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FILM PRODUCTIONS IN THE CAPITAL REGION BRING MAJOR ECONOMIC BOOST THIS YEAR

HBO's "Gilded Age" and "White House Plumbers" called the Capital Region home while filming, bringing in publicity and revenue for the area

ALBANY, N.Y. (Oct. 26, 2021) – Earlier this year, the Capital Region was used for the set of major television film productions such as HBO's Gilded Age and White House Plumbers as well as four independent film productions. The estimated revenue from the productions over the last three months is significant for the local economy.

"This has been a banner year so far for film production here in the Capital Region," said Albany County Film Commissioner, Deb Goedeke. "With over 9,000 sleeping room nights utilized, as well as other services, the film industry has provided a much-needed source of revenue for our hotels and other community partners. In addition, our robust NYS Film Tax Credits are critical to continued business here in upstate New York."

The Association of Film Commissioners International estimates that a film or television production can bring in anywhere from \$125,000 to \$165,000 per day. Additionally, over 57,000 jobs are also supported each year due to the NYS Film Tax Credits, providing ongoing support for the state's economy.

"Albany County and the Capital Region have so much to offer and production companies are recognizing that," said Albany County Executive Daniel P. McCoy. "This year, HBO filmed here multiple times along with Showtime and several Independent Film Productions. Each day they are filming translates to over \$125,000 for hotel rooms, food, permit and location fees, shopping and so much more. That is great news for our businesses. Albany County is ready for its next close up."

Some key locations that have been used include The State Room and Jack's Oyster House, both located in Albany.



"Having these actors/projects in our city has been amazing," said Joshua White, General Manager of Jack's Oyster House. "Everyone has been an absolute pleasure to work with and we look forward to future production possibilities at Jack's."

"It was a pleasure and an honor to work with the cast and crew from The White House Plumbers," Tom Nicchi, Proprietor of The State Room added. "They were very accommodating, professional and extremely generous."

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