



Quakers Hill High School In the Media 2009



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Closer to their dream: These students received practical tips on how to get into the world of movie making.

It was lights, camera, action

A GROUP of budding film-makers have been treated to some valuable insight into their profession of choice.

The 10 students recently completed a special course organised by Blacktown Regional Economic and Employment Development (BRED) Local Community Partnership in conjunction with Metro Screen.

It was held at Quakers Hill. Throughout the accredited three-week course the

students learned about script-writing, shooting on digital camera and editing, while receiving career advice.

The Metro Screen mobile unit has provided outreach training, equipment and production support for those interested in film for 25 years.

The need for a course was highlighted during the *West Side Stories* short film screening at Blacktown Arts Centre during Youth Week this year.

"The lack of entries drew our

attention to the fact they needed professional support to tell their stories," spokeswoman Sandra Ongley said.

Trainer and mentor Monica Davidson said the participating students were all talented.

"I expect great things from them," she said.

"These students can use the units for further study and to help build their resume."

"The short films can be entered into Metro Screen competitions."