

## IN PRODUCTION

*Red Dawn* was filming in Michigan for a number of months. Directed by Dan Bradley and starring Chris Hemsworth and Jeffrey Dean Morgan, the story is about a group of teenagers trying to save their town from an invasion of Chinese soldiers. Production wrapped in mid-December.



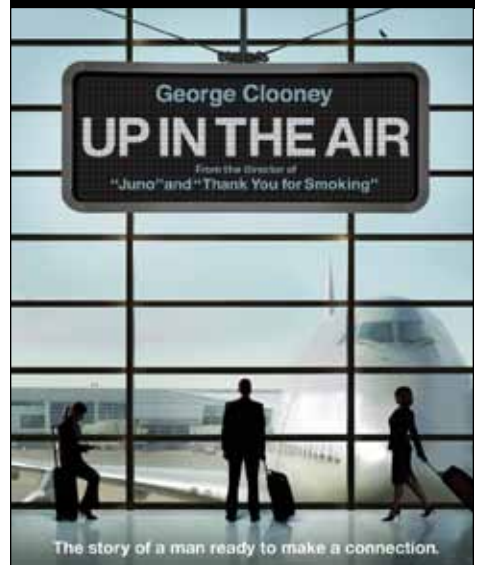
*Red Dawn*

This fall, *You Don't Know Jack* shot in Oakland County as well as a number of other locations. The film, directed by Barry Levinson, stars Al Pacino and Susan Sarandon.



*You Don't Know Jack*

## COMING SOON



*Up in the Air*, starring George Clooney and directed by Jason Reitman, will be released by Paramount Pictures on December 4 in limited release, with expanded release on December 18 and 25.



*Youth in Revolt*

*Youth in Revolt*, starring Michael Cera and directed by Miguel Arteta will be released in theaters January 8, 2010.

*Motor City Motors* will premiere on the Discovery Channel on Monday, December 28. The show follows renowned fabricators and custom motorcycle builders Dave and James Kaye, founders of Detroit Bros. Custom Cycles. Each week, with their father John, they tap into the Detroit-based talent and assemble a team of builders and specialists.

## SUCCESS STORIES

### D.P. Makeup Studio St. Clair Shores

Dan Phillips, a 15-year auto industry veteran who survived a previous layoff at Chrysler Corp., took a buyout from Mopar Auto Parts in May 2008, just after the film incentives passed. Having studied makeup for several years, he was able to land a gig on two projects last year, and opened his D.P. Studios in November. Dan teaches 10 students at a time and also serves as an instructor at the newly launched Center for Film Studies, located in Madison Heights. Phillips says, "I saw the writing on the wall when they offered the first set of buyouts, and

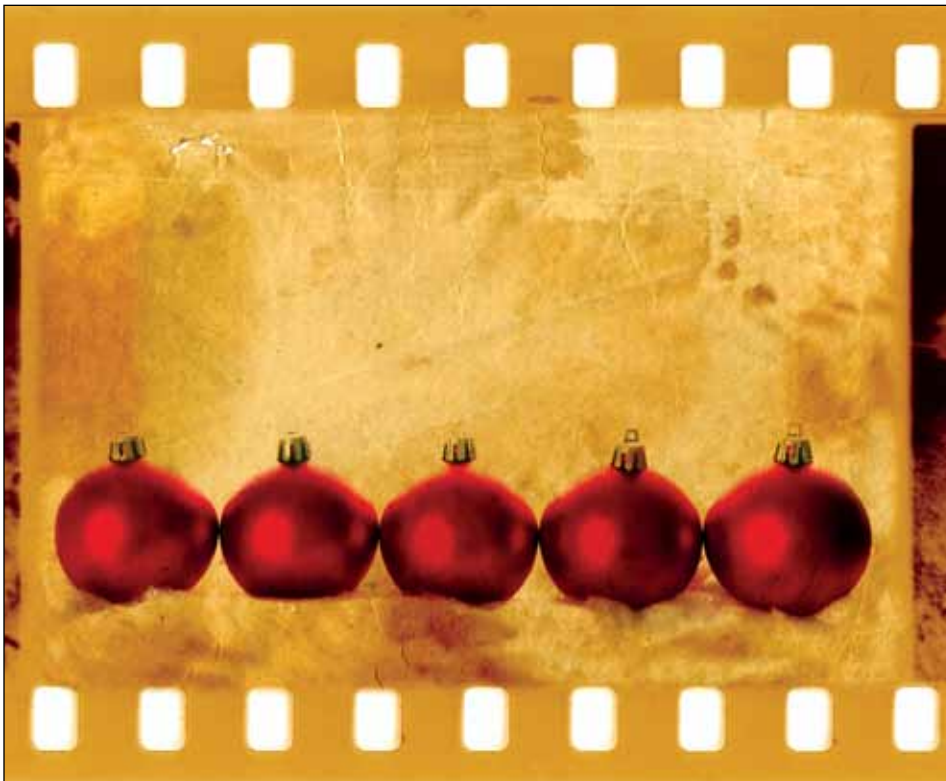
people thought we were nuts to take it. I knew I wanted to do this full-time and it all seems to be working out."

### Scenic Design Group, Fraser

Jonathan Krueger's props, set design and fabrication company almost moved to Las Vegas after a large downturn in local business. After a referral led to work on ABC-TV's *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition* in 2008, he was hired for ABC's upcoming obstacle course reality show *Crash Course*, which airs this summer. Krueger has been able to expand his staff from two full-time employees to six.

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE MFO!

Just a reminder — the Film Office will be closed for the holidays on December 24, 25 and 31, as well as January 1. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.



## WANTED: YOUR LOCATIONS

The MFO is currently in need of **bars, restaurants and police stations** to be used as filming locations. If you own or manage a property that you would like to have listed with our office, please visit [www.michiganfilmoffice.org/For-Producers/Locations/Default.aspx](http://www.michiganfilmoffice.org/For-Producers/Locations/Default.aspx). If you have any questions, please contact one of our location scouts, Mike Grabemeyer at 517.373.8680 or Tony Garcia at 517.373.0239.

## MFOAC NOTICES

The Michigan Film Office Advisory Council (MFOAC) met on Friday, November 20, in Grand Rapids at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Minutes from the meeting are now available online at [www.michiganfilmoffice.org/The-Film-Office/Advisory-Council/Default.aspx](http://www.michiganfilmoffice.org/The-Film-Office/Advisory-Council/Default.aspx).

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