



More Movies Shot In Central Ohio From Tax Credit

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A tax-incentive program has brought a taste of Hollywood to Ohio.

Since former Ohio Gov. Ted Strickland in 2009 approved a \$30 million film tax credit for 2010-11, several movies have been shot in the state, 10TV's Andrea Cambern reported.

The credit only applies for productions that promise to spend more than \$300,000.

"I think for Ohio, especially in the last couple of years, we're definitely seeing the upswing of growth," said Amir Elyon, the state's tourism director.

Some of the locations that have been used in Ohio include Oxford, when George Clooney, Ryan Gosling, Philip Seymour Goffman and Paul Giamatti were working on "Ides of March." The movie was shot on the Miami University campus.

"The Avengers" is set for a 2012 release and is being shot in Cleveland, featuring Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson and Samuel L. Jackson.

Recently, Bexley native Josh Radnor shot "Liberal Arts" on the Kenyon College campus, his alma mater.

"It's a great school," Radnor said. "It's a beautiful school. They've really opened the place up for us, and it's just been really nice."

Radnor, who stars on the CBS show "How I Met Your Mother," said he started working on the script about a year ago and knew central Ohio was the place for the movie to be made.

"You can film anything here in Ohio except for a desert and the Rocky Mountains," Elyon said.

Huntington Park was recently the backdrop for "Gibsonburg: The Movie," the story of a 2005 Ohio high school state championship team.

Talent and crew members from central Ohio were used. Director Bob Mahaffey said that he plans to enter the motion picture in national film festivals.

A new Web series, "Two Doors Down," is about to debut. The comedy is based in Columbus.

The series revolves around a divorced couple trying to raise their son while living in the same neighborhood. The series was shot with central Ohio areas in neighborhoods that included Clintonville and German Village.

The series will debut on Aug. 21.

Several filmmakers spent the weekend shooting and editing 4-7 minute films. The 48 Hour Film Festival is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday at the Grandview Theater, located at 1247 Grandview Ave.

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