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Venture Connectors hosts independent film producer at Oct. 1 luncheon
Milan Kumar Chakraborty, a CPA and producer of "Produce," filmed in Louisville, will discuss the business of filmmaking and its viability as an investment opportunity

(LOUISVILLE, KY) – Venture Connectors is pleased to host film producer Milan Kumar Chakraborty, CPA, at its Oct. 1 luncheon meeting. Chakraborty's newest film, "Produce" was filmed in and around Louisville, and will be screened at the [IdeaFestival](#) film event on Oct. 4 at 8 p.m. at Louisville Slugger Field.

He will discuss why film is a viable investment and business opportunity on par with any other type of investment, as well as the positive economic impact independent films have on the communities where they are produced. Chakraborty will also share tips on leveraging investments for film and how, as a CPA turned film producer, he is able to maximize revenue, economic incentives and shareholder value on his own movies. Chakraborty will be answering audience questions during his talk. Members and guests are invited to submit questions in advance to contact@ventureconnectors.org or tweet to [@vclou](#) using the hashtag #MilanVC.

Chakraborty graduated with a bachelor's degree of business administration in accounting from The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. After working for two years at Arthur Andersen LLP, Milan joined the internal audit department of Time Warner Inc. He then transferred to the Filmed Entertainment group that consists of Warner Bros. and New Line Cinema, together the largest producer of film and television in the world. Chakraborty has worked for multiple groups within the companies, including distribution, production and post-production. He has performed detailed reviews of 10 feature film productions and four television productions in six countries with budgets ranging from \$5 million to \$200 million.

Chakraborty's production audits include: "Batman Begins," "Dukes of Hazzard," "V for Vendetta," "Superman Returns," "Zodiac," "Entourage," "10,000 B.C.," "One Tree Hill" and "History of Violence." As part of these audits, Chakraborty developed and maintained positive relationships with all levels of production, while gaining a thorough understanding of the film industry and enforcing studio policies.

Chakraborty has also produced five feature films, including: "Rock Slyde," starring Patrick Warburton and Andy Dick; "Alter Egos," a superhero mystery with Kris Lemche, Brooke Nevin, Joey Kern Danny Masterson and Johnny Ventimiglia, and score by Sean Lennon; and "The Lifeguard," starring Kristen

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Bell and Mamie Gummer, written and directed by Liz W. Garcia. “The Lifeguard” was selected in competition in the 2013 Sundance film festival.

His newest film, “Produce,” is set in Louisville’s St. Matthews, and is about the personal journey of an alcoholic father who befriends a young man with a mental disability. Louisville native David DeSanctis plays the gregarious supermarket employee with Down Syndrome opposite Kristoffer Polaha. View the trailer for the film at www.iamproduce.com/trailer

Venture Connectors’ luncheon meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at the [Muhammad Ali Center](#), 144 N. Sixth St. Doors open at 11:30 a.m., and the meeting runs from noon-1:15 p.m. Registration is required at: www.ventureconnectors.org.

About Venture Connectors

Venture Connectors is an incorporated, not-for-profit organization, originally formed in 1995 as the Venture Club of Louisville. Venture Connectors goal is to connect entrepreneurs, investors, service providers, inventors, academics, practitioners, technologists, students and business experts together to increase the number and quality of new ventures launched from this region. Events include monthly luncheons and the annual Venture Sharks™ competition. Anyone interested in making valuable contacts, exchanging information or pursuing mutual business opportunities is welcome to attend a Venture Connectors event. Visit www.ventureconnectors.org.