



WELCOME TO



MELIORA
INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

Thursday, November 14th
Friday, November 15th
Saturday, November 16th
Sunday, November 17th

Meet the Team!



Meliora in ancient Latin means to heal, to help, to make better. We believe that art, and movies in particular, have the ability to do just that. From environmental documentaries, to powerful stories of hope and inspiration, to films that are so funny they lighten up the whole room. That is what we strive to do: to celebrate films that are making the world a better place. Our international film festival has its home in NYC, which is a mirror for the whole world. We bring together visionary filmmakers and incredible charitable organizations to do our part in contributing to a better tomorrow.

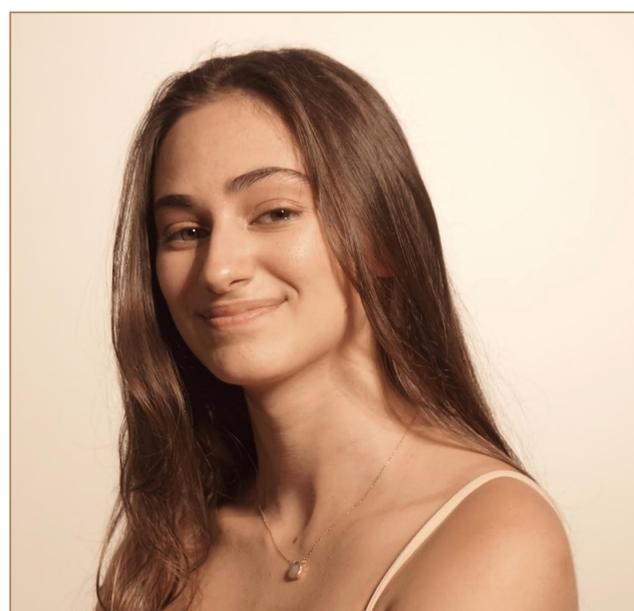
Jenilyn Rodriguez Festival Founder



Jenilyn is a producer, director, actress & Spiritual healer. She believes that Meliora is the way her worlds can come together as she hopes to make a positive impact with all the work she can possibly do.

Racquel Gallo Festival Founder

Racquel is a producer and assistant director with a passion for filmmaking. With Meliora she hopes to highlight stories that will spark important conversations towards making the world a better place.



Cara D'Adamo Festival Coordinator

Cara is an actress, photographer and entrepreneur with Faith Over Fear Productions & Studio. With Meliora she believes that creativity takes courage, and every artist's vision will be represented.



Schedule

Friday, November 15th

Theater U

Block A 6:00-7:20pm

The closest to how the last weeks of March felt like

The Banquet of Greed

Coral Projects: Everglades Art Lab

Crumb Cake

THE TOWER

Bird Poop

Block B 7:20-8:20pm

Ivy's Dream

Hero

THE PROF

Block C 8:20-10:00pm

“Stardust: The Story of Robert Venturi
and Denise Brown

Schedule

Saturday, November 16th

Theater U

Block D 6:00-7:30pm

The Eulogy

Shattered Mirror

Wink

Trash Talk Tonight

Block F 7:40-8:40pm

Industry Panel Q&A

Block H 8:40-10:00pm

Aphrodite

It Was Real.

Moving On

Prodigals' Road

Closing Reception 10:00-12:00am

Join us for an after party at the Quad
Cinemas Bar for drinks, hors d'oeuvres,
raffles, merch, and more!

Schedule

Saturday, November 16th

Theater Q

Block E 6:00-7:20pm

Mira Chai- The Godmother of Men's Grooming

Take my Hand

One Wish

Stand for Humanity [a PSA about Hate crime]

Block G 7:20-8:20pm

Never Can Say Goodbye

The Beginning is the end is the beginning

Figs For Italo

SMOKE BREAK

Block J 8:20-10:00pm

BOUND

Closing Reception 10:00-12:00am

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Sunday, November 17th

Theater U

Block K 3:00-5:15pm

Triple Threat

Awards Ceremony 5:30-7:00pm

Best Feature Film	Best Supporting Actress
Best Short Film	Best Supporting Actor
Best Documentary	Best Ensemble Cast
Best Foreign Film	Best Score
Best Cinematography	Best Song
Best Script	Best Editing
Best Director	Best Comedy
Best Actress	Best Original Screenplay
Best Actor	

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Judges

Dominick LaRuffa Jr.

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Panelists

Caroline Sinclair

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Sandy Tejada

Special Guest TBA

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Jenilyn & Racquel

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MEH-lee-OR-uh

A Latin adjective meaning "better,"
or a noun meaning

better things,
always better,
or for the pursuit of the better.

Or the pursuit of better things /
to make things better

\$10



\$15



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and
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SUCCESSFUL FILM FESTIVAL!**

**TED, VICKY, YIANNI & NICK
BRAKATSELOS**

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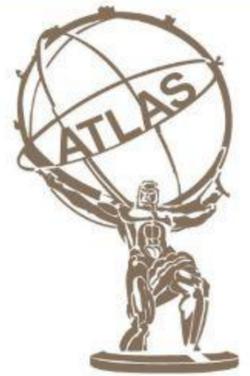
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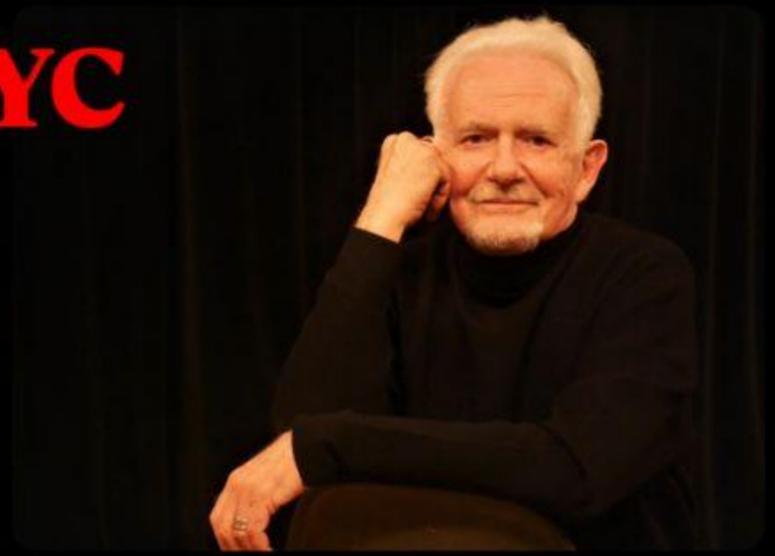


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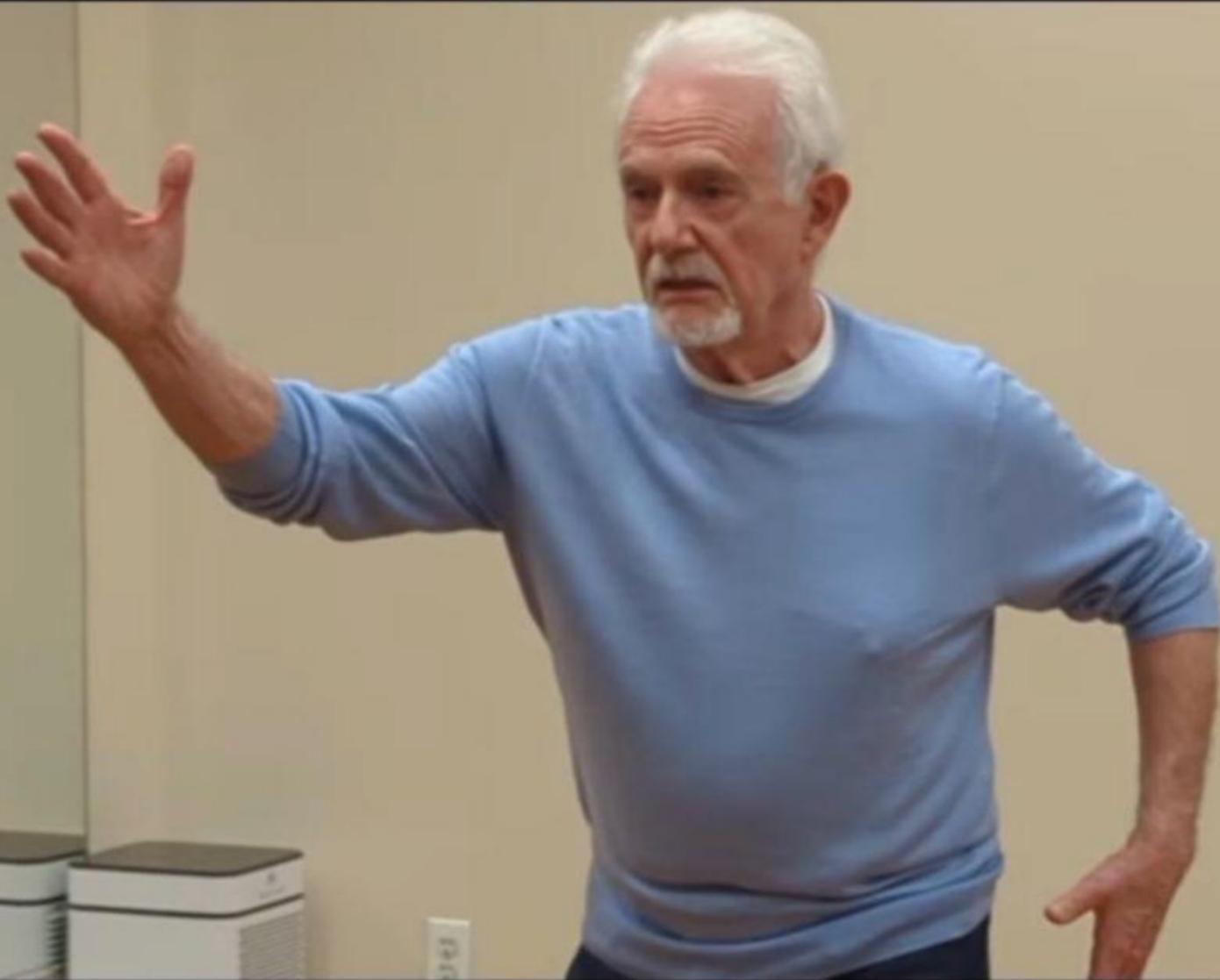
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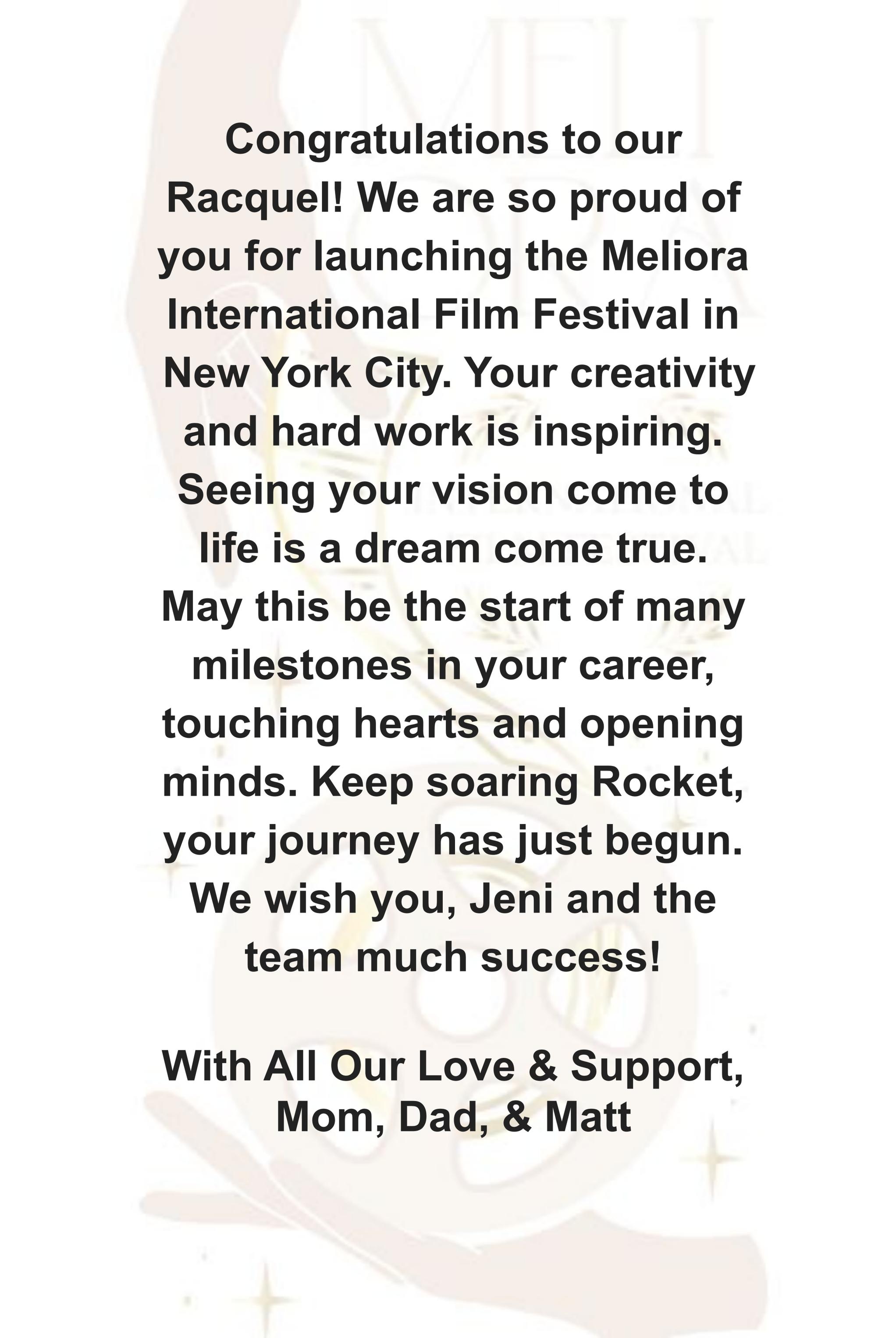


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