



Art + Film = Interrobang?!

The [Interrobang Film Festival](#) celebrates the art of film and is presented in concert with the [Des Moines Arts Festival](#) June 24-26. All three days of screening **begin at 11 a.m. at the Des Moines Public Library**. It's a great place to chill out from the outdoor festivities in downtown Des Moines and watch some curated short films, music videos, documentaries, features and more.

Saturday will feature two panel discussions, with **Iowa Filmmakers Panel** beginning at 1 p.m., moderated by **EJ Philby Burton** from Produce Iowa. Panelists include **Hannah Wright, Lucius Pham, Rebecca Haroldson, and Scott Siepker**. They'll chat about the current state of filmmaking in Iowa, Greenlight Grant projects, "The Film Lounge," and how to get more involved with local film crews. At 2 p.m., the **Des Moines Area Community College Student Showcase and Panel** will be moderated by Miguel Tarango, lead instructor with the DMACC Video Production Program. Bring your questions and join the conversation with both of these panels. It's also a great way to network with other local filmmakers.



Iowa Culture Leadership Cohort

Iowa small- to mid-size arts, culture, history and humanities nonprofit organizations are invited to participate in the pilot **Iowa Culture Leadership Cohort**. We're especially talking to you, Iowa film festivals! This two-year program will help participants build leadership skills in organization operations, sustainability and programming through professional development workshops, peer learning, mentorship and guidance from outside consultants. Check it out! The **deadline to apply is June 17**.

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In the House

The **Des Moines Latino Film Festival** kicked off its **five-day celebration of Latino culture** through arts, music, food, movies and other performances for all ages last night at the **Des Moines Art Center**. And on tap tonight and tomorrow, at the **State Historical Building of Iowa**, you can join a reception both nights at 4:30 p.m. followed by feature films from around the Latin world curated through a partnership with the **Chicago Latino Film Festival**. The festival moves to the **Tallgrass Theater** on Friday and features local filmmaker **Charlie Gandez**, and travels to **Riverview Park** on Saturday. All events are free.



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Greenlit Hollywood Premiere

We are excited to announce that one of our Greenlight Grant projects will have its **world premiere** Saturday, June 11, at the TCL Chinese Theater as part of the 25th annual **Dances With Films** festival! Yes, THE famous old **Grauman's Chinese Theatre** complete with the celebrity handprint tiles. **Congratulations to Justin Norman of Des Moines**. No word yet on if he will be asked for his handprints. :)





Registration is now open for the 2022 **Iowa Arts Summit**, which includes virtual sessions Aug. 10-11 and an in-person event Aug. 12 at **Mainframe Studios in Des Moines**. The biennial Iowa Arts Summit brings together creatives, nonprofit professionals and community leaders for **networking, learning and celebrating the arts in Iowa**. Attendees will also have the opportunity to exchange ideas and gain practical knowledge through in-depth workshops.

Artwork above: "Among Friends" and "I Love Music" by Chaveevah Ferguson of Waterloo

REGISTER FOR THE IOWA ARTS SUMMIT



Congratulations to **Averi Coffee** – pictured on the right – who won the title as the "**Fastest P.A. to Change the Battery in a Walkie Talkie**" during one of the contests at the P.A. Bootcamp last Sunday. It was billed as a boot camp and it did not disappoint. Thirty Iowans were challenged over the two-day training to be a production assistant and it was both exhausting and educational. Our thanks to **NBCUniversal** for this unique opportunity as we gear up for full production on "**Field of Dreams**" later this summer.

Upcoming Events & Deadlines

June 7-11: [Des Moines Latino Film Festival](#)

June 17: [Deadline to apply for Iowa Culture Leadership Cohort](#)

June 24-26: [Interrobang Film Festival at Des Moines Arts Festival](#)
July 21-24: [Snake Alley Festival of Films](#)
Aug. 8-11: [Des Moines 48 Hour Film Project, Premiere Screenings](#)
Aug. 10-12: [Iowa Arts Summit](#)
Aug. 19-21: [Alternating Currents](#)
Aug. 25: [Des Moines 48 Hour Film Project "Best Of" Screening & Awards](#)

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