

Lorie Conway – Director, Producer, Author

Lorie Conway is an American independent producer and [filmmaker](#). Her work has received Peabody, DuPont and [CableACE awards](#). In 1993-94, she was a [Nieman Fellow](#) at [Harvard University](#); she served for eight years as Vice President of the Nieman Foundation Advisory Board and has served for ten years as an Associate of the [Boston Public Library](#). Lorie Conway's work on *Forgotten Ellis Island*, the first film and book about the Ellis Island Immigrant Hospital, was supported by three grants from the [National Endowment for the Humanities](#).

For two years, the National Park Service gave independent producer Lorie Conway and her company, Boston Film and Video Productions, exclusive access to film the Ellis Island hospital buildings before restoration efforts began.

For over five years, original research was conducted in the archives at Ellis Island, the National Archives, the New York Public Library, the Library of Congress, and other institutions and personal collections. Many never-before-published photographs are featured in the film and companion book (Harper Collins, 2007) as well as excerpts from oral histories with medical staff, ward matrons and patients.