

# Ahead of the Game

Useful websites...and some things that even SPO doesn't know!

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USC websites for forms & information:

What's new in the Cinema-School. Find a Grad film to learn skills *fast!*  
<http://www.scfilm.net/>

When SPO is closed never fear, permits are here!  
<http://realityendshere.net>

School of Cinema-Television Official Website. Find out what's deep beneath Norris Theatre, and other random facts... like what classes you need to graduate!  
<http://www-cntv.usc.edu>

Top resource sites for film students:

Find Make-up artists, FX artists, Costume Designers, Stunt Supervisors, Composers, and other experts to make your film rock! First posting is free.  
<http://www.mandy.com>

I need...anything and everything, from A-Z. The newest and fastest growing site to find anything for filmmaking, and beyond. Select Los Angeles as your home city.  
<http://www.craigslist.org/>

I need actors - \$20  
<http://www.backstagewest.com>

I need more actors - \$10  
<http://www.breakdownservices.com/>

And even more Actors - \$??  
<http://www.castnet.com/>

And even more...obviously because your film rivals that of *Braveheart* - \$ free  
<http://www.nowcasting.com/>

Don't feel like driving around for locations?  
<http://www.cinemascout.org>

I want to BUY film/Video/Computer/Photography equipment from a reputable source at the best price possible and don't want to pay sales tax – **B & H Camera, New York** (I buy everything there)  
[www.bhphotovideo.com](http://www.bhphotovideo.com)

## LOCAL RESOURCES:

Cheap DV tape. Open late all week...except Sundays. Buy Sony tape in bulk and save.

### **Edgewise Film & Tape Inc.**

1215 N. Highland Ave  
Hollywood, California 90038  
Tel: (323) 466 8101

Film & Photography superstore. Now open weekends.

### **Sammy's Camera**

431 S Fairfax Ave  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 938-2420

More Camera Equipment. Competitive prices.

### **Simon's Camera**

1213 N Highland Ave  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 463-8585

My film shoot went late and I ran out of tape, and batteries, and I need another 600Watt Light!

**Pix Photo Items Xpress** (24 hours, good prices, enter in back of store)

211 S. La Brea Ave  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 936-8488

The Filmmaker's Superstore (*ASK FOR USC STUDENT DISCOUNT*)

### **Studio Depot—A Mole-Richardson Company**

900 N. La Brea Avenue, Hollywood, CA 90038  
Voice: (323) 851-0111 Fax: (323) 851-7854  
Monday-Friday: 8:00am to 6:00pm  
Saturday: 8:00am to 12:00pm (Closed Sunday)  
[www.studiodepot.com](http://www.studiodepot.com)

Cheaper than Mole-Richardson Studio Store. Also open Saturdays.

### **Filmtools**

3100 W Magnolia Blvd  
Burbank, CA  
(818) 845-8066

### Grip/Lighting Equipment Rental

(Best prices)

### **Wooden Nickel Lighting**

6920 Tujunga Ave  
North Hollywood, CA  
(818) 761-9662

(Open Saturdays!!!)

### **Castex Rentals**

1044 Cole Ave  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 462-1468

## Camera Equipment Rental

### **Alan Gordon Enterprises Inc**

5625 Melrose Ave  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 466-3561

### **Clairmont Camera**

4343 Lankershim Blvd  
North Hollywood, CA  
(818) 761-4440

## Costumes

### **International Costumes**

(Good Priced Rentals)  
1423 Marcelina Ave  
Torrance, CA  
(310) 320-6392

### **American Rag**

(Pre-worn clothes)  
150 S La Brea Ave, Los Angeles, CA  
90036  
(323) 935-3154

### **Hollywood Toys & Costumes**

(Good for make-up, FX, and small  
costume items and accessories)  
6600 Hollywood Blvd.  
Hollywood, CA 90028

Also good for costume: Any vintage  
store on Melrose Ave. between La Brea  
and Fairfax. Any vintage and costume  
store on Magnolia Blvd. east of  
Hollywood Way, Burbank CA.

## Props & Costume

### **Sony Property & Wardrobe**

(The Toys 'R Us of Independent Filmmakers)  
5300 Alla Rd  
Los Angeles, CA  
(310) 305-8344

### **OUT OF THE CLOSET THRIFT STORE**

(They're all over Los Angeles)  
1150 N VERMONT AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90029  
PHONE: (323) 663-2066

### **GOODWILL THRIFT STORE**

2823 S FIGUEROA ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90007  
PHONE: (213) 746-3964

### **GOODWILL THRIFT STORE (WAREHOUSE)**

342 N SAN FERNANDO RD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90031  
PHONE: (323) 223-1211

With all of these places, ask for student discounts for film students. Many stores are discounted so much that they may not have one, but ask anyway. Good Luck!