

Welcome To The Toronto Film and Television Office's March 2007 Issue of "Copy That!"

We would like to take this opportunity to dedicate this issue of Copy That in memory of our friend Walter Nixon.

ROADS ROADS ROADS!!!

- ⌘ We will be sending out notices as we receive them for upcoming road closures. Please be on the lookout for RoDARS (Road Disruption Activity Reporting System) emails!
- ⌘ You can find daily updates on the ongoing construction within our City, please take the time to visit the City of Toronto's website for current Traffic Restrictions, http://www.toronto.ca/transportation/road_info/index.htm, click on EVENT CALENDAR

HEAVY TRUCK BYLAW

Schedule XX (Heavy Trucks Prohibited) of BY LAW NO. 32-92 identifies various streets in the City of Toronto as a prohibited route to trucks 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM (M.T. 13 E:80-79).

Extract from former Metropolitan Toronto Uniform Traffic By-law No. 32-92, as amended states:

HEAVY TRAFFIC

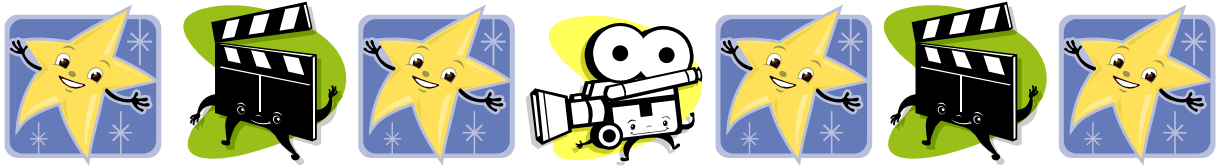
44. Except as provided in Section 45, when authorized signs to that effect are displayed, no person shall move, drive, park, or operate a heavy truck as defined in Section 1 on the highways set out in Column 1 of Schedule XX to this By-law between the limits set out in Column 2 of the said Schedule during the times or days set out in Column 3 of the said Schedule.

45. Section 44 shall not apply to any vehicle actually engaged in making a delivery to or a collection from premises which cannot be reached except by way of a highway or a portion of highway referred to in the said section or to prohibit the use of such vehicles for such purpose, provided that in making such delivery or collection, the said highway or portion of highway is travelled only insofar as is unavoidable in getting to and from such premises.

If ticketed, your driver should get a certified copy of the regulation to contest the charge in court.



FROM OUR OFFICE



TFTO Goes GREEN!

Jim Van Wyck, the Executive Producer of “The Incredible Hulk” met with Rhonda Silverstone and the staff of the TFTO to discuss locations for his upcoming feature film.

He showed staff the storyboards and everyone had the opportunity to suggest locations and ask questions.

Jim commented on his great experience in Toronto while working on “16 Blocks” and stated he looks forward to working here again.



PDOs Unavailable



Superintendent Grant, Unit Commander Operational Support Command, TPS has advised that Traffic Services Officers will **not be available** to perform Paid Duties on **Monday April 2nd** or **Tuesday April 3rd** due to the relocation of Traffic Services.

CONTACT CHANGES

EMS

Effective February 28th, Larry Roberts is no longer with the City of Toronto. The temporary contact is Peter Macintyre (pmacint@toronto.ca), Manager, Community Safeguard Services at 416-392-2069 during business hours.

On holidays, evenings and weekends, please call the Duty Officer at the One Desk Media Line at 416-392-2233.

ETF

Sgt Phil Gerrits has moved to a gun team for the next 5 months. In his absence, Sgt Roger Gibson will be the sergeant in the Bomb Office. Any ETF inquiries can be directed to him or any one else in the EDU (Explosive Disposal Unit). All numbers remain the same (Tel: 416-808-3800 / Fax: 416-808-3802).

I.T. SHOWCASE

On Thursday, March 1, 2007, staff from the TFTO and EDCT IT participated in the City of Toronto Information & Technology Division's first IT Showcase. The one-day expo gave City staff the chance to gain information and insight into the new version of the Film Operating Permit System (FOPS). Mayor Miller took the opportunity to stop by the TFTO booth to look at the new system and speak with City staff.



The TFTO will launch the Film Operating Permit System (FOPS) in mid April 2007. The focus on phase one of the upgrade to the system was improved service delivery. Future phases will focus on an enhanced financial system and other system features that will allow location managers to view data relevant to the project they are working on.

NEW On-line Location Filming Permit Web Application

Our new online location filming permit web application system is almost ready to go! Look for the new live version on **Wednesday, April 4, 2007** and don't forget to change your bookmarks!

Some of the highlights you will find in this new system are:

- ❖ User friendly
- ❖ Easier navigation/flow
- ❖ Ability to add multiple streets and locations (up to 4 locations on one application)
- ❖ Hovers and displays information on the application
- ❖ Form is dynamic based on production type
- ❖ Much easier date selectors
- ❖ Less chance for errors
- ❖ Once submitted, the user receives a detailed summary sheet of required forms and any pending issues

Need Help Submitting Your First Application Using the New On-Line System?
Would you like a Film Permit Web Application Training Seminar?

If any Location Managers would like a training seminar on this new web application, please contact Pamela Akasaka via email (pakasaka@toronto.ca) and we will arrange a date for training. Also, if you find yourself having questions or problems while submitting a live application on-line, please contact Sandro Magnone (416-392-0419) and he will help you navigate through the process.

National Film Board of Canada Mediatheque

Did you know that the NFB has currently over 3600 films in French and in English, with personal viewing stations? This collection is increasing daily as their titles become digitized.

They also have a passholder program, which offers annual passes for \$12 for individuals, \$10 for students or seniors and \$15 for families with the option of paying per day (unlimited viewing for one day) for \$2. In addition, they offer 15 minutes of FREE screenings any day or time of the week, within that 15 minutes you can watch award winning films like the recent Academy Award Winning *The Danish Poet*.

In addition to the personal screening experience, they offer a screening program in their cinema and an extensive educational workshop program for students and teachers. They also offer exciting hands-on filmmaking workshops for families EVERY weekend of the year.

If you are interested in any of the above please contact, Kristine Collins, Supervisor, Education Programs & CSM at k.collins@nfb.ca or 416.973.2380, www.nfb.ca/mediatheque

HOLIDAY REMINDER

Just a reminder that our office will be closed on Good Friday the April 6th and Easter Monday April the 9th. Please ensure that all permits required on or before Tuesday April 10th are picked up prior to 4:30pm on Thursday April 5th. On behalf of the City of Toronto, we wish you and your families a safe and happy long weekend.

