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## Participants chosen for Directors Lab

Rodrigo Garcia, Catherine Hardwicke serving as mentors

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Film Independent has selected eight filmmakers for its 9th annual Directors Lab, which runs through the end of March. Rodrigo Garcia, Keith Gordon, Catherine Hardwicke and Alfredo De Villa are serving as mentors in the nine-week program designed to assist emerging directors.

The filmmakers receive a cash stipend for the projects and access to production resources provided by Moviola, NBC Universal and Mode HQ.

Under the tutelage of the mentors, the filmmakers learn to work with actors, collaborate with cinematographers and crew, refine scripts and shoot scenes from their projects. They then become Film Independent Fellows, receiving year-round support including access to Film Independent's annual educational offerings, on-staff filmmaker advisor, and the Los Angeles Film Festival.

The 2010 Directors Lab filmmakers and their projects are: "Dish," writer/director Brian Harris Krinsky; "El Flaco," writer/director/editor Jeff Seymann Gilbert; "Forbidden Steps," writer/director Iram Parveen Bilal; "Grievous Angel," Jessica Hundley; "Saigon/24," writer/director Huy Chau; "SarahN\_12," writer/director Sasie Sealy; "The Prettiest Girl," writer/director Sasha Isaac-Young; and "Things We've Made," writer/director Trevin Matcek.



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