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## WESTERN HOSTS NEW YORK FILMMAKER

**St. Joseph, Mo.** — Feb. 26, 2004—In preparation for St. Joseph’s first International Film Festival, Missouri Western State College’s Communication Connection, a student organization based out of the communication studies and theatre department, is hosting a night of food and films at 6:30 p.m. April 15 in the Leah Spratt Multipurpose Classroom Building, Kemper Recital Hall.

The event will begin with a reception from 6:30–7 p.m. featuring food and drink, along with exhibitions of international, professional and student short films. Following the reception, plans for the International Film Festival set for October will be unveiled. New York City filmmaker Stephen Daniels will then present a sneak preview of his film “Late Watch,” which he produced and starred in. After the preview, Daniels will answer questions about the making of his film and the filmmaking process.

The Western Foundation and communication studies and theatre department are sponsoring the event, and it is free and open to the community.

The film “Late Watch” is scheduled to make its world premiere at the Tribeca Film Festival in New York City May 1-9. This film is not yet rated and contains adult subject matter. To find out more about “Late Watch” go to [www.latewatch.com](http://www.latewatch.com).

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