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Good Monday Morning TNRD Board Members,

A brief update on what has been happening for Film Industry in the region over the last few months:

- **“[Untamed](#)”** is now available to watch on Netflix! The mini-series was partially filmed in the region, as well as in many other locations in BC, and follows a National Park Service Agent as he investigates a death in Yosemite National Park.
- **“[In Cold Water](#)”** – a true crime docuseries about a murder trial that played out in Kamloops courtrooms recently won 5 Leo Awards (BC Filmmaking Awards). Watch it on Amazon Prime.
- TNFC is a proud to sponsor the **“[2nd Kamloops Queer Film Festival](#)”** - two weekends of powerful, inclusive storytelling — August 8–9 and 15–16.
- **5 Kamloops Residents to Receive Telus Storyhive Funding** – the 2025 TELUS STORYHIVE Voices program supported creators across BC and Alberta with \$10,000 in funding including 5 Kamloops creators! Congrats to Ashleen Erdis (Curious? Let's Find Out!), Corey Rajala (Dungeons, Dice and the Desert of the North - A journey through the RPG Community), Esseoghene Akinshola (Soul Flavors), Kim Coltman (Echoes of the Lost: A Journey to Justice), and Brody Thomas (Papa Bouvette's Camping Calamity) which was renewed for season 2!
- Our Film Industry Networking Events (F.I.N.E.) is continuing into its second season at a new location and time. Starting September 21st we'll be gathering at the Paramount Theatre from 4-6 pm.
- Women In the Director's Chair (WIDC) announced that Kamloops filmmaker, Cjay Boisclair, is the recipient of the [2025 WIDC Advantage Award](#), for her debut feature film **MARY**, based on her concept short, *The Bench*. The award supports the development and packaging of her emotionally charged and deeply personal script about a teenage girl navigating homelessness, trauma, and hard-won hope.
- Kamloops filmmaker, Liam Hall, premiered his first documentary, **“[Hut Keepers](#)”** at the New Zealand Mountain Film Festival.
- **“[Wide Angle](#)”** an ongoing exhibit looking at the history of film in Kamloops, runs until September 27th at the Kamloops Museum.
- **“[Not Your Butter Chicken](#)” is now on CBC Gem** - locally filmed series now streaming on CBC Gem. Hosted by food and wine expert Shiva Reddy, the series explores the untold stories of South Asians in Western Canada through the lens of food, culture, and community. Episode 1 shines a light on Kamloops, uncovering the deep historical roots and lasting legacy of the Sikh Punjabi community in the region.
- **Local Voices on the Mic: STORYHIVE Video Podcasts** - local creators from our region were given the opportunity to share stories rooted in their own communities.
- **“[Ignite Entrepreneurs](#)”**: Daniel Akinshola is joined by a variety of successful local entrepreneurs who tell stories about their journeys and give advice on how to be successful in Kamloops.

- **“[Strong as a Mother](#)”**: Join Miranda Chrisp from Kamloops as she discusses being a mom and offers advice and support to other mothers.
- **“[The Loops Scoop](#)”**: Focuses on issues and dives into creative problem-solving for complex problems affecting Kamloops and other small communities.
- **“[Small Town Big Screen](#)”**: Join Kyle and Manny as they take a behind-the-scenes look at productions filmed in and around Kamloops. They are currently looking for people who were involved with or were impacted by the following productions:
 - Cadence
 - 2012
 - Firewall
 - The Snow Walker
 - The Wicker Man
 - Shooter
 - Red Snow

Reach out to smalltownbigscreen.pod@gmail.com to be considered as a guest speaker for the second season of the Small Town Big Screen podcast! The podcast will be filming in Fall 2025.

Feel free to reach out if you have follow up inquiries. Thank you for your ongoing support of Film Industry growth in the Thompson-Nicola.



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