



Uniting & Connecting
Storytellers at the
Sundance Film Festival

January 23-27, 2025





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Dear LFN Familia,

This year marks the 11th anniversary of Latino Filmmakers Network (LFN) at the Sundance Film Festival—a milestone that fills us with pride and gratitude. For over a decade, we’ve stood here representing our community, amplifying underrepresented voices, and supporting storytellers who dare to share their truth. Through our Main Street events and our Filmmakers House, we’ve proudly declared “¡Presente!”

Each year, we’ve brought stories to life, united creators, and fostered connections that strengthen our community. Our programs, including educational and inspirational panel conversations, have provided spaces to learn, grow, and build lasting networks.

There’s nothing more beautiful than a community coming together to create and celebrate art in its most authentic form. As we look back on these 11 years, we’re reminded of the power of unity and the transformative impact of shared stories.

As the founder of LFN, I have poured my heart into this mission—to see positivity and possibilities flourish as we define and uplift the American Latino voice. While life will always bring challenges, know that nonprofits like LFN are here to stand by you, championing your stories and your dreams.

May the good vibes continue to roll, and may we never stop bringing our voices to life. Together, we are stronger. Together, we thrive.

Let’s continue to celebrate and embody our hashtag: **#UnitedThroughStories**. It is more than just a phrase; it’s a commitment to solidarity, creativity, and the shared power of storytelling to inspire and unite us all.

Wishing you all the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maylen Calienes".

Maylen Calienes

Founder/President

Latino Filmmakers Network

Fellow Storyteller.





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2 PM Friday, January 24 | The United Airlines Lounge, Main Street
A SPECIAL INTRODUCTION BY LUIS GUZMAN

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2 PM Friday, January 24 | The United Airlines Lounge, Main Street
OUR ROAD TO THE SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL

Hear from some of this year's Latino filmmakers as they share their journeys to Sundance.

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3 PM Friday, January 24 | The United Airlines Lounge, Main Street
FROM DREAM TO SCREEN: THE INDIE FILMMAKER'S ROADMAP TO SUCCESS

Learn how independent filmmakers can turn their dreams into reality through funding, marketing, and distribution insights.

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THE HUB Saturday, January 25 & Sunday, January 26 |

The LFN Filmmakers House, Park City, UT

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Special Industry Guests are invited to have a one on one conversation with our selected filmmakers.

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OUR ROAD TO THE SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL

Highlighting some of the Filmmakers whose movies are playing at the 2025 Sundance Film Festival, their journey in getting their movies made that led them to this moment in time. Get inspired to never give up on telling your stories.



Gala Del Sol
Rains Over Babel
Writer, Director



Damian Rodriguez
Pee-wee as Himself
Editor



Sofia Camargo
We're Not Done Yet
Co-Writer, Co-Director



Joanna Fernandez
The Things We Keep
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FROM DREAM TO SCREEN: THE INDIE FILMMAKER'S ROADMAP TO SUCCESS

This panel explores the journey of independent filmmaking, from turning a dream into reality. Experts will discuss how to secure funding, market your film, production, distribution and including known actors. Whether you're just starting or looking to level up, this conversation will provide practical insights to help you bring your vision to life.



Adam Harris Engelhard

Head of Production
Buffalo 8



Erica Fishman

Producer
Didn't Die
Sundance Film Premiere



Daniel Bengel

Attorney
Partner in Fox Rothschild's
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Cristina Escobar

Entertainment Journalist &
Sundance Press Inclusion Initiative
Recipient



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Actor
Kiss of the Spider Woman
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Latino Filmmakers Network is a 501c3 non profit organization educating and bringing community together

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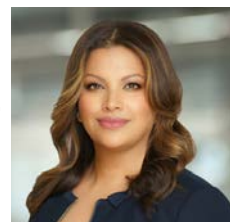
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Selected Filmmakers get invited to the house for one on one conversations with Industry professionals.



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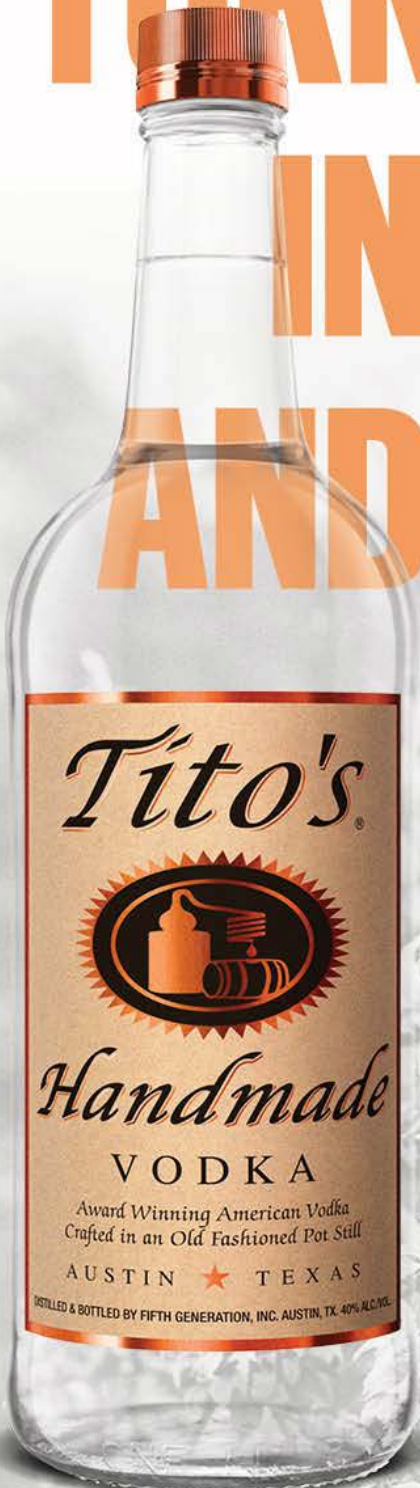
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Mark Brystowski

Producer &
Associate Director of the
Diversity Inclusion Film Festival
at
Lincoln Center NYC



Sebastián Rea

Staff Writer
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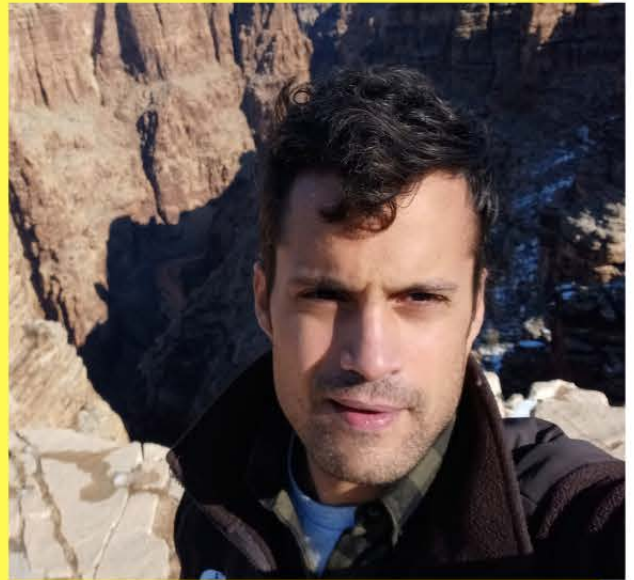
**LATINO FILMMAKERS NETWORK
11TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY
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AT THE SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL**

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*Meet the selected
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our Filmmakers
House during the
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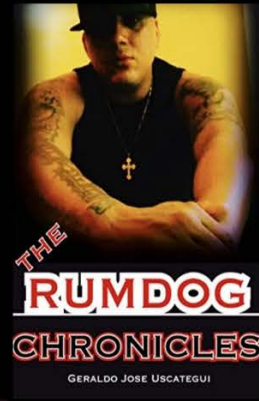
Sarah Avilés
Los Angeles
Mexican American



Geraldo J. Uscategui, a Writer and Producer originally from Brooklyn, New York, has been a long-time supporter of the Latino Filmmakers Network, and it's mission for inclusion and representation. Geraldo has strived to change the status-quo of Hollywood filmmaking by creating original content, while also showcasing the nuanced & truer experience of Latiné culture and communities. RumDog Productions would like to extend our sincere thanks and congratulations to The Latino Filmmakers Network on its contribution here at SunDance Film Festival, and for it's steadfast commitment.

Flux, now in post-production, is the first feature-film for RumDog Productions, partnered with Pop Films Productions. RumDog Productions has several projects in development. The action drama, The Deer Stand, now in pre-production and The Send-Off, a thought provoking tearjerker optioned by accomplished filmmaker, Emily Aguilar of MomentEM Productions, writer and director of the film *Brie's Bakeoff Challenge*, featured on MAX.

Geraldo J. Uscategui is the Executive Producer of RumDog Productions and the writer & director of the new feature-film *Flux*. He authored the novels, *The Rumdog Chronicles* (2016) and *A Work in Progress* (2018.)



The Send-Off

Genre: Drama

A terminally ill man meets the end of his life on his own terms.

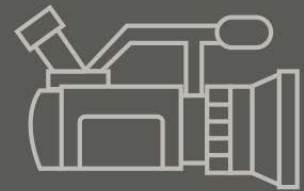
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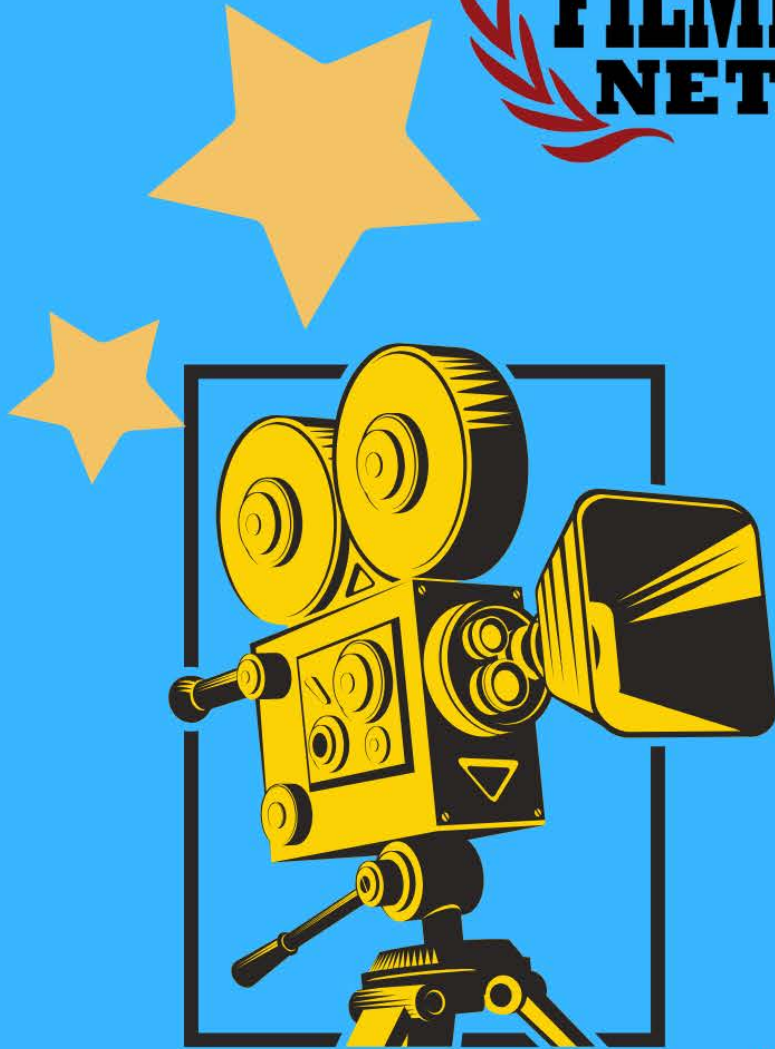
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Latino Filmmakers Network (**LFN**) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) founded by filmmaker and producer Maylen Calienes in **2015** at the Sundance Film Festival. LFN's mission is to **connect, inspire, educate, support,** and create opportunities for **Latinos & underrepresented storytellers** while promoting diversity & inclusion in the entertainment industry by **bridging the gap** within the community to unite & present a **powerful Latiné voice**. To address the stark **underrepresentation of Latino talent in Hollywood**—where Latinos comprise nearly **19% of the population** yet hold only **5.4% of lead roles**—and with Latinos projected to reach 25% of the U.S. population by the mid-2040s.

Sundance, one of the world's most prestigious film festivals, provides an ideal platform for underrepresented creators to secure **meaningful** industry **connections**, leading to future **collaborations** and **lasting partnerships**. By hosting **events, panels,** and **networking** opportunities at Sundance, LFN helps Latiné filmmakers showcase their projects, expand their reach, and shape a more **inclusive cinematic landscape**.

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Build Confidence & Get Your Project Made

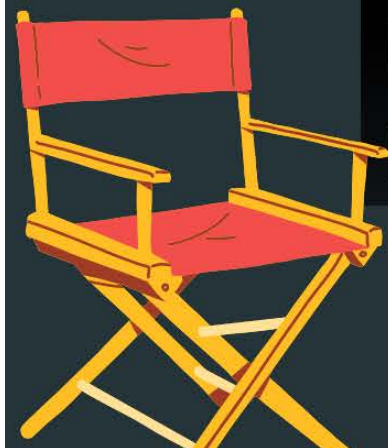
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In **2019**, LFN furthered its commitment by establishing the **Latino Filmmakers House** in Park City, offering select Latiné filmmakers the chance to attend Sundance. A stay at the LFN Filmmakers House includes **fireside chats**, **mixers**, **pitching** sessions, and **workshops** right in the heart of the festival. This immersive experience connects them with **industry executives**, fosters **collaboration**, and ensures they receive the full benefit of Sundance—all in a **supportive environment** that proclaims:

we are here, and we are community.

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