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Actress and filmmaker Giovannie Espiritu was nominated alongside Academy Award Nominees Alfre Woodard and Amy Irving for Best Supporting Actress at MethodFest for the Mynah Films feature film Fiona's Script. Her primetime credits include a recurring role on ER (NBC), Bones (FOX), Gilmore Girls (ABC), and Trauma (NBC). She can currently be seen as the lead in the Amazon series, "Dyke Central," which was featured in After Ellen, BuzzFeed, Bust Magazine and Curve Magazine as a top LGBTQ series to watch. As a filmmaker, she was featured in Elizabeth Banks' WhoHaHa Media for her parody song, "An Introvert's World," and her storytelling has been featured in Ms. Magazine. A two-time Outfest Fusion Filmmaker, her short film, "Ultra-Feminist," was awarded Honorable Mention.

An entrepreneur as well, she coaches kids/teens online nationwide through HollywoodActorsWorkshop.com and was just named as one of the top 40 Audition Coaches in Los Angeles by the Hollywood Winners Circle founded by Wendy Alane Wright, a top talent manager. Her students are represented by the top agencies in the Bay Area and Los Angeles and notable student alumni include William Lipton (Cameron on General Hospital) and the Espina Sisters (Hosts of Dreamworks' "Life Hacks for Kids on the Road").

In her spare time, she rock climbs and advocates for Domestic Violence Awareness/Prevention and LGBTQ equality. She has served on the Board of Directors for C.O.R.A. (a Bay Area domestic violence hotline and agency) and been awarded a Certificate of Recognition from the Senate for her community service.



# GIOVANNIE IN THE PRESS



## Actress Giovannie Espiritu named one of the 40 Best Audition Coaches in LA



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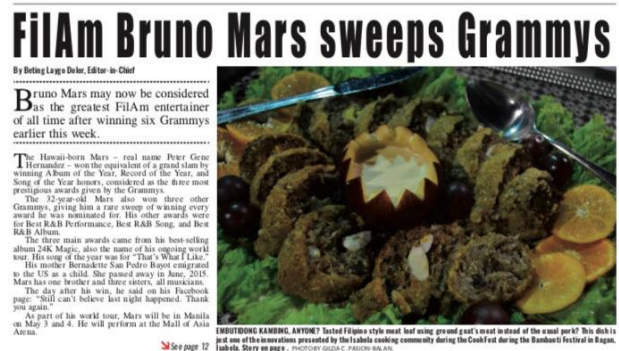
"I feel humbled to be included on a list with so many people that I look up to, some of whom I, myself, have studied under," Espiritu says.

She shares the honor with some of Tinseltown's finest including renowned teachers Margie Haber, Amy Lyndon, Leslie Kahn and Annie Grindlay; casting directors Harriet Greenspan, Phaedra Harris, and Risa Bramon; as well as comedy king Scott Sedita.

Although people have heard the maxim, "He who can, does. He who cannot, teaches," Espiritu has been adept at doing both.

"I love acting and teaching acting. I believe that when we teach children that emotions are only guideposts and aren't anything to be ashamed of, we can help them channel their feelings into art instead of unhealthy behaviors," Espiritu remarks. "Acting also teaches empathy for one another and I truly think it helps the world become a better place."

As a working actor herself, Espiritu was nominated alongside Academy Award Nominees Alfre Woodward and Amy Irving for Best Supporting Actress at MethodFest and her primetime credits include ER (recurring), Bones, Gilmore Girls, and Trauma. She can currently be seen as the series lead in the Amazon series, "Dyle Central," (featured in After Ellen, BuzzFeed, and Curve



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Espiritu specializes in teaching kids, teens, and newer adult actors while also helping them navigate the ins and outs of the industry. Some of her notable alumni include William Lipton who plays Cameron on the long-running soap opera, "General Hospital," and the Espina sisters who host the Dreamwork's series, "Life Hacks for Kids: On The Road."





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## Stories from the Witch Hunt

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Handmaids. Witches. Comedians and musicians. These were not your standard #MeToo stories. This was The Witch Hunt, a variety show inspired by the #MeToo movement.



Today we'd like to introduce you to Giovannie Espiritu.



## "Dyke Central" Director Florencia Manovil Wants You To Watch More Queer TV

BY VICTORIA ALBERT IN TV



Florencia Manovil thinks the film industry has an ego problem — a big, masculine ego problem. The Argentinian director has felt this way since 1998, when she first started film school at Boston's Emerson College. Working sets on and off campus, Manovil said, she was routinely demeaned and patronized by male co-workers with less experience.



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## ENTERTAINMENT

### S.F. ACTORS WORKSHOP

## 'Small' acting school makes big impact

SAN BRUNO, Calif. — Those aspiring to become Hollywood stars would benefit from a two-hour seminar by veteran actor-teacher Giovannie Espiritu 12 noon-2 p.m., May 17.

"Intro to the industry" will discuss the different ways to properly get started in the TV and film industry and expose scams and traps like fly-by-night conventions, where parents or hopeful actors are asked to give thousands of dollars for a chance to meet agents and managers. Espiritu should know: She has starred on "ER" and "Bones." She is also proprietor-teacher of S.F. Actors Workshop, a school for kids, teens, and adults who are serious about working in the film and TV industry.

She describes her school as "small" and "humble" because it is a one-room studio in the heart of the San Francisco Bay Area Peninsula.

Though started only four years ago, school has racked up impressive results.

Earlier one of Espiritu's first students, Rayna Sheftman, was flown to Los Angeles to star in the film



Actor-teacher Giovannie Espiritu is giving a two-hour seminar on the different ways to properly get started in the TV and film industry.

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giovannie espritu: the (brave and) wild card

The amount of roles that are available to women of color are already so small.

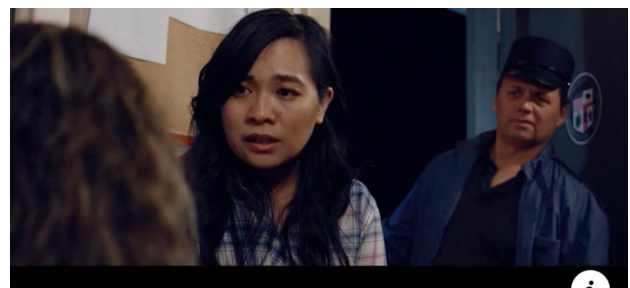
With Filipino women, it's even smaller because sometimes you're not Asian enough for some roles and too Latina for some roles.

I just hope that Filipino movies becomes more mainstream so that it opens up more roles for other Filipinos who are in the industry.

I'm just hoping that there's more.

Giovannie Espiritu

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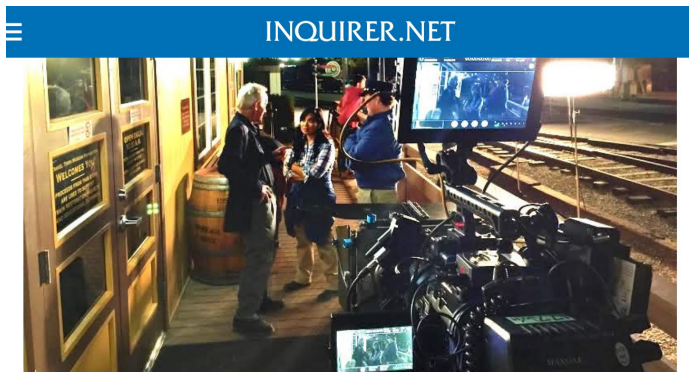
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### Behind the Scenes of D-Railed with Actress Giovannie Espiritu

Giovannie is a writer, director, producer and actor. She recently caught the attention of WhoHaHa, a creative community co-founded by Elizabeth Banks, which supports and spotlights women in comedy, and is featured as a filmmaker/creator for 'An introverts World', a comedic parody. Additionally, Amazon Prime picked up a 10-episode series called 'Dyke Central', where she plays the lead character Gin.

Currently, she plays the role of Jackie in the fantasy/thriller "D-Railed", starring sci-fi icon Lance Henricksen. She originally auditioned for the role of a character named Charlie, who was an assistant to Lance's character Manny, but after her fourth audition, there were cast changes and eventually the role of Charlie went to somebody else. Then the Director, Dale came and asked her to do narration at a table read, where she learned the role of Jackie was created for her.

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Artists and diversity advocates Dale Fabrigar and Gio Espiritu set for the red carpet in the country's largest film festival dedicated to horror and sci-fi. CONTRIBUTED

SAN FRANCISCO — Manila-born actor Giovannie “Gio” Espiritu defies the definition of undocumented immigrants according to the current tenant of the White House.

One of the busiest Filipino Americans in Hollywood, Espiritu stars on Amazon Prime's popular series “Dyke Central” and teaches acting at her [HollywoodActorsWorkshop.com](http://HollywoodActorsWorkshop.com), sharing skills with future colleagues and access to the system that has been an obstacle course for aspiring thespians of color.

For full interviews and more press links:  
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# GIOVANNIE BY THE NUMBERS

**Giovannie Espiritu**  
Actress | Producer | Editor



All Time High  
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1,383



Dyke Central ER D-Railed

Awards: 1 nomination & 1 additional award

**IMDbPro**

**INSTAGRAM** 12.1 K

**FACEBOOK** 3.1 K

**TWITTER** 3.7 K

**YOUTUBE** 537

**TOTAL REACH** 19.4 K

**ENGAGEMENT** 3 %

# RED CARPET

## EVENT LOOKS





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