

Cape May Music Video Camp

A Recap by Tom Sims, Executive Director, Cape May Film Society

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The Cape May Film Society has hosted its film camp for years now, but there is one thing it has never hosted: A Sequel! This past week, selections from the Cape May Music Video camp included a sequel to a short film featured during its first camp: TC Legit. We also screened two brand new music videos.

If you thought Cape May wasn't ready for Victorian gangsters, how about Victorian gang battles! In TC Legit 2: A New Gang in Town, we find that the gang has dwindled to just one member: Crayola. This leaves the lone gangster vulnerable to a new all-girl challenger: K2. What does K2 stand for? Krumpet Krew—as leading member Fructose says, “Because Krumpets were served in the afternoon, and they're way more legit than teacups!” And thanks to help from the new vintage photo store at escalator mall, there was even a flashback sequence! See video:

The first music video created starred Kristina Perez, a rising star from Westfield, New Jersey, who is currently on a national tour with a rock chorus. The song, “Poor Girl,” tells the story of a poor girl in a “rich kid's town.” The students from camp created a narrative which they weaved through footage of Kristina singing. See video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kggm9gpBvc4>

The second music video featured the song, “Devil Keep Chewin'” written by Cape May local Jay Bethel and performed by his band Bluebone. The story is about a guy trying to stay out of trouble, but “no matter what I do, the devil keep chewin' on me.” In the video, students tell the tale of a struggling main character who unwittingly gets in more trouble because of a red-clad tagalong.

See video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AWjw3y6lRZw>

Like any worthy music video, you can find these selections on the Cape May Film Society's YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/user/capemayfilm or if you want a copy on DVD, contact us (info below). Congratulations to our students: Alexandra Love, Valerie Iaconangelo, Michael Giansante, Russ Sperry, and Michael Hall. And thanks to our teachers Peter Grana and Scott Hinkle.

And thanks to a grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, the Film Society will be hosting a screening and lecture with the film “The Yes Men Fix the World.” The film follows two gonzo journalists as they pose as corporate representatives and help define corporate justice. It was a favorite from the 2009 Cape May Film Festival. The screenings will take place at a variety of libraries throughout Cape May and Atlantic Counties, and the screenings will be free of charge. The first screening will be Wednesday, August 4, at 5:30 p.m. at Cape May Court House Library. For a complete list of times, contact us at 609-884-6700 or email capemayfilm@hotmail.com (or visit our website www.capemayfilm.org).