



CONTACT: Jennifer Wakefield
407.422.7159
jennifer.wakefield@orlandoedc.com

Fun Film Facts About Metro Orlando

- What top Hollywood actor thanked the Orlando community during his Grammy acceptance speech? Tom Hanks for his work on the HBO series *From the Earth to the Moon*
- What comedy's climactic Bourbon Bowl scene was shot at Orlando's Citrus Bowl? *The Waterboy* (note: most of the extras used in the scene were UCF students)
- What famous golfer and Metro Orlando resident gave away several SUVs during a Metro Orlando commercial shoot? Tiger Woods during a series of Buick commercials
- How many national commercials are shot in the region every year? Approximately 60
- What Oscar-winning actress starred in a made-for-TV movie partially shot in Metro Orlando? Halle Berry in *Their Eyes Were Watching God*
- What Central Florida-produced movie went from independent film to national phenomenon – garnering Golden Globe and Oscar awards? *Monster* and its leading actress, Charlize Theron
- What home improvement show filmed their entire season in Central Florida with the winners getting a home free and clear? Trick Answer: Two shows have done this – TLC's *Trading Spaces* and A&E's *House of Dreams*
- What FOX reality TV show helped UCF students find love while shooting entirely in the region? *Big Man on Campus*

-CONTINUED-

- What Orlando resident has starred in Buick, Nike and American Express commercials – all shot in Metro Orlando? Tiger Woods
- Orlando has been ranked as one of the top ten markets for moviemakers by *Moviemaker* magazine.
- What movie starred the old Orlando City Hall being blown-up? *Lethal Weapon 3* (note: former City of Orlando Mayor Bill Frederick was the policeman who said "Bravo" to Mel Gibson and Danny Glover after the explosion of the building)
- Interesting Fact: The Florida Film Festival, hosted by the Enzian Theater, was recognized as one of the top 10 film festivals in the world in *The Ultimate Film Festival Survival Guide, 2nd Edition*.
- What Grammy-winning band spent more than \$5 million on a music video shot exclusively at Universal Orlando? Creed
- What nationally-recognized comedian and TV-host got his start at Orlando's SAK Comedy Lab and Universal Orlando? Wayne Brady
- What major Central Florida roadway was entirely shut down for a national Cadillac commercial? I-4
- What Ron Howard film starring Steve Martin, Rick Moranis and Keanu Reeves was shot almost exclusively in Metro Orlando? *Parenthood* (note: When Steve Martin and Mary Steenburgen's characters are riding in the van prior to the crash, they are driving on International Drive)
- What country music star shot many of her first music videos in Central Florida? Shania Twain
- Interesting Fact: A few of the popular Disney animated films that were created in Metro Orlando include *Beauty and the Beast*, *Mulan* and *Brother Bear*
- What cable sports station calls Metro Orlando home? The Golf Channel

-CONTINUED-

www.filmorlando.com

301 E. Pine Street, Suite 900, Orlando, Florida 32801 ~ PH: 407.422.7159 ~ FAX: 407.841.9069
 A DIVISION OF THE METRO ORLANDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
 SERVING ORANGE, SEMINOLE, LAKE AND OSCEOLA COUNTIES AND THE CITY OF ORLANDO

- What independent feature film starring Joe DiMaggio, Mickey Rooney and Julie Harris was shot in the region? *The First of May*
- What famous actor had his set burn down in Hollywood – forcing him to rebuild on the back lot of an Orlando theme park? Sylvester Stallone for his movie *Oscar*
- What Orlando produced movie featured Macaulay Culkin's first on-screen kiss? *My Girl*

www.filmorlando.com

301 E. Pine Street, Suite 900, Orlando, Florida 32801 ~ PH: 407.422.7159 ~ FAX: 407.841.9069
A DIVISION OF THE METRO ORLANDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
SERVING ORANGE, SEMINOLE, LAKE AND OSCEOLA COUNTIES AND THE CITY OF ORLANDO