

Feirstein Named a Top U.S. Film School by The Hollywood Reporter—Again

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Brooklyn College's Graduate School of Cinema is lauded for its facilities, faculty, and affordability.

For the fifth consecutive year, [The Hollywood Reporter](#) has recognized the [Feirstein Graduate School of Cinema](#) as one of the top film schools in the United States.

As the newest institution included in the magazine's prestigious annual rankings, Feirstein stands out for its affordability, cutting-edge facilities, and unique location within Steiner Studios at the Brooklyn Navy Yard—right in the heart of New York City, one of the world's most competitive entertainment markets.

The Hollywood Reporter praised the program, noting: “Feirstein counts *Ethan Hawke* and *Darren Aronofsky* as members of its advisory council and is a top public offering in the most expensive entertainment hub in the country. The program, based in Steiner Studios at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, offers an MFA with specializations in live-action filmmaking, digital animation and VFX and new courses on casting, intimacy coordination and analogue cinematography.”

[Charles Haine](#), a longtime faculty member who took over leadership of the school in July, emphasized Feirstein’s commitment to accessibility and innovation in film education. “We’re redefining what a world-class film education can look like and offering our talented and diverse students the opportunity to tell their unique stories at a fraction of the price of other top film programs.”