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Alumnus to talk about filmmaking

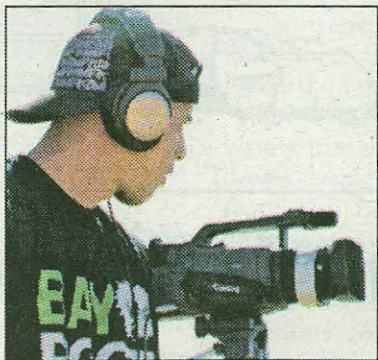
Paul George
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A Truckee Meadows Community College alumnus will present on campus his documentary film about independent music artists.

“Silence is Sound” will be shown at 7 p.m. Oct. 22 in Sierra 108. It will play after the Global Lens Film “What a Wonderful World.” Admission is a donation of \$4.

“Silence is Sound” is about a group of independent musical artists who remain independent by choice, said director Matt Reyes.

These musical artists, Reyes said, struggle to produce good music in spite of huge hurdles, trials, opposition and money.



Photos provided by Matt Reyes
Matt Reyes shooting on location.

The film mainly focuses on Reno’s hip-hop scene, but also deals with artists in Las Vegas, Seattle and Sacramento.

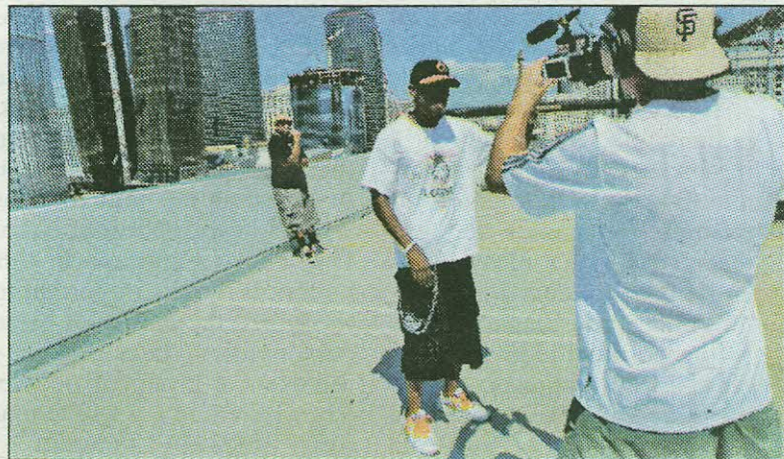
Although the artists shown

are hip-hop, Reyes said, he did not want the movie to be marketed as a hip-hop film. According to the director, the film is an inspiration to anyone who has an artistic dream.

While making the film, Reyes said he met kids who want to be famous, but do not realize the amount of work needed to attain that level of success. Kids, Reyes said, only see the end result of fame: material riches and a supermodel wife.

“They are missing the process of getting there,” Reyes said, “which is not always a glorious path.”

Reyes attended TMCC from 2003 to 2005. He then transferred to University of Nevada, Reno and majored in anthropol-



ogy.
“TMCC is a great place to learn,” Reyes said. He said that the college has a diverse student body and it allowed him to ob-

serve a wide range of opinions.
“I think it is invaluable,” Reyes said in regard to his experience at TMCC.