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Co-Media and Phoenix Center for the Arts announce Official Partnership with the Launch of Storytelling Co-hort Program

A new communal initiative to cultivate the next generation of film, TV, and media storytellers in Phoenix.

PHOENIX, AZ — Co-Media, an independent film and television media company based in Phoenix, is proud to officially announce its partnership with Phoenix Center for the Arts to launch the **Storytelling Co-hort**; a communal, hands-on program designed to educate, empower, and platform a new wave of emerging storytellers across film, television, and media production.

The Storytelling Co-hort is rooted in Co-Media and Phoenix Center for the Arts' shared desire to empower local artists. Co-Media's mission is to galvanize and platform storytellers by creating a sustainable pipeline that fuels a thriving storytelling ecosystem in Phoenix and beyond. Phoenix Center for the Arts is committed to providing arts and culture opportunities for all through education, programming, and advocacy. Together they believe this partnership will benefit both objectives through immersive education, real-world production experience, and public-facing creative programming. The initiative will provide participants with direct access to the tools, mentorship, and opportunities needed to develop original work and careers in media.

"This partnership represents a major step forward in building a true storytelling infrastructure in Phoenix," says Dabi Adeyemi of Co-Media. "By combining education, production, and community, the Storytelling Co-hort is designed to move participants from learning to creating to launching."

"Storytelling has always been at the heart of Phoenix. Across our city, artists are weaving narratives that honor our cultures, our histories, and the experiences that shape us. At Phoenix Center for the Arts, we're proud to stand alongside the many creators and organizations already nurturing this work. Our partnership with Co-Media builds on that shared momentum. Together, we're creating another space where emerging storytellers can grow, uplift one another, and add their voices to the vibrant creative landscape of our community," adds Angelique Kane, Executive Director for the Phoenix Center for the Arts.

The Storytelling Co-hort will consist of a 12-week intensive incubator where participants will develop and produce original projects as part of an ongoing Co-Media anthology series. Topic specific workshops covering a range of storytelling disciplines and skill levels. Internship opportunities and public facing event programming including screenings, showcases, festivals, a speaker series and creative gatherings.

Building a Storytelling Ecosystem in Phoenix

Through this partnership Phoenix Center for the Arts and Co-Media hope to create a centralized hub for storytelling education and collaboration in the city.

The Storytelling Co-hort reflects a shared commitment between both organizations to expand access to arts education, cultivate creative careers, and position Phoenix as a growing hub for film and television production.

The first event for the Storytelling Co-hort is March 27, 2026, at Phoenix Center for the Arts.

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