



**Adams State University**  
**Media Professionals Career Connection**  
**Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**ASU Black Box Theatre**  
**1507 Main St, Alamosa, CO 81101**

**Presentation and Q&A**

2:15 – 4:15 PM

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**Courtney Potts**, Program Manager of Colorado Office of Film, Television and Media

**2:30**

**Mariel Rodriguez-McGill**, Producer at Rocky Mountain PBS

**2:45**

**Sonny Hutchison**, Chief Administrative Officer of High Noon Entertainment

**3:00**

**Vincent Gonzales**, Assistant Director

## Speakers

**Courtney Potts** is the program manager for the Colorado Office of Film, Television & Media. She received her B.A. from DePaul University in Chicago and majored in film studies and Italian. After careers in legal administration and accounting, Courtney began film editing and other post production freelancing in the Denver independent film community. In October 2012, Courtney joined the Colorado Office of Film which is based in Denver. The Colorado Office of Film wants to work with as many communities as possible to prepare for the challenges and opportunities that arise during production.

**Mariel Rodriguez-McGill** is an Emmy Award-Winning creative producer, director and editor focused on documentary filmmaking with a passion for telling inspirational and compelling stories. Currently at Rocky Mountain PBS in Denver, Colorado, Mariel helped develop the food-themed web-series **GREAT INGREDIENTS**, and the historical documentary series **COLORADO EXPERIENCE**, which will launch its fourth season fall 2016. Mariel received a BA from Boston College and holds a Masters Degree from University of Denver in Media, Film & Journalism Studies.

**Sonny Hutchison** is an award-winning producer and photographer, Sonny serves as executive producer on a number of series and specials for High Noon's cable network clients. Additionally, Sonny works closely with High Noon's legal and business affairs group providing oversight of insurance, rights and releases, and employment matters for the company. Prior to co-founding High Noon, Sonny was the Denver NBC affiliate, KUSA-TV, for seventeen years. He was a producer on the award winning documentary series **HOW THE WEST WAS LOST** for The Discovery Channel and he has produced and directed a number of films for the National Park Service including projects for Zion National Park, Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Shenandoah National Park. Sonny was a Cinematography Fellow at the American Film Institute in Los Angeles, He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the State University of New York at Brockport.

**Vincent Gonzales** is a 4th generation Colorado native and attended the University of Colorado at Boulder. Upon graduation, he began working his way up the film industry ladder from office PA to DGA Assistant Director. His work on features and TV, have taken him around the world to Beijing, China and around the country to small towns like Senoia, Georgia. Some of his credits include: **THE WALKING DEAD, BOSTON LEGAL, CHARMED, THE SANDLOT, THE LIMEY**, and **ENCINO MAN**; second units for **TRANSFORMERS 4, NEIGHBORS, THE TOOTH FAIRY, FAST AND FURIOUS 6** and **TRAFFIC AND SPEED**.