



2016 Testimonials

Student Filmmaking Masterclass

"I enjoyed all of the stories told and the advice on building a great short film"

"As someone who wants a career in the film industry, the production advice was really interesting. It was great to hear what goes on behind the scenes, as I hadn't heard about it before".

"The information shared was great and it gave a lot of detail of what I really need for my short film".

"I liked having actual writers and producers here to talk to us".

"I now want to make some of my own films".

"I liked the calm and friendly atmosphere. It was great fun to learn here with everyone".

"I loved listening to the speakers....they were very helpful".

"A great experience and very informative".

"More than anything, I enjoyed the opportunity to listen to the experiences of professionals in this area".

"I found this excursion very informative as I have learnt many filming and production techniques".

"I really enjoyed every aspect of the excursion. I learnt a lot that I can take into the future".

"I enjoyed the whole day with myself and others having their own input".

"Learning new things, getting ideas and meeting new people ... it was all great".

"Very good, thank you!"

"Very informative and entertaining".

"Very helpful knowing how to create short films".

Thank you so much for hosting such a fantastic learning opportunity for our students! They all had such a great day. The presenters were so engaging and it was so interesting hearing their perspectives on life working in the film industry. It really was an invaluable excursion. *Kate Bovell, Media Teacher, Bunbury Catholic College*

Short Film Competition & Grand Finale

This has been a fantastic opportunity for all of us involved in the project. Really appreciate the support we have had from CinefestOz. *Annie Snedden, Media Teacher, Busselton Senior High School*

I think you need a medal! We still talk about the opportunity you gave Kieran - his camera has arrived back from repair today and he has written a new script; so watch this space. Thank you so much! *Toni Dearle, Parent*

You're a very busy woman who has done amazing things for the Busselton community and prospective film industry. Thank you again for organising Cinésnaps- I'll have to make sure I leave myself enough time to produce a film and enter it in 2017. *Scott Mills, Student.*

Incurison & Excursions

Thanks so much for the incurison today, it was FANTASTIC! We ended up with a total of 36 students. *Kate Bovell, Bunbury Catholic College*

WOW! Eddie Baroo - what an amazing person. Awesome presence, the kids loved his wife too. Thanks a ton. The students are still buzzing. *Kelby Murray, Bunbury Cathedral Grammar*



Della Rae was awesome. Looking forward to Myles Pollard this morning. *Jaspar Jones* lunch was terrific.
Susan Main, Acting Head of Department (English), Dalyellup College

Just wanted to extend our thanks to Cinefest for allowing us the opportunity to have Emma come out to the school. Emma chatted quite openly and honestly with our students and gave them a heap of great pointers about the industry. She is obviously very passionate about her craft and the students were inspired by what she shared with them. She took the time to answer all of our questions (mine included!!) and the 90 minutes just flew by. It was a great experience for all of the students!!
Gerard Robertson, Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School

What a wonderful CinefestOZ! Congratulations on an excellent and very well received event. I thought I would let you know that Monday was fantastic! The kids really responded to Eddie and we all had a great time, he was so easy going and was a great storyteller so was able to keep everyone interested as well as learning from him. I look forward to hearing what the kids took from it at tonight's rehearsal. Thank you so much for this opportunity!
Charise D'Ath, BRC Theatrix, Bunbury

Thanks again for today, we had a really good day, the kids really enjoyed both the movie and the morning session. Hopefully we can set a similar excursion next year.
Stephanie Braid, Yr 7 Co-ordinator, GMAS

The student responses to my film was extremely positive. I thought they might be bored, but they clapped and cheered at the end of the film. Very heartening to have such a warm response, and good questions following the screening.
Belinda Mason, Writer/Director

Film Guests

Thank you so much for a fabulous CinefestOz and Cinesnaps experience. I loved it...especially wonderful to get to spend time with talented, enthusiastic students! I was lucky to spend a couple of days with my partner in the Margaret River region – bushwalking and checking out the wineries. Exquisite landscapes (and wines). Fell in love with the Karri forest. All the best and hope our paths cross in the future.
Belinda Mason, Writer/Director

The Grand Finale was a fun night and really well organised. Congrats.
Myles Pollard - Cinesnaps Patron and Jury Panel Chair /Actor /Director

The workshop went very well - I could talk all day long about design for film! (the AV worked well too!). I made it to the *Jaspar Jones* lunch and met some fantastic people - thank you very much, I had a fabulous day. Warm Regards.
Freda Meckelberg, Costume & Stage Designer

Had a truly wonderful and productive time during the CinefestOz Festival. I was able to finish the fourth Episode of my film script in Margaret River! Jacqui and I feel blessed meeting so many gorgeous and beautiful people. Your late night emails highlight that your efforts were Herculean. Your warmth and welcome was appreciated and certainly we will be keeping in touch. You and your tribe were so wonderful and generous. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.
Eddie & Jacqui Baroo, Actor / Scriptwriter

Internships

Thank you so much for such an enjoyable four days. You are such a hardworking, intelligent, vibrant and fun woman with so much to give. **You are a huge part of the reason Soph and I wanted to come back, you are such a joy to work for. If it wasn't for people like you, Soph and I wouldn't have had this** amazing opportunity come our way. You should be so proud of the Schools Program and all it has to offer because it will be such a catalyst in young filmmaker's brains, and what they needed to get their career going because it gives them belief that it is possible. I hope this week has been all that you hoped it would be, I know from the outside looking in it looked like a massive success. Thanks again, hope to see you next year!
Grace Armstrong, 2015 & 2016 Cinesnaps Intern

The Incursion with Eddie this afternoon went SO well!!! The kids loved him and had such a great time (so did we!). It was really valuable for everyone :) He is wonderful!!! **Thank you for having me drive him around etc. he's such a delight** and has so many great stories! Thank you so much for such a wonderful reference! I can't wait to be on the team again next year for more festival fun.
Sophia Armstrong, 2014 Cinesnaps Short Film Winner, 2015 & 2016 Cinesnaps Intern.

