

Five flicks and a TV series define Santa Fe as both film industry hub and subject

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**1 TRUE GRIT (2010)**

The Coen brothers' adaptation of the 1969 classic John Wayne film was set in a ranch in northern New Mexico. Matt Damon was a little out of his element.

**2 WILD HOGS (2007)**

This movie took over Madrid with its elaborate fake buildings and John Travolta's massive RV. I think that's the most renovation the town has ever seen.

**3 SMOKE SIGNALS (1998)**

This coming-of-age story about social castes and teenage angst set on an Indian reservation helped define Santa Fe University of Art and Design Moving Image Arts Department Director Chris Eyre's film career.

**4 BREAKING BAD (2008)**

Though technically not a movie, this popular TV series depicts New Mexico as a breeding ground for drug and gang activity. And we are so happy for the publicity.

**5 EASY RIDER (1969)**

No, this is not porn. It's about two men biking across America. The black leather is for entirely different purposes.

**6 MY SO-CALLED APOCALYPSE (2011)**

In former SFR Editor Julia Goldberg's super-camp, low-budget, MIX-funded zombie flick, Goldberg and crew throw back some brewskies at the Cowgirl and fight the likes of zombified Mayor David Coss et al. The situation looks grim until SFR columnist Zane Fisher, wielding a shotgun and an army of south side workers, saves the day.

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