



## 'Cinema Paradiso' TV Series in Development From Giuseppe Tornatore, Produced by Italy's Bamboo Production (Exclusive)

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Giuseppe Tornatore's Oscar-winning film "Cinema Paradiso," about a marvellous Sicilian cinema where a boy nicknamed Toto embarks on a lifelong love affair with the movies, is being spun off into a high-profile TV series that Tornatore will write and direct.

The six-episode "Paradiso" show is being developed by prominent Rome-based producer [Marco Belardi](#) ("Perfect Strangers") through his new shingle Bamboo Production, which he launched in February. Belardi said he's in advanced talks with an unspecified U.S. streamer to come on board. Belardi is currently in the U.S. with Tornatore, negotiating a deal.

"Cinema Paradiso" won a Special Jury Prize at the 1989 Cannes Film Festival before going on to win the Oscar for best foreign language film in 1990 and earning more than 12 million at the U.S. box via [Miramax](#) that year. The pic, which has since gained cult status globally, was re-released in the U.K.

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