# Vancouver Island north film commission

2018 / 2019 State of the Region Comox Valley Regional District

## 2018 Production information

- 99 Lead requests 31 projects filmed
- Feature Films 3 ( 'Sonic Hedgehog', 'Come to Daddy', 'Thunderbird')
- TV movies 3 (Descendants's 3, Timmy Failure, New Years Kiss)
- TV series 6 / Mini-Series 1 (<u>'See'</u>, 'Chesapeake Shores Season 3', <u>'Unspeakable'</u>)
- Commercials 4 'Toyota USA Commercial'
- Documentaries 4 Docu Drama 1
- Reality TV-2/Shorts-3/Stills-2/Music videos-2'<u>My Lottery Dreamhouse</u>'
- Doubled the economic impact of any other region in BC inside of the low er mainland

## Infrastructure

- Vancouver Island Film Studios opened March 2018
- 3 privately owned studio/backlot facilities in development phase, <u>2 in CVRD region</u>
- Discovery Industrial Park used as stages for Apple's original series "SEE"

## Professional development/training

- Pilot Rural Film Training partnership with North Island College
- Completed 2 sets of 4 cohorts, graduated 142 in Grip, Set Construction, Lighting and PA
- Delivered 2 Motion Picture Industry Orientation workshops
- Comox Valley Youth Media Program
- Example Chesapeake Shores S1 25% local crew S2 40%, S3 60%, S4 60% (4 depts. we trained 95% local crew)
- Started Phase 5 LMI review
- Sponsored 1st Mid/North Island Women In Film & TV inaugural meeting





# 2019 Professional development/training

- LMI Phase 5 Review and Recommendations continues
- Women In Film & Television 'Tricksters & Writers' Indigenous Women's Script Writing (part 1 January, part 2 March, part 3 September) funders CrBc and the Province of BC
- Women In Film & Television Producers Conference Feb 9th ( sponsored 6 delegates)
- Women in Film and Television mid Island meetings March 30th
- Diversity and Inclusion Partnership (employers roundtable June)
- Power of Inclusion Conference October 2 / 3 / 4th Auckland NZ
- Canadian Film Commissions meeting May 31 Van/ Sept 9 TIFF

#### WIFTV Gatherings



Trickers & Writers Workshop



#### Creative Industries Week







#### Leadership on Location Forum LMGI Event 2019



## 2018 Marketing / promotion

- September LA Netflix, Crown Media (Hallmark) to introduce the Vancouver Island Film Studio
- September AFCI Cineposium LA
- October RFCABC studio visits (Disney, Warner Bros, Amazon, Netflix, Henson Studios
- October Screen Tourism studio visits, Paramount (Sonic), Disney (Descendants 3), Apple (SEE)
- November BC Regional Trade Show Vancouver

## 2019 marketing & promotion

- April Familiarization Tour 22 producers, production mangers and location managers toured the mid Island visiting key location assets and the Vancouver Island Film Studio funded by CrBC and the Province of BC
- Screen Tourism Social Advertising Campaign Chesapeake Shores / Tourism Vancouver Island / Tourism Nanaimo / Tourism Parksville Qualicum Beach - ran for 6 week
- Three 2019 screen tourism campaigns in progress partnered with Tourism Vancouver and the Vancouver Film Commission. Tourism Vancouver Island supporting all 3 campaigns
- Disney's Descendant's 3 host the film screening with a a pre-reception
  #DescendantsOnTheWestCoast / launch an AR Adventure and west coat sweepstakes.
  Hope to have director / some cast on hand and inviting guests from Children's Hospital
- Sonic The Hedgehog AR Adventure Search for the Golden Rings in 5 key US Cities winners will win trip to Vancouver / Vancouver Island. Studio supplying marketing material and swag for the social media campaigns
- 'See' Apple / Endeavor continuing discussions on details screen tourism campaign

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## 12 MUST VISIT CHESAPEAKE SHORES FILMING SPOTS

Parksville, BC

#### Industry Familiarization Tour April 2109







## Unspeakable Leo award winning best drama & best casting