

Land of the Lost

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Owner of Large House
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Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Zach Weintraub. I am a recent graduate of New York University's Tisch School of the Arts and am currently putting together my first feature film - to be produced right here in the area. Having grown up in Olympia it seemed logical to return home to the village that raised me at this early stage of my career. So I left New York about six weeks ago, and now here I am.

Let me explain to you the circumstances in which I've been driven to write you. Perhaps you've already guessed. I am currently lacking the dollars necessary to make my film. It is a project that I am personally excited about. It is a coming-of-age tale in which "age" never comes: a critical yet celebratory look at feeling mixed-up that acknowledges that it is only normal to struggle, to lose, and to not have the answers.

I see you have a large house, and can only assume that your bank account corresponds in size. Here is what I am hoping will happen: you will be amused by this audacity of this letter, you will check out the film's website (www.lotlmovie.com), you will look at the online prospectus there, and you will decide that this is something you should get behind financially. You are welcome to call me, e-mail me, write me, or visit me at my home.

I sincerely hope that, should you decide that this is something you care nothing for, you are at least not offended by my bold-faced request. In fact, I would never have resorted to such a silly, unconventional fundraising method did I think that you might not get a kick out of it, or that it wouldn't at least prove an amusing break of routine.

Lastly, you can be sure that this is in no way a scam, because I'm not really offering you anything in return for your support, minus endless gratitude and a proper place in the film's credits.

Sincerely,

Zach Weintraub