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**IAIA Hosts Summer Television and Film Workshop Screening in  
Collaboration with Disney | ABC Television Group**



*2009 workshop participants and instructors*

Santa Fe, NM – The public is invited to attend a screening for the Institute of American Indian Arts Summer Television and Film Workshop on July 24, 2009 beginning at 6 p.m. The workshop is a collaboration with the Disney | ABC Television Group and the screening is a culmination of six weeks of hard work by twelve Native American

students from across the country. Disney | ABC executives and workshop students will be in attendance. The screening will take place at the Library and Technology Center at IAIA's College of Contemporary Native Arts, 83 Avan Nu Po Road, Santa Fe, NM. The event is free of charge and everyone is welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

Now in its sixth year, the Institute of American Indian Arts and Disney | ABC Summer Television and Film Workshop is a unique program offered to American Indians who are interested in the film industry. Its goal is to target students who are passionate about writing and/or producing television and film and who are considering careers in Hollywood and beyond. Television executives assist with the design and implementation of projects, and academic credit is offered at the end of the course. Many students from past programs have gone on to work in the film industry.

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This year, students in the writing track have worked directly with those focusing on producing and directing. Six films will be screened, including *Love's Story*, written by Tvli Jacob and directed by Mark Ennis; *Doc O'Mine*, written by Anna Nelson and directed by Aurora Coronell; *The Confession*, written by Melissa Olson and directed by Talia London; *Kokopelli*, written by Siera Ornelas and directed by Melissa McKerchie, *First Impressions*, written by David Gatlin and directed by Nicole Garcia; and *Torn Emotions*, written by Joshua Zunie and directed by Jeff Barehand.

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To empower creativity and leadership in Native arts and cultures through higher education, lifelong learning and outreach