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Michigan movie clips: David Arquette, Michigan fan

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David Arquette is having so much fun filming "Scream 4" in southeast Michigan that he's unveiling a new T-shirt design inspired by the state for his Propr clothing brand.

"I travel to a lot of different places and there are great restaurants and cool things to do and see, but for me it comes down to the people. And I love the people in Michigan," says Arquette, who's been staying in Ann Arbor since the beginning of July when the Wes Craven-directed "Scream 4" commenced production.

Launched a little more than two years ago with musician Ben Harper and David Bedwell, the Propr clothing line is influenced by multiple sources, from the founders' tastes to contemporary street style to classic artists and writers who evoke a certain tone, like Hunter S. Thompson and Charles Bukowski. "We pay a lot of attention to detail, there's a vintage quality and an element of edge," Arquette says of the mostly men's designs. "The garments are very wearable. You can dress up and wear a sports jacket with them or go more casual with jeans. It's very comfortable clothing."

Arquette describes the new Michigan-inspired shirt as "more of a graphic T that features (University of) Michigan football colors and cool numbers 1837, the date when Michigan became a state," he says. "It's got a really fun feel. It's a nice nod to the great state of Michigan."

In recent weeks the actor has been all over metro Detroit, including Northville and Plymouth,

while filming the fourth film in Craven's successful horror franchise with his wife and costar Courteney Cox. He says he wasn't so sure about the Great Lakes State when he first learned they'd be shooting here, but instantly changed his mind. "Reuniting with the cast, crew and Wes again, here, it's really been fantastic. Filming is going awesome -- we're really having so much fun. I love it here."

He also says critics of Michigan's tax incentives for filmmakers should think about the future.

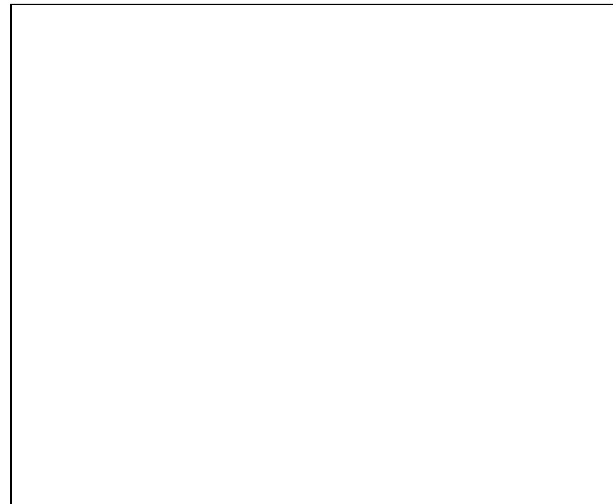
"It's a really great thing Michigan has done here and there will not only be tons of money coming in from the film productions itself, but all the hotels, restaurants, bars, clothing stores, rental cars and other businesses will receive a real bump."

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Arquette and his family are out all the time. He's been to a Detroit Tigers game, calls Zingerman's Deli "ridiculously good," enjoys biking and can't get enough of the area's lakes and rivers. "It's so beautiful here, incredible."

He's been all over the social-networking site Twitter sharing his love for the state's sights, sounds, people and food these last few weeks.

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He says he's looking forward to engaging with fans on Saturday at his low-key Propr party at Rear Ends.

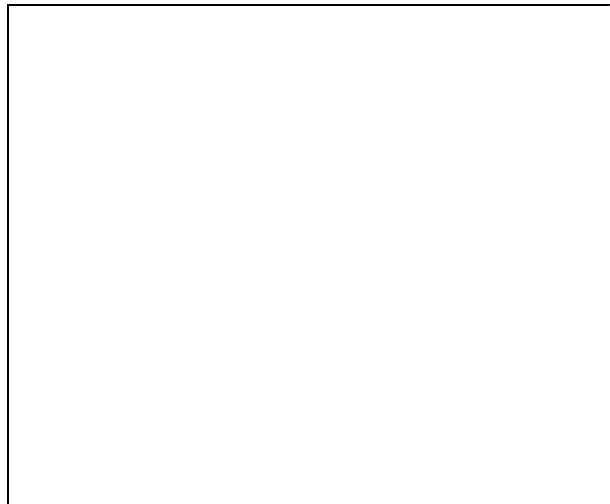
"I'm really excited to hang out," Arquette says of his appearance. "We'll have the new shirts there. And I hope I can bring some attention to the boutique. It's going to be cool."

David Arquette will attend a promotional party for Propr beginning at noon Saturday at Rear Ends, 6905 Orchard Lake, West Bloomfield. 248-626-4333.

Detroit students star in solar-power documentary

Amy Schmidt, the daughter of Detroit Lions Hall of Famer Joe Schmidt, is producing and directing a documentary film called "Detroit Rising." It's about a group of Detroit high school students who are involved in an educational and entrepreneurial program that focuses on solar technology and urban agriculture. Schmidt, who grew up in metro Detroit and now lives in Los Angeles, plans to go to South Africa soon to film the students, who are traveling there later this month to work on solar energy and urban farming projects.

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