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Be Heard, America



[The Smalls](#), a website for independent filmmakers, welcomes you to contribute personal audio clips to [Street Sounds](#), a new site created with Scion to capture location-based sounds that reflect our surroundings and define our lives. Every month, the biggest contributors of sounds can win a free iPod.

Street Sounds is a collaborative and interactive website where lovers of art and sounds can document their lives through snippets posted on a 3D map. Filmmakers, musicians and other artists can then search for sounds by keyword and location to use when creating new works of their own. The site allows users to listen in on everything from moments like a campus protest in Berkley or subway performance in New York, to vignettes such as laughter, a patron ordering beer or the rain.

“With The Smalls Street Sounds, we aim to create the largest online collaboration of free, user-generated sounds that will encourage people to listen to the sounds of America and stimulate creative expression,” said Anna Grund, founder of The Smalls. “Most of our lives are made up of multi-sensory experiences. The Sound Map provides people with the opportunity to focus on one — sound — to present and explore their world, and most importantly to let their imagination wander.”

<http://www.thesmalls.com/streetsounds>



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