**Pitt in Hollywood** is a student-run organization affiliated with the University of Pittsburgh, which was formed to encourage interaction between the entertainment industry and the university community. Carl Kurlander and Mark Best are PIH’s faculty advisors.

Born in the spring of 2002 after a visit from producer/film executive (300/Village Roadshow) Bernie Goldmann, the group has subsequently hosted dozens of guest speakers including producers Robert Cort (*Save the Last Dance*), comedian Louie Anderson, Bob Kusbit (*TRL*), manager Eric Gold (Jim Carrey, Vince Vaughn), actor David Conrad (*Ghost Whisperer*) and many more. PIH students have gone on to intern and work in film and TV in Pittsburgh, LA, and New York. For more info about the organization, please visit: [www.hollywood.pitt.edu](http://www.hollywood.pitt.edu)

This event is being moderated by Carl Kurlander, a Visiting Distinguished Senior Lecturer at Pitt and faculty adviser to Pitt in Hollywood, who for two decades was a screenwriter (*St. Elmo’s Fire*) and TV writer/producer (*Saved by the Bell*). He is currently beginning a new film about how Pittsburgh conquered polio.

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- [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com)
- [www.mossercasting.com](http://www.mossercasting.com)

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**Looking to get into movies, but don’t know anyone in the industry? Interested in a career in casting?**

**Casting Director**

**Nancy Mosser**

**COME AND LEARN ABOUT THE CASTING PROCESS AND MANY OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED WITH LOCALLY FILMED MOVIES**

This event is brought to you by Pitt in Hollywood.

**Friday, March 28- 4:00 p.m.**
One key ingredient in any film is actors. It makes sense. Someone has to be in front of the camera reading the script. And in order to get actors, someone has to hire them. This is where NANCY MOSER and Nancy Mosser Casting come into play. Mosser, a Penn State graduate, started her career in film as a movie and TV producer for projects in Boston and Pittsburgh from 1978-1989. For the next two years, she worked as a freelance casting director. She was in charge of casting extras for HBO’s CRIMINAL JUSTICE (1990), which starred Forest Whitaker, Anthony LaPaglia and Rosie Perez. She was also in charge of casting for DEAD AND ALIVE: THE RACE FOR GUS FARACE (1991) and PASSED AWAY (1992). Mosser then formed Nancy Mosser casting in 1993. Since then she’s gone on to cast parts in movies, TV shows and commercials that film in and around the Pittsburgh area. She has casted for MONEY FOR NOTHING (1993), which starred John Cusack, Benicio Del Toro and James Gandolfini, and which was shot in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. In 1996, she cast for the Farelly Brothers’ KINGPING, which featured Woody Harrelson, Randy Quaid and Bill Murray. She cast for Kevin Smith’s DOGMA (1999), INSPECTOR GADGET (1999) and WONDER BOYS (2000), which filmed around Pittsburgh, including at both Chatham College and Carnegie Mellon University. Mosser is also casting locally for the upcoming movies THE BRIDGE TO NOWHERE, which will be directed by Blair Underwood and stars Ving Rhames, THE ROAD, which stars Charlize Theron, Viggo Mortensen and Robert Duval and SHELTER, which features Julianne Moore and Jonathan Rhys Meyers. The Nancy Mosser Casting Agency also offers acting classes for anyone interested in learning the craft. Mosser was also the director of casting for ADVENTURELAND (2008) and ZACK AND MIRI MAKE A PORNO (2008).

ADVENTURELAND was written and directed by Greg Mottola (SUPERBAD). The movie is set in the summer of 1987, and features Jesse Eisenberg (THE VILLAGE) as a college graduate who gets a job at the local amusement park. The amusement park portions of the movie were filmed at Kennywood Amusement Park in West Mifflin. Also in the cast are Ryan Reynolds (VAN WILDER), Kirsten Stewart (INTO THE WILD), Martin Starr (KNOCKED UP) and Bill Hader and Kristen Wiig (SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE).

ZACK AND MIRI MAKE A PORNO was written and directed by Kevin Smith (CLERKS, CHASING AMY). Seth Rogan (KNOCKED UP) and Elizabeth Banks (DEFINITELY, MAYBE) star in the movie about friends in need of money. To earn some cash, they decide to make a porno. The movie also stars Pittsburgh’s own Tom Savini (GRINDHOUSE), as well as Jason Mewes (CHASING AMY) and Craig Robinson THE OFFICE).