

FILM LEXINGTON, KY



PICTURE IT IN LEXINGTON

FILM & ENTERTAINMENT OVERVIEW



Unique locations with versatility & character.
Urban & rural locales.
History of inclusion and promotion of originality.
Award-winning welcoming culture.
And a competitive 30-35% fully refundable tax credit.

**NO ONE SHOWS UP ON
SCREEN LIKE LEXINGTON CAN.**



BLUEGRASS HILLS
FORESTS
MOUNTAINS
RIVERS
MAIN STREET

DISTINCT SCENERY

PERIOD



Mary Todd Lincoln House

HORROR



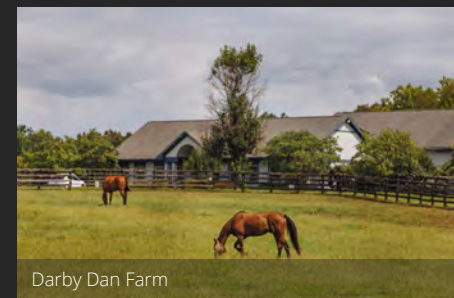
Castle & Key Distillery

DRAMA



Manchester Farm

FAMILY



Darby Dan Farm

COLLEGE



Transylvania University

HOLIDAY



The Kentucky Castle



Historic Houses in Gratz Park



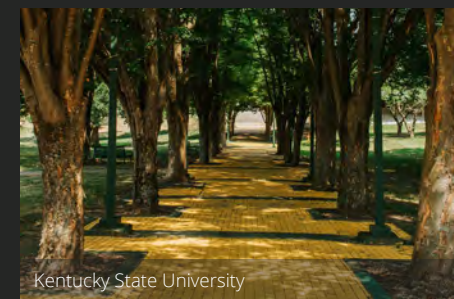
Natural Bridge



Pisgah Pike



Catalpa Road



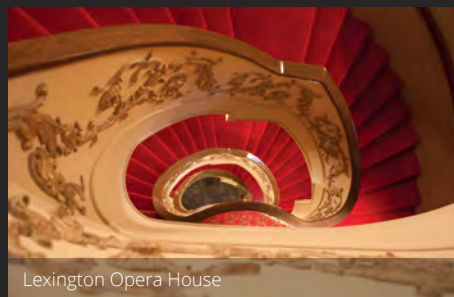
Kentucky State University



Kentucky Native Café



Shaker Village



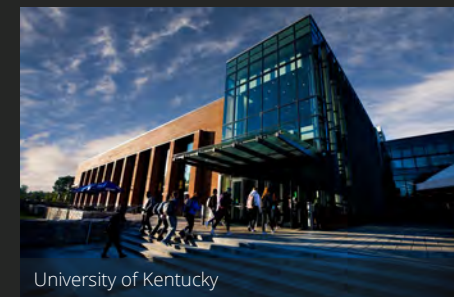
Lexington Opera House



Keeneland Race Track



Downtown Midway



University of Kentucky



Historic Downtown Lexington

Lexington is a bustling modern city surrounded by quaint small towns frozen in time. Rolling bluegrass hills, lush forests, mountains, rivers, or Main Street—wherever your scene, you can find a spot to shoot it in Lexington.



↑
DARBY DAN FARM
ON OLD FRANKFORT PIKE



LOST PALM
ROOFTOP BAR ↓





LANE'S END
FARM



←
WOODFORD
RESERVE
BOURBON
DISTILLERY



←
ASHLAND,
HENRY
CLAY
ESTATE

HISTORIC HOMES
HORSE FARMS
BOURBON RICKHOUSES

TIMELESS ARCHITECTURE

Lexington is a nod to “the now” and “the then”: a bright, effervescent side that makes it a refreshing place to live and work, and historic, timeless charm, weaving the past and present in a cultural tapestry.





CONVENIENTLY LOCATED

About an hour from Louisville and Cincinnati, Lexington's location at the intersection of I-64 and I-75 puts it within a day's drive of 2/3 of the US population, and Blue Grass Airport offers 17 direct flights to 16 major cities.

MANCHESTER FARM ON RICE
ROAD IN LEXINGTON



COMPETITIVE INCENTIVE

30-35% FULLY REFUNDABLE TAX CREDIT.

The Kentucky Entertainment Incentive (KEI) Program is an industry-leading initiative that ensures your budget goes toward realizing your vision, not location expenses. We want you to put your money back into your artistic endeavor.

There are 10 enhanced counties within an hour's drive of Lexington that will qualify for additional benefits: Harrison, Nicholas, Bath, Montgomery, Powell, Estill, Jackson, Rockcastle, Lincoln, Boyle Counties.

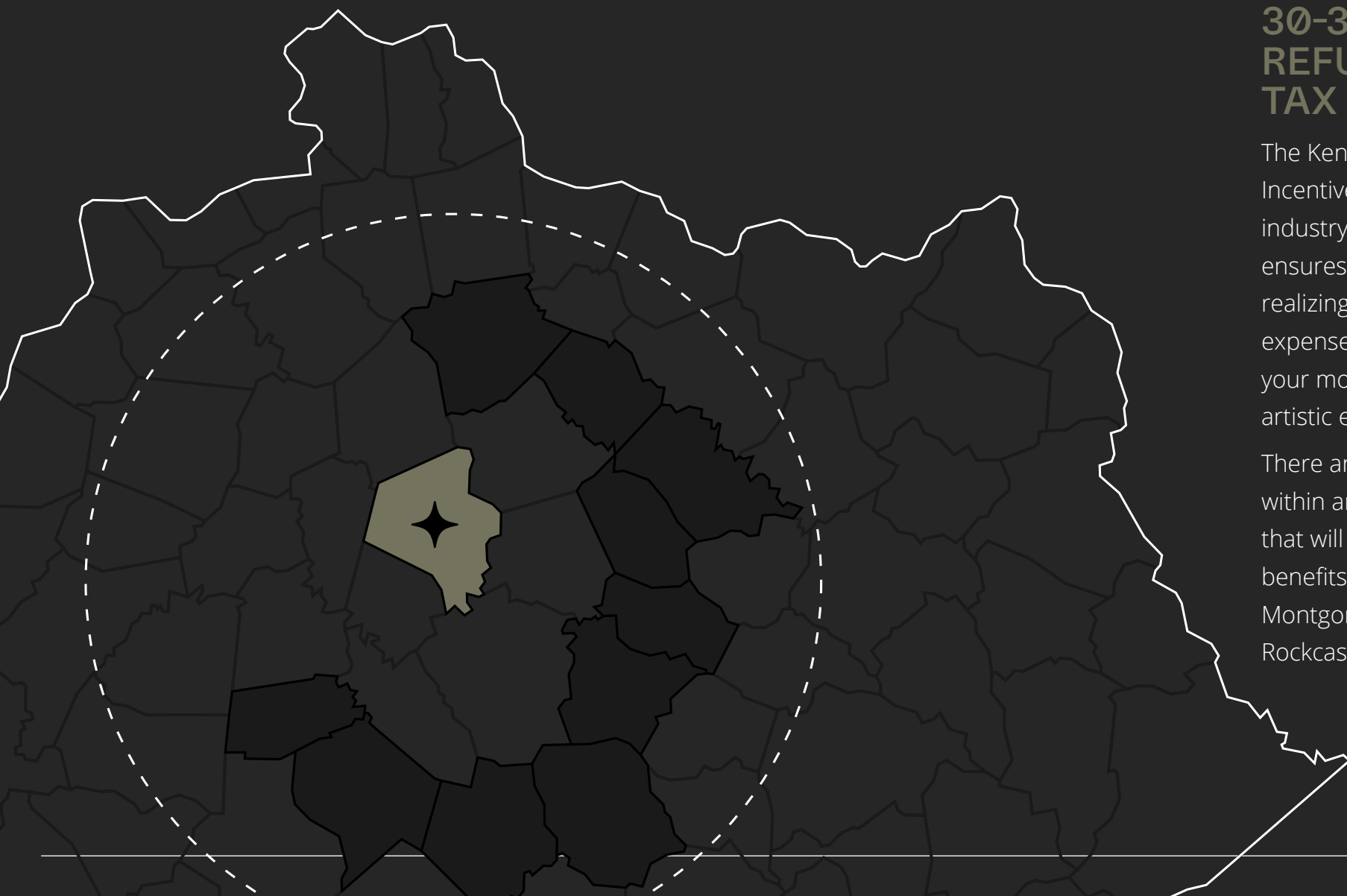
30%
PERCENTAGE INCENTIVE
FOR OUT-OF-STATE CREW

6TH
IN THE U.S.
FOR ANNUAL
FUNDING CAP

\$75M
ANNUAL
FUNDING CAP

5%
ADDITIONAL
INCENTIVE
FOR IN-STATE
KENTUCKY
RESIDENT CREW

\$250K
THRESHOLD FOR
FEATURES,
INDUSTRIAL FILMS
& TV PROGRAMS



→
ROOFTOP
BAR



CROSSWALK IN
DOWNTOWN LEXINGTON



→
FESTIVAL
LATINO

CONCIERGE-LEVEL
PRODUCTION PLANS
EXPERTISE
HOSPITALITY

BEST-IN-CLASS HOSPITALITY

Lexington flourishes with a welcoming spirit that thrives on inclusivity. Our dedicated team will collaborate to create a concierge-level production plan based on your needs. Explore resources and permit requirements in one central online hub. We are ready to help!



EXPANDING PRODUCTION INFRASTRUCTURE

With a budding local crew base and studio facilities, Lexington can support your project with extensive production and post-production suites and a growing variety of high-level professional cameras and equipment.

- + SCREENING ROOMS TO WATCH DAILIES OR TO HOST EXCLUSIVE SCREENINGS.
- + 9 ATHLETIC AND PERFORMANCE ARTS FACILITIES.
- + 15 UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.



QUALIFIED EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES MADE IN THE COMMONWEALTH FOR THE FOLLOWING. IF DIRECTLY USED IN OR FOR A MOTION PICTURE OR ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION:

- + The production script and synopsis
- + Set construction and operations, wardrobe, accessories and related services
- + Lease or rental of real property in Kentucky as a set location
- + Photography, sound synchronization, lighting and related services
- + Editing and related services
- + Rental of facilities and equipment
- + Vehicle leases
- + Food
- + Accommodations

MINIMUM QUALIFIED SPEND

TO QUALIFY FOR TAX INCENTIVES, THE APPROVED COMPANY SHALL INCUR THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM COMBINED TOTAL OF QUALIFYING EXPENDITURES AND QUALIFYING PAYROLL EXPENDITURES IN KENTUCKY BASED ON THE TYPE OF MOTION PICTURE OR ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION.

<u>TYPE OF MOTION PICTURE OR ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION</u>	<u>KENTUCKY-BASED COMPANY</u>	<u>OUT OF STATE COMPANY</u>
Feature-length Film, Television Program, or Industrial Film, filmed in whole or in part, in the Commonwealth	\$125,000	\$250,000
Documentary, filmed or produced in whole or in part, in the Commonwealth	\$10,000	\$20,000
A national touring production of a Broadway show, produced in whole or in part, in the Commonwealth	\$20,000	\$20,000

Production start date

Filming or production must begin within six (6) months of filing a final application with KEDFA.

Production completion date

Filming or production must be completed within two (2) years of the Production Start Date.

COMPLETING THE PROCESS & CLAIMING THE INCENTIVE

TO GET YOUR APPLICATION STARTED, PLEASE CONTACT TIM BATES:

Tim Bates

300 West Broadway
Frankfort, KY 40601
e. tbates@ky.gov
t. 502.564.7670

For more information, and a complete outline of guidelines, please visit ced.ky.gov

READY TO START YOUR APPLICATION?

VISITLEX WANTS YOU TO GET THE MOST OUT OF KENTUCKY'S COMPETITIVE ENTERTAINMENT INCENTIVES AND HELP MAKE YOUR NEXT PRODUCTION A SUCCESS. FOR MORE INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE, PLEASE REACH OUT TO:

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