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## Message from the Executive Director

### **Dear DOC Members and Friends,**

Please note: if you have left a voice message for me in the last couple of weeks, chances are I haven't received it. A technical problem with the phone has just come to light and I don't know how long it's been going on. If I haven't returned your call, I apologize. PLEASE call me again. The phone is now working properly.

Thank you,

Lisa Fitzgibbons  
Executive Director

## Message de la Directrice Générale

**Chers membres et ami.e.s de DOC,**

Veillez noter: si vous m'avez laissé un message au cours des dernières semaines les chances sont que je ne l'ai pas reçu. Je viens prendre connaissance d'un problème technique avec le téléphone et je ne sais pas depuis combien de temps cela dure. Si je n'ai pas retourné votre appel, je m'en excuse. SVP téléphonez-moi à nouveau. Le téléphone fonctionne maintenant comme il se doit.

Cordialement,

Lisa Fitzgibbons  
Directrice générale

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## DOC News

### DOC Toronto Workshop with Peter Broderick

Peter Broderick has a very interesting message: you CAN make money with documentaries - if you design the right distribution strategy and work really hard. He's coming to Toronto on Thursday, Dec. 17 for a six-hour workshop, which will also be available via live webcast. Broderick is a leading distribution strategist based in L.A., who has worked with many U.S and International filmmakers. If you would like to register click [here](#). For more information please visit their web site [here](#). You can read more about Peter Broderick [here](#). [Back to Top](#)

### DOC Quebec Christmas Party

DOC Quebec will be holding its Christmas Part on December 12th, at 9pm at the Portuguese Association, 4170 St. Urbain. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to [info@docquebec.ca](mailto:info@docquebec.ca). [Back to Top](#)

### DOC Ottawa-Gatineau Annual General Meeting

DOC Ottawa-Gatineau will be holding its AGM on December 10th, 2009 at 7pm. It will be located at 18 Bellwood Steet. There will also be Christmas Potluck Networking Party with a special screening of excerpts from "Capturing Reality: The Art of Documentary." Please RSVP to [Jacques Menard](#), and include your contribution to the potluck dinner (main course, salad, or dessert). [Back to Top](#)

### DOC Alberta and DOC Soup

DOC Alberta will now be a part of the popular DOC Soup series. Edmonton's Global Visions Film Festival is partnering with Hot Docs to showcase the latest in Canadian and international documentaries from December to May on the first Thursday of every month. The dates are as follows: Dec. 3, 2009, Jan. 7, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1, and May 6, 2010. [Back to Top](#)

### New DOC Members Discount

DOC is now pleased to offer its members a 5% discount with Motion Data Technologies Inc. Motion Data Technologies provides a full range of backup and archival services for protecting and storing footage, project files, and photographs. For more information, you can find their website [here](#). If you are interested in using their services, please contact Moses Stone. [Back to Top](#)

### DOC Website Changes

DOC has recently gone live with our new website. While it may look the same, changes have been made to the online registration section. We encourage all our members to take a look through our website and inform us of any errors you may spot. You can contact us [here](#). [Back to Top](#)

### Contributions to POV Magazine

POV is always looking for contributions for their upcoming issues. If you are interested in contributing to upcoming issues please contact [POV](#). [Back to Top](#)

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## Condolences

DOC extends its condolences in the news of the passing of filmmaker Gilles Carle. Carle had been recognized as one of Quebec's greatest filmmakers and had earned international acclaim. Carle was awarded the Governor General's Award in 1997 and the Order of Canada in 1999. Quebec honoured his contribution to cinema in 1990 with the Albert-Tessier Award for culture, and he was made a Grand Officer in the National Order of Quebec in 2007.

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## Industry News

### CBC and Telefilm Launch New Initiative for Canadian Feature Films

The CBC and Telefilm Canada have announced a new initiative aimed at bringing an integrated approach to the commissioning, marketing and distribution of Canadian English-language feature films. The approach will focus on developing and financing films that would have an initial theatrical release followed shortly thereafter by broadcast on CBC and distribution via other platforms. For more information, please click [here](#).

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### Employment Insurance Benefits Extended

The federal government has announced new legislation regarding E.I. Under the *Fairness to the Self-Employed Act*, benefits will now be extended to the self-employed. This measure responds to the Government's 2008 pledge to improve economic security and support for those who are currently self-employed. For more information, and contact information, please click [here](#).

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## Upcoming Events

### History Makers 2010

The History Makers Summit will be taking place at the Grand Hyatt New York from January 27 - 29th 2010. History Makers presents the latest ideas and trends which inspire the world's best programs and program creators. DOC members receive 15% off registration fees. Please click [here](#) if you wish to register.

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### CFTPA's 20th Prime Time

The CFTPA will be holding its conference in Ottawa from February 17th-19th, 2010. The conference features speakers, panels, and networking opportunities featured around the theme "The Brave New World". For more information please click [here](#).

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### CFC Media Lab's IAEP

The CFC Media Lab provides a unique training, research and production think-tank environment for emerging new media artists, content developers, and practitioners. This year there will be a competition with the grand prize of free tuition to the CFC Media Lab's Interactive Arts and Entertainment Program. Click [here](#) for more details.

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### Call For Entries: Yorkton Film Festival

Canadian filmmakers, producers and distributors are invited to submit their original work to the competition for the Golden Sheaf Awards. Canadian productions 60 minutes or less, completed between Feb. 1, 2000 and Jan. 31, 2010, and have not been entered in a previous Golden Sheaf competition will be accepted. The Festival runs from May 27th to May 30th 2010. For more information please click [here](#).

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### Call For Entries: DOXA Documentary Film Festival

The DOXA Film Fest is taking place in Vancouver from May 7th to 16th 2010. The deadline to enter is December 18th, 2009. The festival accepts all independent documentary films in all styles, lengths or format. For more information, or to download an entry form, please click [here](#).

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## Connections

**All DOC members are invited to join doc-discussion, our e-mail discussion group.**

There are two ways to join:

1) At our Yahoo Group page:

[http://movies.groups.yahoo.com/  
group/doc-discussion/0](http://movies.groups.yahoo.com/group/doc-discussion/0)

2) By sending a blank e-mail to [doc-discussion-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:doc-discussion-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

You will receive a confirmation e-mail, to which you have to reply.

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**DOCspace is here for you! Take advantage of the exposure to filmmakers and fans that DOCspace offers.**

- 1) Update your Member profile or Film profile (post a film clip, add a photo, and make sure to use the handy tag feature). Need help? Email [administrator@docspace.ca](mailto:administrator@docspace.ca)
- 2) Post a classified ad. Categories are: Barter, Equipment, For Rent, For Sale, Jobs, Services). Login to your DOCspace profile to post an ad or email [administrator@docspace.ca](mailto:administrator@docspace.ca) with your ad information.
- 3) Publicize a News or Event item on DOCspace's homepage. This could be information about an upcoming film premiere, your company news, festival news and/or a submission call. Email [administrator@docspace.ca](mailto:administrator@docspace.ca) with your News and Event information.
- 4) Just completed a doc or have a doc-in-progress? Want to share your expertise? Attending a film festival? Write about your personal experience for DOCspace News. For example, Andrew Munger wrote about his experiences creating Wal-Mart Nation just for DOCspace readers at [www.docspace.ca/news/Why\\_WalMart](http://www.docspace.ca/news/Why_WalMart). Email [administrator@docspace.ca](mailto:administrator@docspace.ca) with your article ideas.
- 5) Advertise on DOCspace. Email [marsha@docorg.ca](mailto:marsha@docorg.ca) for rate information.
- 6) Help promote DOCspace by posting a link on your web site.

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