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(Cynthia Close Women Who Shoot: More Cinematography Opportunities in Docs, Documentary magazine, Fall 2016)

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(Maria Giese, writer/director, "Hunger," November 4, 2016)

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