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FIFTH ANNUAL INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL

FEBRUARY 18-26 2016 – 86 Films, 16 Awards, 1 Fantastic Week

New York, NY (01/05/2016): New York City's rapidly growing **Winter Film Awards (WFA) Indie Film Festival**, now in its fifth year, is establishing itself as a dynamic and exciting event in the heart of the City. Winter Film Awards focuses on diversity in Independent Film, with a special emphasis on highlighting women and minority filmmakers. We showcase films from emerging filmmakers from around the world in all genres and seek to show our audience a dazzling array of entertaining cinematic content they would never have the opportunity to see otherwise.

ABOUT THE EVENT

AMONG THE 86 OFFICIAL SELECTIONS to be screened at Cinema Village in the heart of the East Village (22 East 12th Street, New York, NY 10003), is a diverse mixture of 12 documentaries, 34 shorts, 10 narrative features, 9 animations, 7 music videos, 9 horror films and 5 web series, including 8 student films, 36 female directors and representation from 26 countries. Visit www.WinterFilmAwards.com for schedules, tickets and details!

OPENING NIGHT for the 2016 Festival will take place February 18 8-11PM at THE ATTIC (251 W 48th St, New York, NY 10036) with a filmmaker's reception and kick-off party. **THE FESTIVITIES CONTINUE** February 18-26 with a full ten jam-packed days of film screenings, discussion panels, and networking events.

THE FESTIVAL WILL COME TO A CLOSE on the evening of February 26th with a glittering Awards Ceremony and after-party at Club 230Fifth (230 Fifth Ave, New York, NY 10001).

FESTIVAL FOUNDER GEORGE ISAACS says "*Emerging filmmakers are so often ignored in favor of the standard big budget generic action films, and filmmakers with limited budgets and lack of connections can be easily overlooked. Diverse, exciting low budget films are created all over the world; it is critical for local film festivals to showcase them. WFA's location in the center of the action provides our filmmakers with a dazzling chance to begin their careers in the film industry.*"

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CORPORATE & LOCAL SUPPORT

Corporate and local support of Winter Film Awards plays an critical role in the life of the Festival and underscores WFA's commitment to quality, adventure and diversity in the art of cinema. WFA is privileged to continue our collaboration with Gray Line New York, Ride of Fame, B&H Photo & Video, Video Blocks/ AudioBlocks/ GraphicStock, Sony Creative Software, Jungle Software, Cyberlink, Glidecam, JT Talent, Gotham Mini Storage, Museum of Sex the most stimulating museum in NY, PS Print quality and dependable online print services, Van Diemens NYC Restaurant & Bar, Yelp and Zacuto film rigs and ProductionHUB, Inc. an online marketplace for broadcast TV, motion picture, pro video, live event, corporate & digital media production.

NEW PARTNERS

WFA is delighted to welcome new partners Carmel Car & Limousine Service, the official car service of Winter Film Awards, NYC Post Group, Big Apple Con, Bliss Spa, CourseHorse.com, Distribber – get 100% of revenues. Keep all your rights. Submit once for all stores, Film Collaborative, IndiePix Films, Rhino Camera Gear, our exclusive ticketing partner Eventcombo, Women's Film Critic Circle (WFCC), Shake Share Media and Success with Teamwork.

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

WFA is grateful for the support of Prof. Charles Lowry's Marketing Class at Pace University, Prof. Viktor Koen's Class at School of Visual Arts, and Dr. George Priovolos' Public Relations Class at Iona College.

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