennsylvania, NYC, and the DC metropolitan area with cinema



cameras, lenses, lights, grip gear, portable power and trucks, sound stages, a large camera robot arm, and access to crew. Their motto is "Expand your toolkit, create your vision". Triode offers 20% discounts to WIFV members.

Triode Studios includes two fully sound-treated stages. The cinema stage is 3,000 sq. ft. featuring a 100 ft. cyclorama, grid, and rigging points at 20 ft., and is fully drivable to accommodate large vehicles on stage. The broadcast stage has 50 ft. of green cyclorama, a grid, and a control room featuring switchers, and virtual sets. All stages include access to

support rooms, a kitchen, and high-speed fiber. The Colossus, the largest robotic camera arm from Motorized Precision, is available for rent in the studio or on-location and comes with a team of operators. Colossus gives you the ability to achieve complex camera movements that would otherwise be complicated or impossible to create.

Triode will be happy to help you assemble a purpose-built kit for your next production Call them to find the gear you need for your next project. 717-413-2533 or email Evan Scudner at evan@triode.tv

Shapiro Interviews White

Genise White has multiple talents -- actor, poet, radio host, audio technician. Learn what got her started and her adventures with the DC 48 Hour Film Project, her long running radio show -- World Reggae Party (on Fairfax Public Access), her volunteering with WPFW, her visits to WERA-LP 96.7 FM (Arlington Independent Media's radio station), and the DC Annual Reggae Music Award she won in 2014. **Subscribe to Ms. White's YouTube channel here**. This interview is one of many conducted by **Phil Shapiro** to document this region's creatives. **Subscribe to Mr. Shapiro's YouTube channel here**.



SRB Communications Turns 33!

For more than three decades, SRB has been committed to providing high-quality service to our clients. With our strategic messaging, branding solutions and media planning, we continue to drive positive change in multicultural communities. *The Washington Informer* shared the story of resilience and commitment, highlighting our CEO, **Dr. Sheila Brooks**, as she steers her black and woman-owned business to new heights, even amidst changing industry trends and economic challenges. **Read more here**. An interview with Micha Green, the Managing Editor of the Washington Informer on WIN-TV LIVE delved into the remarkable journey of **SRB Communications** as the longest-standing multicultural marketing agency in the Mid-Atlantic region. They discussed the importance of resilience, the entrepreneurial spirit and the incredible power of perseverance.

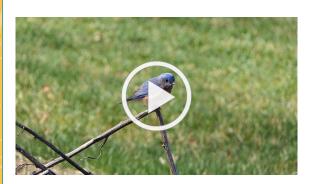


Interface and 988 Lifeline One Year Anniversary

Interface Media Group is partnering with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration on their 988 initiative and recently celebrated the first anniversary of that collaboration.



Highlighted is the Atlanta Roadshow. The roadshow is a roundtable discussion about the successes the 988 lifeline has made to aid mental health. IMG is honored to have worked the live stream, as well as provided the crew, and produced, "Faces of the 988 Lifeline," a series highlighting the individuals behind the phones. Learn more here



Cabib Launches Website

Cintia Cabib recently launched the website for her documentary BIRD WALK. You can learn about how Red Gate Park has become a birder's paradise here. The trailer (to the left) will get you hooked! The film will premiere in 2024.

EXPERIMENTAL CURATOR Screens at NGA - August 20

Post-screening discussion with Brigid Maher, in person

Sally Dixon, founding curator of film at the Carnegie Museum of Art in Pittsburgh, was a champion of experimental film and video throughout her career. Her support of avant-garde filmmakers and media artists



helped to develop and sustain a robust exhibition circuit of noncommercial cinema by artists outside of the mainstream film industry. Produced with her remaining family, this loving documentary about her career and influence includes reflections by filmmakers Jonas Mekas, Ken Jacobs, Carolee Schneeman, Jim Hubbard, and others close to Dixon. Programmed in partnership with Women in Film and Video. (Brigid Maher, 2022, 57 mins) Part of the *Summer of 16mm: Celebrating 100 Years of Film* series.

Sunday, **August 20, 2:00 pm Register Here**East Building Auditorium, National Gallery of Art



THE OTHER YOU Production Update

"We're having a blast on the set of THE OTHER YOU with all these WIFV folks. And of course Shoshana and I met via WIFV, an encounter that sparked this project!" *Julie Gold*

WIFV Members involved with project include Director: Shoshana Rosenbaum; Producer and AD: Robin Noonan-Price; Writer and Co-Producer: Julie Gold; Casting Director and Co-Producer: Kimberly Skyrme; Art Director: Alison Bauer; Script Supervisor: Sandra Brennan; Director of Photography: Anne Saul; Grip: Christina Perez Pictured Above: Beth Hylton (actor), Shoshana Rosenbaum, Kimberly Skyrme, Julie Gold, Robin Noonan-Price

Hurt Finishing Films & Making History

FORGETTING CHRISTMAS featuring Victoria Rowell and starring Melan Perez is going to Martha's Vineyard. The feature film shot entirely in Maryland is an official selection for the 2023 Martha's Vineyard Film Festival. Forgetting Christmas is produced by WIFV member and past WIFV board president, **Carletta S. Hurt**.



While working on films, Ms. Hurt also completed her Doctor of Philosophy in Urban Leadership and Entrepreneurship with a concentration in Urban Education Leadership from The University of the District of Columbia on May 13, 2023. She is one of the first five students to earn a PhD from UDC's inaugural doctoral program in the history of the institution. The group has been coined the "Fabulous Five".

Serrano Wins Best Composer!

Based in Washington D.C, Ivan Ruiz Serrano recently won Best Composer in the Karlovy Vary Indie Film and Art Festival, and received Honorable Mention for Best Original Soundtrack in the Fox International Film Festival and in the New York International Film Awards for his compositions for TANATOCHRESIS, directed by Quike Frances. Learn more here.

His work has received numerous national and international awards, winnig the Alex North Award 2016 for the best original soundtrack in feauture film at the Tenerife International Film Music Festival (FIMUCITÉ) with the movie "The Exile" ("El Destierro"). Also, he won the Jerry Goldsmith Award in the Movie Score Málaga (MOSMA) 2016 for best soundtrack in commercial advertisementwith the History Channel commercial "Thomas Edison: Nancy 's Son". In February 2017 he won the Accolade Global Film Competition for best original song in long-length film for "The Enchanted" ("Los Encantados"). He is member of the Academy of Arts and Cinematographic Sciences of Spain and The Latin Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences. He has been nominated ten times to the Hollywood Music in Media Awards and four times to the Jerry Goldsmith Awards.





Puritano Media's Busy Spring

PMG was happily tasked with helping create the Society for Marketing Professional Services (SMPS) 50th Anniversary Video! This video included shoots from coast to coast! Our team created fantastic graphics, captured cinematic video, and incorprated videos from across the years, to help create a video that properly showcases the rich history of a organization like SMPS. PMG once again worked with Lifetime's "Inside the Blueprint" TV show making videos for many companies, one of

which was the DC's Adlumin. The shoot took place at the company's HQ in the historic Uline Arena near Union Station. They also teamed up with the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and

created an educational eModule on Gynecological Cancers. See examples of their work at the company website here.

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News Deadline

The deadline to submit your information for the monthly Members in the News e-publication is the 10th of the month. Send your article (100 words or so) and a jpg-format photograph or link to your video project to director@wifv.org.









About WIFV

Women in Film & Video (WIFV) provides educational and networking opportunities for screen-based media makers, celebrates women's creative and technical achievements in media, and advocates for parity both in front of and behind the camera to ensure that all voices can be heard.