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New Brooklyn Film Ties New Jersey, Seattle Together

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Was Shot at Former Greenpoint School, Prospect Heights Deli

BROOKLYN — The setting may be New Jersey and the story may concern a musician's goal of reaching Seattle, but it's Brooklyn that brings it all together.

A new short film, BeforeWe Get to Seattle, was written, produced and filmed in Brooklyn and has many ties to local neighborhoods including Kensington, Bay Ridge, Park Slope and Fort Greene.

"You could call it a coming-of-age story, but I personally never liked that term." April Mosqus, who co-wrote and directed the film with her award-winning filmmaker partner Adam Linn, explains. "It came from a feature-length script I wrote called Heartbreaker."

The short film follows the same premise, set in the 1990s and featuring a character trying to leave New Jersey to go to Seattle to start a rock band.

Linn says the film is about how goals in life interplay with friendships. "It's about saying goodbye, how relationships change and how aspects of them continue."

The films characters include Chloe, played by Park Slope resident Claire Buckingham; Michelle, played by Manhattan resident Claire Natale; and Leo, played by Bay Ridge resident John Cappelli.

The film was shot at two Brooklyn locations, including a former high school in Greenpoint and the 24 Hour Prospect Park Deli at Prospect Park West and 16th Street in Park Slope.

The film is currently undergoing sound editing. Music is also being composed by Brooklyn musician Matt Wrobel. Once completed, Mosqus and Linn say the work begins approaching film festivals and securing showings around the country.

Anyone interested in supporting the film or following progress can visit the web site www.indiegogo.com/Before-We-Get-To-Seattle.

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