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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ALUMNUS KEITH DINIELLI
WINS EMMY FOR *THE VOICE***

Selden, NY –Suffolk County Community College Alumnus, Keith Dinielli, Class of 1990, recently won an Emmy as one of the producers for *The Voice* in the Best Competition Reality Series category.

Mr. Dinielli received his Associate Degree in Radio and Television Production. He went on to receive a Bachelor's Degree from The University of Southern California's School of Cinematic Arts in 1996.

The summer after he received his degree, he returned to Long Island where he co-wrote, produced and directed the feature film, *Changeover*, shot on location in Riverhead. The low budget production utilized Suffolk students in front of and behind the cameras as well as a voice over cameo by Suffolk professor, Alan Bernstein. The film premiered at Theater Three in Port Jefferson in 1998.

Upon returning to California, he landed production assistant work on several TV shows before a long stint in feature film development, where he worked on the *Fast And Furious* franchise, *SWAT*, *Vantage Point* and *Click*. He also continued to write and direct his own films.

In 2010, Mr. Dinielli took a producer position on a reality show called *Your Own Show* for the fledgling Oprah Winfrey Network, which eventually led to his joining *The Voice* in 2011.

“I can credit the success I have had to hard work, perseverance and to the sound advice I received from my Suffolk County Community College professor, Alan Bernstein,” said Mr. Dinielli. “In moment of caring and candor, Professor Bernstein pulled me aside and informed that while I had talent, I wouldn't be successful unless I could learn to work with people. It was a life changing moment and a piece of advice that I practice to this day.”

Dr. Shaun L. McKay, President of Suffolk County Community College, commented, “I want to congratulate and commend Keith Dinielli for his hard work and dedication to his field. Keith is an excellent example of someone who found his passion, honed his skills through hard work and used his life experiences to reach the top of his field. We are extremely proud to say that his success started at Suffolk.”



Photo Caption: Suffolk County Community College’s Alumni, Keith Dinielli, Class of 1990, recently won an Emmy as one of the producers for "The Voice" in the Best Competition Reality Series category.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling approximately 26,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering affordable college tuition, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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