

# SEDONA INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2010 PROGRAMS

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## 16 To Life

USA | 2008 | 90 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Becky Smith

Executive Producer: Terry Trimpe

Producers: Becky Smith, Denise Mann

Writer: Becky Smith

Cast: Hallee Hirsh, Mandy Musgrave, Theresa Russell, Shiloh Fernandez, Jaime Gomez, Will Rothhaar, Emily Foxler, Nicholas Downs, Carson Kressley, Pamela Dunlap, Gabrielle McNally, Ryan Gourley, Brendan Dunphy, James Serpento, Mike Cornelison

*16 To Life's* Kate is a rural American teenager whose angst about her sexual inexperience drives a comic quest for love and understanding on a birthday to end all birthdays. This first feature from Emmy-nominated writer/director Becky Smith (*Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*) puts a wry, witty, and unpredictable ensemble cast in a small-town locale reminiscent of a Capra comedy. Kate is turning 16 and has never been kissed! Before the clock strikes midnight, she will learn more about love than most 16-year-olds can imagine and will discover what a 16-year-old American girl has in common with a 16-year-old Chinese girl half a world (and a cultural revolution), away. **L**

Preceded By:

## 20% Off

USA | 2009 | 13 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Chris Redish

Producer: L. Daisy Fields

Writer: Chris Redish

Cast: Larry Bagby, Jennifer Pfalzgraff, Tim Nichols, Cristen Irene, Cathy Rankin, Eleni Krimitsos, Vince Reign

A compulsive bargain hunter, whose life is filled with cheap crap, joins a dating agency. He can't resist the bargain dates, all of whom have something wrong with them! Can he overcome his compulsive cheapness? If he does, will it help him find true love?

Thu 25 Feb | 2:20pm | Prog 073

Harkins Theatre 5

Sat 27 Feb | 9:05am | Prog 132

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:43:00

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## The Adventures of Robin Hood

USA | 1937 | 102 min

Dramatic Feature

Directors: Michael Curtiz, William Keighley

Producers: Hal B. Wallis, Jack L. Warner

Writers: Norman Reilly Raine, Seton I. Miller

Cast: Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland, Claude Rains, Alan Hale

Robert Osborne hosts this 1938 Oscar®-winning classic. Robin of Locksley (Errol Flynn) runs afoul of King Richard's corrupt brother, Prince John and his ally, the Sheriff of Nottingham. He is forced to become an outlaw after accusing the

Prince of treason and takes refuge with his followers in Sherwood Forest. The Merry Men, as they come to be known, steal from the rich and give to the poor. Errol Flynn makes a dashing Robin Hood as he leads his men into one adventure after another, all the while finding time to woo the lovely Maid Marion, played by Olivia de Havilland. Other legends in the cast are Basil Rathbone as Sir Guy of Gisbourne and Claude Rains as Prince John. The entertainment factor is still huge in this rollicking film.

Wed 24 Feb | 4:50pm | Prog 044

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:42:00

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## After the Storm

USA | 2008 | 89 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Hilla Medalia

Producer: Hilla Medalia

Writer: Hilla Medalia

An exploration of the cultural landscape of New Orleans as seen through the eyes of teenage artists staging a musical. The film creates an entertaining storytelling experience that celebrates the spirit and culture of New Orleans after the storm and shows how art can be used as a tool for healing and growth. Filmmaker Hilla Medalia gently investigates the young actors' daily lives. Through their eyes, the film's audiences can view the recent history of New Orleans and Hurricane Katrina's impact.

Preceded By:

## To Comfort You

USA | 2009 | 15 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Marc Saltarelli

Executive Producer: Park Walkup

Producers: Marc Saltarelli, Barney Cheng

Writer: Tom O'Leary

Cast: Susan Blakely, Pauley Perrette

A daily phone call between Angela (golden globe winner Susan Blakely) and her lesbian daughter living with HIV/AIDS (Pauley Perrette NCIS) reveals some unexpected news.

Thu 25 Feb | 11:35am | Prog 066

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 7:15pm | Prog 156

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:44:00

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## Another Harvest Moon

USA | 2009 | 90 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Greg W. Swartz

Producers: Bobby Black, Chad Taylor, Jason Weiss

Writer: Jeremy T. Black

Cast: Ernest Borgnine, Piper Laurie, Anne Meara, Doris Roberts, Richard Schiff, Cybill Shepherd

A sensitive drama about four elderly Americans coping with life in a nursing home. Frank (Ernest Borgnine), Ella (Anne

Meara), Alice (Doris Roberts) and June (Piper Laurie) gather each morning for a game of cards. They have become like family to one another, offering unyielding support, constant bickering and strong opinions about life, death and everything in between. When Frank's relatives visit (Peter Schiff and Cybill Shepard), a fascinating conflict emerges between father and son regarding their views of war. With an all-star cast, compelling script and very real human issues, this film asks questions about life that eventually will be asked by us all.

Thu 25 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 086

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 4:45pm | Prog 150

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:30:00

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## Art & Copy

USA | 2009 | 89 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Doug Pray

Producers: Jimmy Greenway, Michael Nadeau

A revealing look at the work and wisdom of some of the most influential advertising creatives of our time. Exploding from advertising's "creative revolution" of the 1960s, these artists and writers brought a surprisingly rebellious spirit to their work in a business more often associated with mediocrity or manipulation. The advertising giants featured in Art & Copy were responsible for "Just Do It," "I Love NY," "Where's the Beef?", "Got Milk," "Think Different" and brilliant campaigns for everything from cars to presidents. TV satellites are launched, billboards are erected and the social and cultural impact of their ads is brought to light in this dynamic exploration of art, commerce, and human emotion.

Preceded By:

## Frequent Flyer

USA | 2009 | 21 min

Documentary Short

Director: Gabriel Leigh

Producer: Gabriel Leigh

Writer: Gabriel Leigh

A look at the world of frequent flyer miles and some of its most enthusiastic participants, this documentary examines how miles and points have become an important world currency and, in turn, an obsession for those who have figured out ways to earn them in the millions.

Tue 23 Feb | 3:50pm | Prog 016

Harkins Theatre 5

Thu 25 Feb | 2:25pm | Prog 074

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:50:00

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## Barking Water

USA | 2009 | 85 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Sterlin Harjo

Producer: Chad Burris

Writer: Sterlin Harjo

Featuring: Casey Camp-Horinek, Richard Ray Whitman, Jon Proudstar, Aaron Riggs, Marcus Frejo, Laura Spencer

Before Oklahoma was a red state, it was known as the Land of the Red People, described by the Choctaw phrase Okla Humma. In his second film, Sterlin Harjo takes viewers on a road trip through his own personal Oklahoma, which includes an eclectic mix of humanity. With steady and graceful performances by Richard Ray Whitman as Frankie and Casey Camp-Horinek as Irene, this story takes viewers for a ride in the backseat of Frankie and Irene's Indian car, listening to their past and the rhythmic soundtrack that sets the beat for a redemptive road journey. Harjo wraps us in the charm and love of Oklahoma through the people and places Irene and Frankie visit along the way. In this poignant film, Harjo claims his place as one of the more truthful and honest voices working in American cinema today. *Barking Water* is an expression of gratitude for the ability to have lived and loved.

Preceded By:

## **U**

USA | 2009 | 11 min

Documentary Short

Director: Sarah Del Seronde

Producers: Jacques Seronde Sarah Del Seronde, Paul Stoll

The waters and health of native and non-native communities near the Grand Canyon and across the Southwest have been contaminated by decades of uranium mining and milling. Today, thousands of new mining claims have been filed on the Colorado River watershed and directly threaten the water supplies of 25 million people, including downstream users in Las Vegas, Phoenix, Tucson, Los Angeles and San Diego. This short film begins a conversation to help us understand more about uranium--what we know about it, its effects on people, on water and how to protect ourselves, our sacred waters and lands and our future from any further harm from Uranium. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Tue 23 Feb | 1:05pm | Prog 010

Harkins Theatre 2

Sat 27 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 158

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:36:00

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## **Between the Folds**

USA | 2008 | 56 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Vanessa Gould

Producer: Vanessa Gould

Writer: Vanessa Gould

*Between the Folds* chronicles the stories of 10 fine artists, theoretical mathematicians and intrepid scientists from MIT and NASA who have abandoned conventional jobs and scoffed at hard-earned graduate degrees, all to forge lives as modern-day paper folders. As these offbeat and varied characters converge on the unusual medium of origami, they reinvent an ancient art, and illustrate the innumerable ways that creativity and ingenuity come to bear in the age-old effort to understand and honor the world around us. With beautiful cinematography, animation and an original score featuring the Budapest Symphony Orchestra, this award-winning film paints an arresting portrait of the mysterious artistic and scientific threads that fuel these remarkable minds, bringing forth a rich mix of sensibilities towards art, abstraction, science, creativity, and meaning.

Preceded By:

## **My Dog**

USA | 2009 | 52 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Mark St. Germain

Producers: Mark St. Germain, Daryl Roth

A look at the remarkable relationship between well-known personalities and the dogs in their lives. Filled with humor and heartwarming stories, this documentary takes us into the private world of public figures, revealing the extraordinary companionship, healing and love that dogs bring to those who care for them. *My Dog* celebrates the unconditional love shared and experienced by all who have bonded with them.

Thu 25 Feb | 11:50am | Prog 068

Harkins Theatre 5

Sat 27 Feb | 12:00pm | Prog 141

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Total running time: 1:48:00

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## **Bicycle Dreams**

USA | 2008 | 107 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Stephen Auerbach

Producer: Stephen Auerbach

This film presents a very exciting look at the extreme sport of marathon biking. In this race across America we see that biking is much more than a sport. It is a metaphor for how we choose to live our lives and the way we face inevitable challenges. **L**

Thu 25 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 059

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 2:30pm | Prog 147

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Total running time: 1:47:00

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## **Blood Into Wine**

USA | 2010 | 96 min

Documentary Feature

Directors: Ryan Page, Christopher Pomeranke

Producers: Chris "Topper" McDaniel, Ryan Page, Jason Stall, Christopher Pomeranke

Writers: Ryan Page, Christopher Pomeranke

Featuring: Maynard James Keenan, Eric Glomski, Milla Jovovich, Tim Heidecker, Eric Wareheim, Patton Oswalt, James Suckling, Tim Alexander, Marshall Trimble

Grammy-winner Maynard James Keenan is known as the front man for Tool, A Perfect Circle and Puscifer. In the mid-1990's, on a whim, this reclusive rock star left Los Angeles and moved to an Arizona ghost town (population 300). A wine enthusiast, Keenan began to envision a world-class wine region on the Verde Valley's craggy slopes, and with wine mentor Eric Glomski (former David Bruce winemaker and current owner of the award-winning Page Springs Cellars), Keenan began the long road to bring credibility and notoriety to Caduceus, Page Springs Cellars and Arizona Stronghold Vineyards amidst wine industry prejudice and the harsh Arizona terrain. Directors Ryan Page and Christopher Pomeranke take a look inside the life of one of rock music's most mysterious figures. **L**

Sun 21 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 003

Harkins Theatre 1

Sun 21 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 004

Harkins Theatre 2

Thu 25 Feb | 4:50pm | Prog 079

Harkins Theatre 5  
Total running time: 1:36:00

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## Bob and Jack's 52-Year Adventure

USA | 2008 | 41 min  
Documentary Feature  
Director: Stu Maddux  
Producer: Joseph Applebaum

In 1952 an Army sergeant was cornered and courted by his commanding officer. Their romance grew and then became too obvious. Rumors became anonymous tips to headquarters. They avoided court-martial by confronting the troops in their unit. That pivotal moment cemented Bob and Jack together for the rest of their lives. *Bob & Jack's 52-Year Adventure* is the true story of the kind of lifelong love we all hope for and the equal rights two men who are still in love will now need to survive.

Preceded By:

### Hide

USA | 2009 | 20 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Robert Shelby  
Executive Producer: Daamen Krall  
Writer: Robert Shelby  
Cast: Daamen Krall, David Zimmerman, Katy Kurtzman, Donna Forman, Richard Penn

*Hide* tells of the intimate relationship between two closeted gentlemen who share their true sexuality with each other. Trapped in marriages of convenience, they discover the consequences of what they may have to tell their wives and what the future might hold for their relationship. **L, S**

## You Can't Curry Love

USA | 2009 | 23 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Reid Waterer  
Producer: Reid Waterer  
Writer: Reid Waterer  
Cast: Ashwin Gore, Rakshak Sahni, G. Russell Reynolds, Upasana Beharee, Rajan Velu, William Vega

Westernized guy Vikas has been obsessing about his straight boss Thom for years, much to his best friend Amrita's displeasure. But when a business trip sends Vikas to New Delhi and he meets handsome Sunil, the desk clerk at his luxury hotel there, everything changes for him.

Tue 23 Feb | 6:25pm | Prog 021  
Harkins Theatre 6  
Fri 26 Feb | 11:45am | Prog 104  
Harkins Theatre 6  
Total running time: 1:24:00

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## Bomber

UK | 2009 | 85 min  
Dramatic Feature  
Director: Paul Cotter

Producers: Paul Cotter, Maureen Ryan  
Writer: Paul Cotter  
Cast: Shane Taylor, Benjamin Whitrow, Eileen Nicholas

A bittersweet comedy about love, family and dropping bombs on Germany. An 83 year-old man and his devoted wife return to Germany for a long planned journey of atonement. When Ross, his useless son agrees to drive him there, a nightmare family road trip ensues. **L**

Preceded By:

### **James Warwick**

USA | 2009 | 13 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Arthur Fishel

Producers: Arthur Fishel, Lorinne Turner

Writer: Arthur Fishel

Cast: Brett Davidson, Michael Kearns, Baxter Smith, Myes Cranford, Nicole Luther, Adam Smith, Emma Prescott, Albert Stroth, Bobby Reed, Jim Dowd, Willow Hale, Myes Cranford, Glenn Hoeffner, Baxter Smith (Voice)

Told from the perspective of a newspaper columnist writing a story, the life of James Warwick is told beginning with his return home from WWII, his relegation to a life as a garbage man and his evening baseball games. As the story progresses, the writer finds there is much more to this ordinary man, qualities which he comes to greatly admire.

### **Fate Scores**

Canada | 2008 | 12 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Albert M. Chan

Producer: Albert M. Chan

Writer: Albert M. Chan

Cast: Albert M. Chan, Heidi Rhodes, Mary Niederkorn, Jonathan Vittum, Angela Gunn, Brian D. Evans, Ben Katz, Kandace Cummings, Katarina Morhacova, Roxanne Y. Morse

*Fate Scores* explores themes of isolation, connection, and chance. In this very creative short we see characters going on with life's normal activities amidst often overlooked opportunities.

Fri 26 Feb | 7:00pm | Prog 119

Harkins Theatre 6

Sun 28 Feb | 11:45am | Prog 176

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:50:00

### **Brief Interviews with Hideous Men**

USA | 2009 | 80 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: John Krasinski

Producers: Eva Kolodner, Yael Melamede, James Suskin, John Krasinski

Writer: John Krasinski

Cast: Julianne Nicholson, Ben Shenkman, Timothy Hutton, Michael Cerveris, John Krasinski

Based on the book of the same title, this is a darkly funny and disturbing exploration of men and their complex relationships with women. John Krasinski, best known for playing the charming everyman, Jim Halpert, on *The Office* and Harley in *It's Complicated*, may seem an unlikely candidate to adapt and direct the late David Foster Wallace's

caustic exploration of the nature of men. However, he proves himself up to the challenge and delivers a provocative and darkly comedic film. **L, S**

Preceded By:

## **Horn Dog**

USA | 2009 | 5 min

Animation Short

Director: Bill Plympton

Producer: Biljana Labovic

Horn Dog is the fourth in the famed Oscar nominated "dog" series. In this episode he finds true love, which as usual, goes terribly wrong. **V**

## **3 Wheels**

China,Taiwan | 2009 | 17 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Tony Wei

Producers: Chung Lee, Mao-Shin Chiang

Writer: Chung Lee

Cast: Chung-Heng Chu, Cary Woodworth, Jia-Le Yan, Mao-Shin Chiang

When rickshaw driver Huang learns that the woman he secretly admires is leaving tropical Hainan Island on the last boat out, he must race to the harbor before love sets sail without him. Impeding his quest is an oversexed American whom Huang must chauffeur around for the entire day. **L**

Tue 23 Feb | 6:45pm | Prog 022

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Thu 25 Feb | 9:45pm | Prog 091

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:42:00

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## **Burma VJ**

Denmark | 2008 | 84 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Anders Østergaard

Producer: Lise Lense-Møller

Writers: Anders Østergaard, Jan Krogsgaard

Anders Østergaard's award-winning documentary offers a rare inside look into the 2007 uprising in Myanmar through the cameras of the independent journalist group, Democratic Voice of Burma. While 100,000 people (including thousands of Buddhist monks) took to the streets to protest the country's repressive regime that has held them hostage for over 40 years, foreign news crews were banned and internet access shut down. The Democratic Voice of Burma, a collective of approximately 30 anonymous and underground video journalists (VJs), recorded these historic and devastating events on handycams and smuggled the footage out of the country, where it was broadcast worldwide. Risking torture and life imprisonment, the VJs vividly document the brutal clashes with the military and undercover police even after they themselves become targets of the authorities. Short-listed for the Academy Award® for Best Documentary Feature. **V,L WARNING: DISTURBING IMAGES**

Preceded By:

## **Out of Infamy: Michi Nishiura Weglyn**

USA | 2009 | 18 min

Documentary Short

Co-Producers: Nancy Kapitanoff, Sharon Yamato

Featuring: Sandra Oh (Voice)

After eight years as the costume designer for the Perry Como Show, Michi Nishiura Weglyn (1926-1999) gave up a successful career in show business in the mid-1960s to write the book, *Years of Infamy: The Untold Story of America's Concentration Camps*. Providing factual evidence of governmental misconduct in the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II, the award-winning book, published in 1976, was hailed as the Bible of 20th-Century Japanese Americans. Using archival photographs, film and audio recordings of Weglyn, *Out of Infamy* paints a portrait of Weglyn's dynamic personality, which evolved from that of a California-born farm girl, through incarceration in the Gila River, Arizona, camp, to New York City sophisticate and finally, into the Rosa Parks of Japanese-Americans.

Tue 23 Feb | 1:00pm | Prog 009

Harkins Theatre 1

Thu 25 Feb | 7:20pm | Prog 083

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:42:00

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## Burning In the Sun

USA, Mali | 2009 | 82 min

Documentary Feature

Directors: Cambria Matlow, Morgan Robinson

Producers: Cambria Matlow, Morgan Robinson

Twenty-six-year-old charmer Daniel Dembele is equal parts West African and European and is looking to make his mark on the world. Seizing the moment at a crossroads in his life, Daniel decides to return to his homeland in Mali and start a local business building solar panels--the first of its kind in this sun-drenched nation. *Burning in the Sun* tells the story of Daniel's journey, how he grows his budding idea into a viable company and its impact on Daniel's first customers in the tiny village of Banko. Taking controversial stances on climate change, poverty, and African self-sufficiency, the film explores what it means to grow up and what it takes to prosper as a nation. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Sat 27 Feb | 12:00pm | Prog 142

Studio Live Theatre

Sun 28 Feb | 9:15am | Prog 170

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:22:00

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## Capitalism: A Love Story

USA | 2009 | 127 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Michael Moore

Producers: Michael Moore, Anne Moore

Writer: Michael Moore

On the 20-year anniversary of his groundbreaking masterpiece *Roger & Me*, Michael Moore's *Capitalism: A Love Story* comes home to the issue he has been examining throughout his career: the disastrous impact of corporate dominance on the everyday lives of Americans (and by default, the rest of the world). This time, the culprit is much bigger than General Motors, and the crime scene far wider than Flint, Michigan. From Middle America to the halls of power in Washington, to the global financial epicenter in Manhattan, Moore once again takes filmgoers into uncharted territory.

With both humor and outrage, Moore's *Capitalism* explores a taboo question: What is the price that America pays for its love of capitalism? This film is both a culmination of Moore's previous works and a look into what a more hopeful future could look like. It is Moore's ultimate quest to answer the question he's posed throughout his illustrious filmmaking career: Who are we and why do we behave the way that we do? **L**

Sat 27 Feb | 4:20pm | Prog 149

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 2:07:00

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## Caught in the Act

UK | 2008 | 92 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Matt Lipsey

Producer: Steven Spiers

Writers: Steven Spiers, Neil Salvage

Cast: Steven Spiers, Anthony O'Donnell, Mark Lewis Jones, Freddie Jones, John Weldon, Maxine Evans, Juliet Aubrey, Sarah Barrand, Ralph Brown, Ian Virgo, Judith Lewis, Maureen Lipman

A hilarious, heart-warming comedy about deceit and integrity, friendship and folly and the triumph of humanity over greed. Set in the beautiful Welsh valleys, the film tells the story of a corrupt parish council who have been awarded EU funds to pay for the cultural development of their town. Instead, they have used the money to fund a host of illicit activities. After a surprise visit from the EU Cultural Commissioner, they soon find themselves having to perform the unimaginable task of producing one of the great Shakespearean plays for the most important festival in the European cultural calendar. Scenes of great hilarity ensue as they attempt to produce "The Scottish Play" and perform it on stage in the EU Capital of Brussels for a particularly demanding audience of assorted European dignitaries. **S, L, N**

Preceded By:

## Streetcar

USA | 2009 | 13 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Frederick Weller

Writer: Frederick Weller

Cast: Holland Taylor, Frederick Weller, Mary McCormack

Claire, the star of a TV series, is unable to get an audition for an avant-garde theater director doing a production of *A Streetcar Named Desire*. She goes to great lengths to secure an audition, and learns a lot about herself along the way. **L**

Tue 23 Feb | 1:20pm | Prog 012

Harkins Theatre 6

Fri 26 Feb | 9:45pm | Prog 126

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:45:00

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## Crimes of the Past

USA | 2009 | 90 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Garrett Bennett

Producers: Victor Kepler, Steve Edmiston

Writer: Steve Edmiston

Cast: David Rasche, Elizebeth Rohm, Efic Roberts, Grant Goodeve, John Alyward, Chad Lindberg, Cynthia Geary, Grant

Goodeve

Academy Award®-nominee Eric Roberts (*The Dark Knight, Heroes*), David Rasche (*Burn After Reading, Flags of Our Fathers*), and Elisabeth Röhm (*Law & Order, The Mentalist*) star in this unique thriller about the deep devotion and repressed love that reunites a father and daughter following two decades of separation. Intelligent and intriguing, this film blends the world of international espionage with domestic devotion. *Crimes of the Past* uncovers mysteries in a thrilling and rare love story about the power of forgiveness.

SIFF showed a test screening of this film in November 2007 under its working title, *The Spy and the Sparrow*. Join us to see the critically acclaimed finished product. **V, L**

Wed 24 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 047

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Sat 27 Feb | 4:50pm | Prog 151

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:30:00

## Division Street

USA | 2009 | 56 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Eric Bendick

Producer: Eric Bendick

Writer: Eric Bendick

Featuring: Eric Bendick, Dawson Dunning, Luke Rice

Roads are the largest human artifact on the planet. They have fragmented wild landscapes, ushered in the "age of urban sprawl" and challenged our bedrock sense of community. *Division Street* chronicles the "green adventure of a lifetime"-- a quest to visit the most remote place from any road in the lower 48 states. Simultaneously, the film explores the fascinating concept of wildlife corridors, the potential for greening our highway system and the fusion of high-tech engineering with the best and brightest environmental research happening today. Shot in stunning locations throughout North America including Banff National Park, Glacier National Park, Yellowstone National Park and the Everglades. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Preceded By:

## Grocery Store Musical

USA | 2009 | 4 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Charlie Todd

Producer: Brendan Colthurst

Writers: Scott Brown, Anthony King

Cast: Ari Scott, Jonathan Fernandez, Michael Kayne, Sandy Rustin, Scott Brown, Corey Johnson

Six undercover actors burst into song in a grocery store in Queens. Three minutes and lots of silly choreography later, they returned to their roles as shoppers and stock boys. Filmed with hidden robotic, lipstick, and wearable cameras. Created by ImprovEverywhere.com

## Dive!

USA | 2009 | 45 min

Documentary Short

Director: Jeremy Seifert

Producer: Jeremy Seifert

Writer: Jeremy Seifert

Grocery stores around the country are filling their dumpsters with food. Not rotten, spoiled food, but billions of pounds of good, edible food. Why? Because the expiration date is nearing? Because it costs less to toss rather than donate? Whatever the answer, the contradiction is profound: good food is being thrown away and people are going hungry. Follow filmmaker Jeremy Seifert and his circle of friends as they "dumpster dive" in the back alleys and gated garbage receptacles of L.A.'s supermarkets. In the process they uncover thousands of dollars of discarded food and an ugly truth about waste in America: grocery stores know that they are wasting and most refuse to do anything about it.

**ENVIRONMENTAL**

Thu 25 Feb | 7:25pm | Prog 085

Harkins Theatre 6

Sat 27 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 129

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:44:58

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## **Do No Harm**

USA | 2009 | 56 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Rebecca Schanberg

Executive Producer: Daniel Alpert

Producer: Rebecca Schanberg

Co-Producer: Susanne Suffredin

Cast: Rebecca Schanberg (Voice)

*Do No Harm* tells the story of two reluctant whistleblowers in a small Georgia town who endure relentless attacks as they struggle to draw national attention to hospital corruption and the plight of the uninsured. In 2003, Dr. John Bagnato and accountant Charles Rehberg stumbled upon evidence that non-profit Phoebe Putney Hospital was overcharging uninsured and indigent patients and had stashed millions of dollars in offshore bank accounts. As Bagnato and Rehberg dig deeper, they find these practices not only at Phoebe, but at non-profit hospitals all around the country. Shockingly, this is all entirely legal. With their reputations and livelihoods on the line, Bagnato and Rehberg are forced to confront precisely what they're willing to sacrifice in an attempt to bring about justice.

Preceded By:

## **Luck**

USA | 2009 | 20 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Emily Warren

Producer: Emily Warren

Writer: Emily Warren

Cast: Alena Jutilla, Jim Clark, Dean Jutilla, Joe Washington, Craig Hartley, Greg Bronson, Jean Maissen, Randy J. Shams, Anita Pande

After losing her father, Nicole Kline sets forth on a path to find answers. Having lost everything, she writes a 'Dear God' letter, seeking comfort and relief, only to find her letter in the hands of a local postal worker. His simple offering of kindness was just the support she needed to turn her life around.

## **For the Life of Me**

USA | 2010 | 26 min

Documentary Short

Director: Jean Strauss

Producer: Jean Strauss

Writer: Jean Strauss  
Featuring: Jean Strauss (Voice)

What if you had to live your whole life without ever knowing who you were when you were born? What if you were never able to know your own name at birth, your medical history or your ancestry? What if you were told you had no right to know these things? Most adopted citizens in the U.S.--even those who are over fifty-- are not allowed to know their origins. *For the Life of Me* follows Dave, a 52 year old adoptee, as he embarks on a journey to reclaim his past.

Wed 24 Feb | 9:10am | Prog 029  
Harkins Theatre 5  
Fri 26 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 124  
Studio Live Theatre  
Total running time: 1:42:00

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## The Elephant in the Living Room

USA | 2009 | 103 min  
Documentary Feature  
Director: Michael Webber  
Producer: Michael Webber  
Writer: Michael Webber

Lions on freeways? Boa constrictors and pythons rampant in Florida? *The Elephant in the Living Room* is a film about the controversial world of exotic animal ownership within the suburbs of the United States and its unsettling consequences. This documentary offers an unprecedented glimpse into the fascinating subculture of raising the most deadly and exotic animals in the world as common household pets. **ENVIRONMENTAL , WARNING-DISTURBING IMAGES!**

Wed 24 Feb | 11:35am | Prog 032  
Harkins Theatre 1  
Fri 26 Feb | 2:30pm | Prog 111  
Sedona Rouge Theatre  
Total running time: 1:43:00

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## Forgetting Dad

Germany | 2008 | 84 min  
Documentary Feature  
Director: Rick Minnich  
Producer: Olaf Jacobs  
Writer: Rick Minnich  
Featuring: Rick Minnich (Voice)

One week after a seemingly harmless car accident, Richard Minnich--a California data processing executive and father of five--wakes up with total amnesia. He no longer recognizes his wife and children and has a great deal of difficulty with the simplest daily tasks. The doctors are baffled, as there is no evidence of brain damage or other physical causes. For the family, the event marks the beginning of a never ending nightmare. Was Richard really struck by a horrible affliction, or is he perhaps trying to escape from a life he can no longer lead?

Preceded By:

## The Fighting Kind

USA | 2009 | 21 min

## Dramatic Short

Director: Nils Taylor

Producer: Rachel Pearlman

Writer: Nils Taylor

Cast: Wayne Roberts, Mekenna Melvin, Sabrina Miller, Kevin Flood

Davin has been estranged from his family for years. He finally returns home in desperate need of financial help from his sister, his only living relative. During what is supposed to be a quick visit, he learns that his sister may need more help from him than he needs from her.

Wed 24 Feb | 4:55pm | Prog 045

Harkins Theatre 5

Sat 27 Feb | 11:45am | Prog 139

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:45:00

## Garbage Dreams

USA | 2009 | 79 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Mai Iskander

Executive Producer: Tiffany Schauer

Producer: Mai Iskander

Co-Producer: Kate Hirson

*Garbage Dreams* follows three teenage boys born into the trash trade in the world's largest garbage village, located on the outskirts of Cairo. It is the home to 60,000 Zaballeen, Arabic for "garbage people." Far ahead of any modern green initiatives, the Zaballeen survive by recycling 80 percent of the garbage they collect. When their community is suddenly faced with the globalization of its trade, each of the teenage boys is forced to make choices that will impact his future and the survival of his community. *Garbage Dreams* made the "short list" for this year's Best Documentary competition in the Academy Awards! **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Preceded By:

## Home Is Where You Find It

USA | 2009 | 27 min

Documentary Short

Director: Alcides Soares

Executive Producer: Holly Carter

Producers: Chris Zalla, Arthur Forney, Neal Baer, Richard Wolf, Malena Ruth, Peter Jankowski

Featuring: Alcides Soares

Alcides Soares is a sixteen-year-old AIDS orphan, one of half a million living in Mozambique today. An American television writer (Neal Baer) and movie director (Chris Zalla) gave Alcides a movie camera and taught him how to shoot. The result is a moving chronicle directed by Alcides himself. His journey to find a family and make a new life in a country that has been ravaged by AIDS, is a story repeated millions of times everyday throughout Africa.

Wed 24 Feb | 9:15am | Prog 030

Harkins Theatre 6

Fri 26 Feb | 2:20pm | Prog 110

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:46:00

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## The Ghost Mountain Experiment

USA | 2008 | 57 min

Documentary Feature

Director: John McDonald

Producer: John McDonald

Writer: Lydia McDonald

Featuring: Will Bigham (Voice), Sarah Fairfax (Voice)

This is the true story of the original hippie family. Obsessed with the dream of living a simple back-to-nature lifestyle, eccentric artist and author Marshal South flees civilization with his wife Tanya. For 17 years, they raise a family on a remote, waterless mountaintop as America reads all about them in a magazine.

Preceded By:

## Twenty Five Hundred & One

USA | 2009 | 47 min

Documentary Short

Director: Patricia van Ryker

Producers: Patricia van Ryker, Ron Colby

Writer: Patricia van Ryker

Featuring: Alejandro Santiago, Robert McDonald, Graciela Cervantes Bravo, Claudina Lopez Martinez, Adan Paredes, Panteleon Ruiz Martinez, Isabel Ramirez Santiago, Francisco Toledo

"I started thinking that I could go to my town to paint pictures, but I found out that my family and friends were gone." This film follows artist Alejandro Santiago from the inception of an ambitious project to commemorate migrants from around the world by sculpting 2500 and one human forms and placing them to face Alejandro's beloved village, Teocucuilco. It follows the project to its exhibition at the Forum Universal de las Culturas in Monterrey, Mexico, where for the first time, all 2500 and one were publicly presented. To quote Graciela Cervantes, his artist's representative in Oaxaca: "I told him he was crazy! But what Alejandro has dreamt, he has made reality." Alejandro's Migrants are a haunting reminder of the common problems we face, for in our global life, what affects one, affects all.

Tue 23 Feb | 4:00pm | Prog 017

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Thu 25 Feb | 9:15am | Prog 063

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:44:00

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## Gigante

Uruguay | 2008 | 84 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Adrián Biniez

Executive Producers: Agustina Chiarino, Fernando Epstein

Producers: Natacha Cervi, Christoph Friedel, Hernán Musaluppi, Frans van Gestel

Writer: Adrián Biniez

Cast: Horacio Camandule, Leonor Svarcas, Fernando Alonso, Diego Artucio, Ariel Caldarelli

Jara is a shy and lonely 35 year-old man who works as a supermarket security guard in a suburb of Montevideo. It's his job to keep an eye on the security cameras installed throughout the building, but he doesn't have a great deal to do because he works the graveyard shift. His life continues this way until Jara discovers Julia, a 25-year-old cleaning woman, through one of the cameras and is immediately attracted to her. At first he spends hour after hour in front of the security monitors watching her, but, before long he begins to follow her after work: to the cinema, the beach and even on a date with another man. Jara's life becomes a series of routines and rituals around Julia, but he eventually

finds himself at a crossroad and must decide whether to give up his obsession or confront it.

Preceded By:

## **Grande Drip**

USA | 2009 | 21 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Angelo Restaino

Producers: Greg Wilson, Ryan Cheevers, Emily Moss

Co-Producers: Josh AuFrance, Sharon Steinhauser

Writer: Angelo Restaino

Cast: Jamie Martz, Matt Walker, Velinda Godfrey, Mat Botuchis, Joel McCrary, Garry Marshall

*Grande Drip* tells the story of a straight-laced copy store manager who befriends an eccentric homeless man and how their friendship helps them both get what they want. Thanks to their unlikely friendship Eric's car and love life will never be the same...

Sun 21 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 001

Harkins Theatre 2

Wed 24 Feb | 2:20pm | Prog 039

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:45:00

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## **Grandpa is Dead**

Philippines | 2009 | 90 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Soxie H. Topacio

Producer: Antonio P. Tuviera

Writer: Soxie H. Topacio

What happens when a member of a family suddenly dies? What if the family of the deceased is not ready for the eventual passing away of their loved ones? How does one cope with the event? This is the story of the late Juanito Hernandez and his bereaved family. The comedy/drama that ensues gives us a unique Philippino look at grief, laughter, compassion, loss, and some very funny characters. This is the Philippines' official entry for the Best Foreign Language Film for the Academy Awards®.

Preceded By:

## **Qua**

Spain | 2009 | 9 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Andres Vidal Alarcon

Writer: Andres Vidal Alarcon

At the beginning of time, our world was a desert illuminated by two suns where mankind could barely keep alive and the night was unknown. One sun provides life, the other one provides sure death. Then, the change started.

Thu 25 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 080

Harkins Theatre 6

Sat 27 Feb | 9:50pm | Prog 163

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:39:15

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## The Greatest

USA | 2009 | 99 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Shana Feste

Producers: Lynette Howell, Beau St. Clair

Writer: Shana Feste

Cast: Susan Sarandon, Pierce Brosnan, Carey Mulligan (*An Education*), Aaron Johnson, Johnny Simmons

Susan Sarandon and Pierce Brosnan give two of their best performances as middle-aged parents whose lives are shattered when their oldest son is killed. This honest look at pain, grief and healing will grab you immediately. Sundance called this first feature film from writer/director Shana Feste "one of the standout works" of their festival, and said it is "as fine a debut as we can present." We think you'll agree.

Fri 26 Feb | 7:20pm | Prog 122

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 7:25pm | Prog 157

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:39:00

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## The Guru and the Gypsy

USA | 2010 | 85 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Philippe Caland

Producer: Philippe Caland

Writer: Philippe Caland

Cast: Devon Gummersall, Sarah Carter, Kevin J. Ryan, Betsy Clark, Philippe Caland

A thriller about a young spiritual leader who commits an accidental crime that will ruin his future and all the good he intends to do. His interaction with a gypsy is drastic, dramatic and ultimately enlightening. His poor choice in solving the problem opens a door to worse ones, and ultimately he finds the only way out is bearing up to the horrible responsibility for what has happened. **V, L**

Preceded By:

## The Tea Master

Canada | 2009 | 11 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Aaron Au

Executive Producers: Aaron Au, Kimani Ray Smith

Producers: Aaron Au, Loyd Bateman

Writer: Aaron Au

Cast: Colin Foo, Paul Wu, Byron Lawson

When an elderly man stumbles across a Samurai, he is challenged to a duel to the death after the Samurai sees that the elderly man possesses an Imperial Sword. The elderly man then meets a Sword Master and begs him to teach him the way of the sword. **V**

Wed 24 Feb | 9:20pm | Prog 055

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 154

Studio Live Theatre

Total running time: 1:36:00

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## Hachiko: A Dog's Story

USA | 2009 | 93 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Lasse Hallström

Producers: Richard Gere, Bill Johnson, Vicki Shigekuni Wong

Writers: Stephen P. Lindsey, Kaneto Shindō

Cast: Richard Gere, Joan Allen, Jason Alexander, Cary-Hiroyuki Tagawa, Sara Roemer

This heartwarming, moving true story is an American adaptation of a Japanese tale about a loyal dog named Hachiko. This very special friend accompanied his master to the train station every day and returned each afternoon to greet him after work. No obstacle prevented him from this daily ritual of devotion.....no obstacle. While he waits for his beloved Master, Hachiko touches the lives of many who work near and commute through the town square. He teaches the local people love, compassion, and above all, unyielding loyalty. Today, a bronze statue of Hachiko sits in his waiting spot outside the Shibuya station in Japan as a permanent reminder of his devotion and love. **FAMILY**

Wed 24 Feb | 4:25pm | Prog 043

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 7:10pm | Prog 155

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:33:00

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## Handsome Harry

USA | 2009 | 94 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Bette Gordon

Producers: Jamin O'Brien, Jamey Sheridan, Eric Goldman, Marilyn Haft

Writer: Nicholas T. Proferes

Cast: Jamey Sheridan, Steve Buscemi, Mariann Mayberry, Aidan Quinn, John Savage, Campbell Scott, Titus Welliver, Karen Young

"Handsome Harry Sweeney" (Jamey Sheridan) is a 52-year-old Navy veteran of the Vietnam War. One day, Harry gets a call from a former Navy buddy, Tom Kelly (Steve Buscemi) whom he hasn't seen in 30 years. Kelly, on his deathbed and terrified of going to Hell, convinces Harry to seek forgiveness from a long-ago betrayed comrade, David Kagan (Campbell Scott). Two mysteries gradually unfold: what really happened 30 years ago and what has it meant to Harry? How has it shaped his life ever since? Only by confronting both the past and David himself can Harry begin to live again. **S, N, L, V**

Preceded By:

## Dockweiler

USA | 2008 | 15 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Nick Palmer

Producer: Jay Reid

Writer: Nick Palmer

Cast: Tony Todd, Keith Burke, Jay Jones, Joel Roman

Tension builds to a boil in the sweltering heat of Dockweiler Beach. The Duke, an ex-con who heads up maintenance, sees himself as a savior to the men he hires fresh out of prison. But the arrival of a new employee brings with it hostility and violence that force The Duke to confront old demons and his shocking past. **L, V**

Fri 26 Feb | 2:00pm | Prog 107  
Harkins Theatre 2  
Sat 27 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 153  
Sedona Rouge Theatre  
Total running time: 1:49:00

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## In the Loop

UK | 2009 | 106 min  
Dramatic Feature  
Director: Armando Iannucci  
Producers: Kevin Loader, Adam Tandy  
Writers: Jesse Armstrong, Simon Blackwell, Armando Iannucci, Tony Roche  
Cast: James Gandolfini, Mimi Kennedy, Tom Hollander, Peter Capaldi, Anna Chlumsky, Chris Addison

A smart comedy and Sundance Film Festival hit from the acclaimed team who created the award-winning BBC-TV comedy series *Alan Partridge* and *The Thick of It*. A bumbling British government minister (Tom Hollander) makes a verbal snafu during a TV interview, inadvertently backing a U.S. war in the Middle East. The Prime Minister's venomous communications chief (Peter Capaldi) attempts damage control as tensions quickly escalate on both sides of the pond. Soon the Brits are in Washington, where a U.S. General (James Gandolfini) thinks war is a crazy idea and the beleaguered U.S. Assistant Secretary for Diplomacy (Mimi Kennedy) scrambles to infiltrate the elusive and very hawkish War Committee. This is a crackling, fast-talking political satire showcasing some of the most rollicking wordplay since the heyday of screwball comedy. **S,V,L**

Tue 23 Feb | 9:15pm | Prog 026  
Harkins Theatre 2  
Thu 25 Feb | 10:00pm | Prog 094  
Harkins Theatre 2  
Total running time: 1:46:00

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## In/Significant Others

USA | 2009 | 99 min  
Dramatic Feature  
Director: John Schwert  
Producer: John Schwert  
Co-Producer: Jason King  
Writer: John Schwert  
Cast: Burgess Jenkins, Tiffany Montgomery, Andrea Powell, Brian Lafontaine, Mark Scarboro, Brett Gentile, Scott Miles, Carver Johns, Calvin Walton, David Sherrill, R Keith Harris, Jeremy Decarlos, Aerli Austen, Gretchen McGinty, Ashlee Payne

A follow-up to the festival hit *Among Brothers*, John Schwert's second feature is a multi-narrative drama that navigates through the different lives of one city's residents, each of whom is connected to the same local homicide investigation. The search for truth becomes a life-and-death struggle as the subtle manipulation of all relationships is exposed. **L, V**

Preceded By:

## Banana Bread

USA | 2009 | 9 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Barton Landsman  
Producer: Dina Oberley

Writer: Barton Landsman

Cast: John Livingston, Deena Freeman, Robert Silver, Chadrian McKnight, Michael Evanet, Rad Daly, Mark Robinson, Dominic Bernacchi, Sam Carson, Joe Mitchell, Chris MacEwan, Daniel O'Meara, Gary Blankenhorn, Anthony Bertram, Erik Rondell, Mark Rayner

Matt Meyerson is having coffee at his parent's house. Even though he's a grown man, Matt's mother, Phyllis, always worries about him and offers motherly advice. The movie reveals an ironic juxtaposition when we see what Matt does for a living! **V**

Thu 25 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 087

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Sat 27 Feb | 9:30pm | Prog 161

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:48:00

## **Kimjongilia**

USA, France, South Korea | 2009 | 74 min

Documentary Feature

Director: N.C. Heikin

Producers: NC Heikin, Robert Pepin, Young-sun Cho, David Novack

For sixty years, North Koreans have been governed by a totalitarian regime that controls all information entering and leaving the country. A cult of personality surrounds its two recent leaders: Kim Il Sung, and now his son, Kim Jong II. For Kim Jong II's 46th birthday, a hybrid red begonia named Kimjongilia was created, symbolizing wisdom, love, justice, and peace. The film draws its name from the rarefied flower and reveals the extraordinary stories told by survivors of North Korea's vast prison camps--stories of devastating famine and of every kind of repression. Their experiences are interspersed with archival footage of North Korean propaganda films and original scenes that illuminate the contours of daily life for a people whose every action is monitored and whose every thought could bring official retribution. *Kimjongilia* examines the mass illusion possible under totalitarianism and the human rights abuses required to maintain that illusion. **V**

Preceded By:

## **Ana's Playground**

USA | 2009 | 23 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Eric D. Howell

Producers: Marsha Trainer, Jillian Nodland

Writer: Eric D. Howell

*Ana's Playground* depicts just another day for children surrounded by armed conflict. When Ana is forced into a sniper zone to retrieve a soccer ball, she finds herself in a game of cat-and-mouse with a mysterious shooter. As their interaction comes to a head, she and her friends make the ultimate decision, showing that a moment of humanity can quickly be lost in an environment of war and violence. **V**

Fri 26 Feb | 2:05pm | Prog 108

Harkins Theatre 6

Sun 28 Feb | 9:10am | Prog 169

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:37:00

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## Leave Her to Heaven

USA | 1945 | 110 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: John Stahl

Producer: William A. Bacher

Writer: Jo Swerling

Cast: Gene Tierney, Cornel Wilde, Jeanne Crain, Vincent Price, Mary Philips

Robert Osborne hosts this 1946 Oscar®-winning classic. Richard Harland (Cornel Wilde), a young writer, meets a beautiful woman, Ellen (Gene Tierney), on a train. She sweeps him off his feet with the force of her love but he does not understand how obsessive her love actually is. They fall in love and marry. Richard gradually comes to realize that his wife is insane with jealousy. His writing, her family and his family are all objects of her jealousy. She will go to any length to have him to herself--with consequences that he does not understand until it's too late. The film also stars Vincent Price. **V**

Fri 26 Feb | 4:35pm | Prog 114

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:50:00

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## Lion's Den

Argentina | 2008 | 113 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Pablo Trapero

Executive Producer: Martina Gusman

Producers: Pablo Trpero, Youngjoo Suh

Co-Producers: Pablo Trpero, Youngjoo Suh

Writers: Alejandro Fadel, Martin Mauregui, Santiago Mitre, Pablo Trapero

Cast: Martina Gusman, Elli Medeiros, Rodrigo Santoro, Laura García

After Julia is sent to the penitentiary for the murder of her lover, she gives birth to a son. Bringing up a child in prison is difficult, but Julia understands that there is no life for her beyond that of her child. Her fellow inmate, Marta, becomes her ally; her mother Sofía, her opponent. One attempts to teach her how to be a mother to her child in the least appropriate place; the other wishes to take over rearing her child, so that he grows up outside prison, in freedom. The duel between Julia and her mother confronts the dilemma of what is better for the child: to be brought up next to his mother in prison, or without her, in freedom. *Lion's Den* has won 17 international awards. **V, L, S**

Tue 23 Feb | 3:45pm | Prog 015

Harkins Theatre 6

Thu 25 Feb | 9:55pm | Prog 093

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:53:00

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## Made In China

USA | 2008 | 87 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Judi Krant

Executive Producer: Monnie Wills

Producers: James Choi, Bronwyn Cornelias

Cast: Jackson Keuhn, Dan Sumpter, Syna Zang, Deng Jeng

Whoopie cushions, rubber chickens, pet rocks, slinkys...behind each of those great novelties is the story of a great novelty inventor. This is the story of one such inventor. Johnson, a 20-something, self-styled "novelty inventor," is determined to bring the world his big little idea. When his pitch falls flat at home, he realizes there is only one logical place to turn: China. From cosmopolitan night clubs, to ancient gardens and teeming market streets, Shanghai is a puzzle that Johnson must unravel if he is to succeed. With determination, inspiration and hard work, Johnson just might finally realize the American dream. A dream that can only be... made in China. **L**

Preceded By:

## **True Beauty This Night**

USA | 2009 | 10 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Peter Besson

Producers: Stephen Sweeney, Tom Sweeney

Writer: Peter Besson

Cast: Dustin Seavey, Meegan Michelle

Rhett Somers, so far scraping by on good luck or just plain old ignorance, met the love of his life last night. He's sure of it. She doesn't know. Now the only thing left to do is convince her that she's the one. Not an easy feat considering how they met.

Tue 23 Feb | 8:40pm | Prog 024

Harkins Theatre 6

Fri 26 Feb | 11:35am | Prog 102

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:37:00

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## **The Magistical**

USA | 2008 | 99 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Rebecca Jones

Producer: Jim Woodcock

Writer: John Cernak

Cast: Stanley Bernstein, Ray Collins, Debra Terry, Beth Bostic, Lee Strickland, Ashley Summerrow, Gene Johnson, Chirie Dautel, Betsy Hamilton, Derek Cernak

This masterpiece of animated images tells a whimsical tale. Once upon a time a guardian was chosen to watch over all living things. She was called the Magistical. Hoping to preserve all precious life, the Magistical created a spell. This spell granted immortality to the last of every type of creature. To one very evil Draken, the spell carries a very different meaning. By killing all other Drakens, she would become the last. Without fear of death, such a beast could rule the world. Now only one baby cub stands between her and her evil ambitions. And between them stands a small but determined obstacle named Foible. **FAMILY**

Preceded By:

## **JET (Junior Extra-Terrestrial)**

USA | 2009 | 4 min

Animation Short

Director: V. 'dr.sassi' Sassmannshausen

Producer: V. 'dr.sassi' Sassmannshausen

Writer: V. 'dr.sassi' Sassmannshausen

Cast: JET Junior Extraterrestrial

JET arrives, with his family, on planet Earth. JET is a happy young spaceship, with a lot of energy. *JET(Junior Extra-Terrestrial)* is a movie about different cultures, being open to and finding the language of the heart. Staying in communication is the practical wonder that we all need, every day. **FAMILY**

Wed 24 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 027  
Harkins Theatre 1  
Sat 27 Feb | 9:10am | Prog 133  
Harkins Theatre 5  
Total running time: 1:43:00

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## A Matter of Size

Israel | 2009 | 92 min

Dramatic Feature

Directors: Sharon Maymon, Erez Tadmor

Producers: Chilik Michaeli, Avraham Pirchi, Tami Leon, Oliver Simon, Daniel Baur

Co-Producers: Chilik Michaeli, Avraham Pirchi, Tami Leon, Oliver Simon, Daniel Baur

Writers: Sharon Maymon, Danny Cohen-Solal

Cast: Itzik Cohen, Irit Kaplan, Dvir Benedek, Alon Dahan, Shmulik Cohen, Togo Igawa, Evelin Hagoel

Four overweight friends from the Israeli city of Ramle are fed up with dieting and the dieting club they belong to. When Herzl (340 lbs) loses his job as a cook and starts working as a dishwasher in a Japanese restaurant in Ramle, he discovers the world of Sumo where large people such as himself are honored and appreciated. Through Kitano (132 lbs), the restaurant owner, a former Sumo coach in Japan (who is supposedly hiding from the Yakuza in Israel), he falls in love with a sport involving "two fatsos in diapers and girly hairdos." *A Matter of Size* is a comedy about a coming out of a different kind--overweight people learning to accept themselves.

Preceded By:

## Poi Dogs

USA | 2009 | 12 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Joel Moffett

Producer: Joel Moffett

Writer: Joel Moffett

Cast: Toa Smith, Anela Manu

*Poi Dogs* is the story of two local Hawaii teenagers and their awkward attempts at expressing a budding romantic interest in each other. The film charmingly captures innocence amidst the atmosphere of Hawaii's aging sugar factories.

Wed 24 Feb | 2:15pm | Prog 038  
Harkins Theatre 2  
Sat 27 Feb | 11:50am | Prog 140  
Harkins Theatre 6  
Total running time: 1:44:00

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## Misconceptions

USA | 2008 | 95 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Ron Satlof

Executive Producers: Ted Perkins, Ed Arenas, J. A. Bremont

Producers: Ron Satlof, Ira Pearlstein

Cast: Orlando Jones, A.J. Cook, Sarah Carter, David Sutcliffe, David Moscow, Sam Ball, Tom Bower

Miranda Bliss, an evangelical Christian, runs Fishes and Loaves Christian Catering with her sister Lucy Dexter, in rural Coover Corners, Georgia. After seeing a documentary on TV, Miranda gets a message from the Lord, telling her to become a surrogate mother for the married gay couple from Boston who were the subject of a TV program. Miranda meets the gay couple and decides she will be the surrogate mother. After Miranda is back home and pregnant in Coover Corners, complications and all hell break loose in this delightful comedy/drama. **L**

Preceded By:

## **The Kinda Sutra**

USA | 2009 | 8 min

Documentary Short

Director: Jessica Yu

Producers: Anne Clements, Patrick Degan

Featuring: Archie Archambo, Johnny Chavez, Jason Stuart, Noel Thurman

A hybrid documentary short that explores the eternal question: where do babies come from?" A diverse collection of people, from kids to seniors, reveal misconceptions about conception. *Kama Sutra*-inspired animation brings these theories to life, highlighting the universal confusion about sex and what it actually takes to make one of us. **L**

Wed 24 Feb | 9:50pm | Prog 056

Harkins Theatre 2

Fri 26 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 117

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Total running time: 1:43:00

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## **Mount St. Elias**

Austria, USA | 2009 | 100 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Gerald Salmina

Producer: Gerald Salmina

Cast: Axel Naglich

This is the story of four very different characters, three of them men, one a mountain. This is a dramatic and awe-inspiring feature documentary that follows three of the world's greatest ski mountaineers to Mount St Elias as we watch their attempt to make the longest ski descent in the world. Set against the backdrop of Alaska's dangerous beauty, these men encounter situations which can only be mastered if rationality is abandoned. *Mount St. Elias* is a movie that shows why it is the mountain that unites lethal danger and delirious happiness. **L**

Wed 24 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 046

Harkins Theatre 6

Fri 26 Feb | 9:05am | Prog 097

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:40:00

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## **My Year Without Sex**

Australia | 2009 | 96 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Sarah Watt

Producer: Bridget Ikin

Writer: Sarah Watt

Cast: Sacha Horler, Matt Day, Jonathan Segat, Portia Bradley

This is a love story about a family dealing with all the big questions and even more of the small ones. Set over one messy year, Ross and Natalie and their two kids, Louis and Ruby, navigate nits, faith, Christmas, job insecurity, football practice, more nits and whether they will ever have sex again. This film is a wry look at twelve months in the life of a family while overcoming some major obstacles. **L**

Preceded By:

### **Insalata Caprese**

USA | 2009 | 13 min

Short

Director: Jesse Roesler

Writer: Jesse Roesler

Cast: Matthew Amendt, Valeri Mudek, Barbara June Patterson

Jacob and Caitlin are collectors of people. Jacob collects them in candid photographs and Caitlin collects them by sketching their likenesses in chalk. They have been secretly watching each other every week at the farmers' market as they create their work. Every week they dream of making a connection and yet every week Jacob tries, but ultimately shies away from approaching Caitlin at the very last moment. When Adelpha, an elderly tomato seller and friend, starts giving them both knowing advice and nudges them towards taking a risk, Jacob and Caitlin will have to decide if they are ready to take that first monumental step. *Insalata Caprese* is all about one of life's simplest yet greatest questions, "What if?"

Wed 24 Feb | 9:55pm | Prog 057

Harkins Theatre 5

Fri 26 Feb | 9:50pm | Prog 127

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:49:00

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### **The Other Bank**

Georgia, Kazakhstan | 2009 | 90 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: George Ovashvili

Producers: Sain Gabdullin, George Avashvili

Writer: Nugzar Shataidze

Cast: Tedo Bekhauri, Galoba Gambaria, Nika Alajajev, Tamara Meskhi

In 1991, following the breakup of the Soviet Union, the northwest region of the Republic of Georgia called Abkhazia fell under a series of attacks by Russian-backed separatists who engaged in the systematic killing of Georgian men and the assault and rape of Georgian women and children. Tens of thousands fled the region, becoming, in UN terms, "internally displaced." An Abkhazian man, fearing for his family's safety, sends his Georgian wife and young son to Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia. Once back in Tbilisi, the young boy grows apart from his mother. Young Tedo decides to return to Abkhazia to find his father. His challenges, as he makes his way back to the war-torn region of Abkhazia, are enormous. The young actor playing Tedo is outstanding. *The Other Bank* is the Republic of Georgia's official entry for the Best Foreign Language Film for the Academy Awards®. **V, L**

Preceded By:

### **Kavi**

India, USA | 2009 | 18 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Gregg Helvey  
Producers: Gregg Helvey, Guneet Monga, Harish Amin  
Writer: Gregg Helvey  
Cast: Sagar Salunke

A boy in India wants to escape from the brick kiln where he is forced to work as a modern-day slave. Winner of a 2009 Student Academy Award from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. **V**

Wed 24 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 052  
Harkins Theatre 6  
Fri 26 Feb | 11:30am | Prog 101  
Harkins Theatre 5  
Total running time: 1:48:00

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## **Paddle to Seattle: Journey through the Inside Passage**

Canada, USA | 2009 | 86 min  
Documentary Feature  
Directors: Josh Thomas, J.J. Kelley  
Producers: J.J. Kelley, Josh Thomas, Ben Gottfried

*Paddle to Seattle* is a feature documentary chronicling the progress of two intrepid adventurers paddling handmade wooden kayaks from Alaska to Seattle. The Inside Passage encompasses an enormous chain of islands that constitute North America's only rainforest--stretching 1,300-miles from Alaska to Northern Washington. Encounters with grizzly bears are not uncommon and rain can fall for two weeks without pause. Rich biodiversity makes room for surreal encounters with unexpected marine life. The film presents interviews with peoples of the region and a sense of humor provides genuine insights into the experience of two adventurers. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Preceded By:

## **Bicycle (Jitensha)**

Japan, USA | 2009 | 22 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Dean Yamada  
Producers: Austin Fiones, Jadon Gauthier, Paul Nethercott, Yu Shibuya  
Writer: Yu Shibuya  
Cast: Yugo Saso, Masayuki Yui

*Jitensha (Bicycle)* is a story about Mamoru Amagaya, a young man struggling to find meaning in life. His bicycle begins to disappear one piece at a time. As he puts his bike together piece by piece, he realizes that he himself is in the process of being reassembled in the same way, by one far greater than himself.

Fri 26 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 095  
Harkins Theatre 1  
Sun 28 Feb | 11:40am | Prog 175  
Harkins Theatre 5  
Total running time: 1:48:00

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## **Patrik, Age 1.5**

Sweden | 2008 | 98 min  
Dramatic Feature  
Director: Ella Lemhagen

Producer: Tomas Michaelsson

Writer: Ella Lemhagen

Cast: Gustaf Skarsgard, Torkel Petersson, Thomas Ljungman

G^ran always wanted to become a father. He is married to his partner, Sven, and they have been cleared for adoption by the Swedish authorities. The problem is that no country seems to be willing to give a child to a homosexual couple. G^ran refuses to give up his dream of having what so many others take for granted: a real family. G^ran and Sven receive a letter with an offer from the social services to take care of "Patrik, age 1.5," a Swedish child who needs a new family. They happily accept the offer and prepare the nursery for the baby's arrival. A surprise awaits them as they answer the doorbell.

Preceded By:

## Rain Rain

USA | 2009 | 11 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Matthew Brown

Executive Producer: Alan Fischer

Producer: Jason Shoup

Writer: Matthew Brown

Cast: Madison White, Katie Barnes, Chris Forsyth

All Ginny Nallion wants to do is go outside and play, away from her Mom and Dad's house where everything is "hands off, Ginny!!" But when an afternoon shower ruins her only means of escape (and outlet for her mischievous tendencies), Ginny's self control gets the better of her and she begins to open doors she shouldn't, discovering a family secret that turns out best kept from her. *Rain, Rain* is a fun, magical and reminiscent story of what could have been just an ordinary afternoon.

Wed 24 Feb | 11:30am | Prog 031

Harkins Theatre 2

Fri 26 Feb | 7:05pm | Prog 120

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:49:00

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## Pearl

USA | 2009 | 77 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: King Hollis

Producer: David Rennke

Writers: Donna Carlton, Donna Carlton

Cast: Elijah N. DeJesus, Andrew Sensenig, Angela Gair, Tom Huston Orr, Sean Cain, Paden Brown, Cameron Rostami, Isabel Archuleta, Elijah N. DeJesus (Voice)

*Pearl* is the true story of a spirited Chickasaw daredevil whose young life in 1928 rural Oklahoma suddenly changes one Sunday afternoon. The soon-to-become famous Wiley Post lands his plane in her father's field, and a brief joyride through the clouds ignites the girl's passion for flight. Soon, the 12-year-old sits at the controls of a brand new Curtiss-Robin. Pearl continues to pursue her dream against the backdrop of the deepening Depression and catastrophic Dust Bowl. Pearl comes of age and finds love, which sends her priorities into a tailspin. Then, as a young wife and mother, her two greatest passions collide, her closest relationships are jeopardized, and the thrill-seeking daredevil comes face to face with reality. **FAMILY**

Preceded By:

## Magellan

USA | 2009 | 19 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Sebastian Davis

Writer: Sebastian Davis

Cast: Christopher Hobgood, Destiny West, John Ammerman

*Magellan* is a coming-of-age tale about the perils of adolescence, set against the stark industrial backdrop of old-downtown Atlanta. Our hero, Magellan, is a scrawny compulsive liar and the outcast of the 7th grade. Tiana a beautiful and popular African-American girl in the same grade, shares his walking route. Though Tiana would never be caught dead hanging out with Magellan at school, they develop an unlikely friendship during their daily commute together.

### **FAMILY**

Wed 24 Feb | 9:05am | Prog 028

Harkins Theatre 2

Sun 28 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 165

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:36:00

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## A Place in the Sun

USA | 1951 | 122 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: George Stevens

Producers: George Stevens, Ivan Moffat

Writers: Michael Wilson, Harry Brown

Cast: Montgomery Clift, Elizabeth Taylor, Shelley Winters, Raymond Burr, Herbert Heyes

Robert Osborne hosts this 1952 Hollywood classic which garnered six Academy Awards®.

George Eastman, (Montgomery Clift) working a blue collar job in a family-owned factory, falls in love with Alice Tripp (Shelley Winters). All seems well for the couple until George is completely smitten by the gorgeous Angela Vickers (Elizabeth Taylor). The film explores the complexities of love and America's class system in a haunting and compelling way.

Thu 25 Feb | 4:35pm | Prog 077

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 2:02:00

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## PoliWood

USA | 2009 | 90 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Barry Levinson

Producers: Robert Baruc, Robin Bronk, Tim Daly, Jason Sosnoff

Legendary Academy Award® and Emmy-winning director Barry Levinson sets out to explore the collision and collusion between politics and Hollywood. The film gives the viewer a front-row seat and backroom access to the most significant presidential campaign of the 21st century. Featuring interviews with high-profile celebrities (including Tim Daly, Richard Schiff, Anne Hathaway, Ellyn Burstyn, Susan Sarandon, Annette Benning, Spike Lee and Sting) and powerful political figures, *PoliWood* gives insider access to the influence Hollywood has over today's political process as we discover the thin line between politician and actor, news and entertainment, policy and tabloid. Trailing a number of politically active actors, writers, directors, and musicians, this documentary is sure to spark debate about the role media and celebrities

should have in modern-day politics.

Preceded By:

## **Slap**

USA | 2009 | 8 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Grant Barbeito

Executive Producer: Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough

Writer: Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough

Cast: Clancy Brown, Mel Rodriguez

In a garage somewhere in America, two regular guys named Joe and Ralph work on cars. They take a break at noon. They sit across from each other at a small table to have a very lively and unique discussion. **L**

Wed 24 Feb | 7:20pm | Prog 050

Harkins Theatre 2

Sat 27 Feb | 2:15pm | Prog 144

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:38:00

## **Radio Free Albemuth**

USA | 2009 | 114 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: John Alan Simon

Executive Producer: Philip Kim

Producers: John Alan Simon, Dale Rosenbloom, Stephen Nemeth

Writer: John Alan Simon

Cast: Jonathan Scarfe, Shea Whigham, Alanis Morissette, Katheryn Winnick, Scott Wilson, Hanna Hall, Frank Collison, Ashley Greene, Rosemary Harris (Voice)

SNEAK PREVIEW/WORK IN PROGRESS: Philip K. Dick's most prophetic, controversial and autobiographical novel was withheld from publication until after his death. Dick made himself a major character in this story that weaves together his life, conspiracy theories and trademark metaphysical speculations about the nature of reality. Previous movies made from Dick's works include *Blade Runner*, *Total Recall*, *Minority Report* and *A Scanner Darkly*. **L, V**

Thu 25 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 088

Studio Live Theatre

Sat 27 Feb | 9:55pm | Prog 164

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:54:00

## **Raspberry Magic**

USA | 2009 | 88 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Leena Pendharkar

Producer: Megha Kadakia

Writer: Leena Pendharkar

Cast: Meera Simhan, Ravi Kapoor, Lily Javaherpour, Keya Shah, Alison Brie, Bella Thorne, James Morrison, Maulik Pancholy, Randall Batinkoff, Zach Mills, Marcy Goldman, David Alan Graf, Eric Scott Cooper, Malia Mathis, Sean Nepita, Andy Gates Freeman, Colter Alison, Gary Lonnell

*Raspberry Magic* is a coming-of-age drama about one the most profound human relationships we have--that with our family. At the center of this story is Monica Shah, a caring, smart and determined 11-year-old girl who believes she can solve any problem, even if it's managing her parents' crumbling marriage. But what Monica doesn't understand is that there are some things she just can't fix. This is a story about the delicate nature of the human relationships and the complex web of emotions that tie us together. **FAMILY**

Preceded By:

## **She's a Fox**

USA | 2009 | 18 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Cameron Sawyer

Executive Producer: Ashley Zastrow

Writer: Cameron Sawyer

Cast: Jake Nutty, Hailee Steinfeld, Troy Romzek, Anthony Matthew Scott, Cameron Sawyer, Stephanie Drapeau, Erin Sossamon, Tyler Brazil, Todd Mitchell, Doug Wood, Lou Milford, George Dickson, David Chandler, Rya Meyers, Dylan Custard, Trevor Gilmore, Chad Gleason, Tatyanna Cormier, Sophia Linkletter, Tyler Cruz, Hayden Menard, Lilly Petruzzi, Emmerson Lopez, Cheri Steinfeld, Michele Nutty, Bridgette Briggs, Eli Makhoul, Hailey Wassilew, Hannah Wassilew

It's 1987 and sixth grader, Cameron, wants desperately to make Talia his girlfriend. Three things stand in his way: Mitch Fallin, Jake Magnum and a mullet. **FAMILY**

Fri 26 Feb | 2:10pm | Prog 109

Harkins Theatre 5

Sun 28 Feb | 9:05am | Prog 167

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:46:00

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## **The Red Machine**

USA | 2009 | 84 min

Dramatic Feature

Directors: Stephanie Argy, Alec Boehm

Producer: Ken Cortland

Cast: Lee Perkins, Donal Thoms-Cappello, David Ross Paterson, Mo Byrnes, Meg Brogan, Roger Ainslie Bryan Larkin, Eddie Lee, Madoka Kasahara

An old-fashioned caper adventure set in pre-World War II Washington DC, *The Red Machine* is the tale of a charming and irrepressible young thief who is forced to help an icy and mysterious United States Navy spy steal a brand new device that the Japanese military is using to encode its top-secret messages. During the mission, which is complicated by the spy's dark past in Tokyo, the two discover that they are pawns in a larger game. Together, they devise an intricate but risky scheme to outwit the people trying to use them. **L**

Preceded By:

## **Daughters**

China, USA | 2009 | 10 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Chloé Zhao

Producers: Chloé Zhao, Edward McDonald

Writer: Chloé Zhao

Cast: Qian Luo,

*Daughters* tells the story of Maple, a 14-year old girl living in rural China. Desperately wanting a son, Maple's family

forces her into an arranged marriage with an older man. Quiet and stubborn, Maple soon takes a dangerous path to free herself.

Tue 23 Feb | 6:05pm | Prog 018

Harkins Theatre 5

Thu 25 Feb | 2:05pm | Prog 071

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:34:00

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## **Rising: The Art of John Waddell**

USA | 2010 | 58 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Marlo Bendau

Writers: Marlo Bendau, Amy Waddell

John Henry Waddell is an Arizona-based artist who has been sculpting life-size bronze figures for over 50 years. At the age of 87, he is finishing 'Rising,' a 28-figure bronze relief, spanning a 50-foot-high wall. This stunning work asserts the magical and primary connection between individuals in the dance of life and is the culmination of John's life work. As told through a dozen models who have posed for him, including the filmmaker, *Rising* is the story of Waddell's life and work. Intimate glimpses into the artist-model exchange reveal the sculptor's inspiration for capturing "the beauty of individual difference." **N**

Sun 21 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 002

Harkins Theatre 2

Sun 28 Feb | 11:25am | Prog 173

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 0:58:00

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## **Roger & Me**

USA | 1989 | 91 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Michael Moore

Producers: Michael Moore, Wendy Stanzler

Writer: Michael Moore

Celebrating its 20th Anniversary, *Roger & Me* is every bit as relevant today as it was back in 1989. The film chronicles the story of the (then) world's largest corporation, General Motors, as it turned its hometown of Flint, Michigan, into a ghost town. In his quest to discover why GM would want to do such a thing, filmmaker Michael Moore, a Flint native, attempts to meet the chairman, Roger Smith and invite him out for a few beers up in Flint to "talk things over." In between his efforts to see Smith, Moore, the son of a Flint autoworker, takes us on a bizarre journey through Flint, accompanied along the way by Ronald Reagan, Miss America, Pat Boone, Bob "Newlywed Game" Eubanks, and TV evangelist Robert Schuller--all of whom show up to save Flint from destruction. **L**

Thu 25 Feb | 7:25pm | Prog 084

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:31:00

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## **Saving Grace B. Jones**

USA | 2009 | 120 min

## Dramatic Feature

Director: Connie Stevens

Producers: Connie Stevens, Ralph Singleton

Writers: Connie Stevens, Jeff Elison

Cast: Tatum O'Neal, Penelope Ann Miller, Michael Biehn, Joel Gretsch, Piper Laurie, Gregory James, Scott Wilson

Actress and singer Connie Stevens makes her directorial and writing debut with the drama. After 17 years in a mental institution, troubled Grace (Oscar® and Emmy-winner Tatum O'Neal), arrives at the home of brother Landy (Michael Biehn of the Terminator), at the same time as 10-year-old Carrie (Rylee Fansler), who is sent from New York City to rural Missouri after the murder of her mother. The traumatized victims are welcomed by Landy, wife Bea (Penelope Ann Miller) and daughter Lucy (Evie Louise Thompson), but when a flood swamps the area, the once placid surface of this small-town family is similarly roiled. After an unresolved accident, the model family begins to disintegrate under the monumental weight of continuing tragic events. Grace reacts as she has been conditioned by the system she has endured. She is reduced bit-by-bit to the state of a severely wounded animal. Meanwhile, Carrie learns that love and appreciation of other human beings is not only a family matter. The love and devotion showed by these brave people change her life forever. *Saving Grace B. Jones* is a true American story of tragedy and triumph. The film's deep cast also includes Scott Wilson (*In Cold Blood*) and three-time Oscar® and Emmy-nominee Piper Laurie. **V**

Tue 23 Feb | 6:15pm | Prog 020

Harkins Theatre 2

Thu 25 Feb | 4:40pm | Prog 078

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 2:00:00

## A Sea Change

USA | 2009 | 83 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Barbara Ettinger

Producers: Barbara Ettinger, Sven Huseby, Susan Cohn Rockefeller

Experts predict that over the next century, steady increases in carbon dioxide emissions and the continued rise in the acidity of the oceans will cause most of the world's fisheries to experience a total bottom-up collapse—a state that could last for millions of years. In this beautiful and contemplative film, Sven Huseby wonders how he will explain what is happening to the oceans and their ecosystems to his grandson, Elias.

*A Sea Change* is an "homage" to our oceans. It is both a personal journey and a scientifically rigorous, sometimes humorous, unflinchingly honest look at reality. It offers positive examples of new technologies and effective changes in human behavior that we all must choose before the oceans are lost. **ENVIRONMENTAL, FAMILY**

Preceded By:

## Ghosts of the Alpine

USA | 2009 | 10 min

Dramatic Short

Executive Producer: Joyce Gellhorn

Co-Producer: Holly McClelland

*Ghosts of the Alpine* is about the elusive habits of the only bird capable of surviving the harsh, alpine tundra of the Rocky Mountains throughout the year: the White-tailed Ptarmigan. Because they live in a precarious balance with their environment, White-tailed Ptarmigan may well serve as a global warming barometer on the health of our planet.

**ENVIRONMENTAL, FAMILY**

Thu 25 Feb | 9:05am | Prog 060

Harkins Theatre 2

Sat 27 Feb | 2:25pm | Prog 146

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:33:00

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## SEDONA GREEN: SUSTAINABILITY ROUNDTABLE

Fri 26 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 118

Studio Live Theatre

Sat 27 Feb | 2:30pm | Prog 148

Studio Live Theatre

Total running time:

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## Seraphine

France | 2008 | 125 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Martin Provost

Producers: Miléna Poylo, Gilles Sacuto

Writer: Martin Provost

Cast: Yolande Moreau, Ulrich Tukur, Anne Bennent

The true story of Seraphine Louis, aka Seraphine de Senlis (Yolande Moreau), a simple and profoundly devout housekeeper who, in 1905 at age 41, (self-taught and with the instigation of her guardian angel) began painting brilliantly colorful canvases. In 1912 Wilhelm Uhde (Ulrich Tukur), a German art critic and collector who was one of the first collectors of Picasso and champion of primitive painter Le Douanier Rousseau, discovered her paintings while she worked for him as a maid in his lodgings in Senlis, outside Paris. Uhde became her patron and grouped her work with other naive painters, the so-called Sacred Heart Painters, with acclaimed shows in Paris, Europe and eventually at New York's Museum of Modern Art. This beautiful film is a testament to the mysteries of creativity and the resilience of one woman's spirit. *Seraphine* went on to a surprise win of Best Picture and Best Actress for Yolande Moreau along with five other awards at the 2009 Césars, the French equivalent of the Academy Awards.

Sun 28 Feb | 7:00pm | Prog 191

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 2:05:00

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## Sergio

USA, UK | 2009 | 94 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Greg Barker

Producers: Greg Barker, John Battsek, Julie Goldman

Co-Producer: Chetin Chabuk

Sergio Vieira de Mello. He was the go-to guy, a cross between James Bond and Bobby Kennedy. The man who could descend into the most dangerous places, charm the worst war criminals, and somehow protect the lives of the ordinary people to whom he'd devoted his life. And then came the call: another crisis and Sergio was the only man for the job. *Sergio* is based on Pulitzer Prize-winner Samantha Power's groundbreaking biography, *Chasing the Flame: Sergio Vieira de Mello and the Fight to Save the World*. *Sergio* is on the "short list" for this year's Best Documentary competition in the Academy Awards! **WARNING-DISTURBING IMAGES**

Preceded By:

## **Prayers for Peace**

USA | 2009 | 8 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Dustin Grella

Producer: Dustin Grella

Co-Producer: Matt Israel

Writer: Dustin Grella

Featuring: Dustin Grella (Voice), Devin Grella (Voice)

*Prayers for Peace* is a narrative stop-motion animation confronting the memory of the artist's younger brother, who was killed in the current conflict in Iraq. Drawn using pastels on a slate chalkboard, the entire film is shot in two continuous scenes, with the current image drawn directly on top of the previous, leaving the memory of the previous drawings to continue into the present. Much of the footage was borrowed directly from images taken off of the soldier's laptop, that was returned to the family. Also taken from the laptop was an audio file recorded in the active combat area of Najaf, where the young man expresses his feelings about the experience.

Thu 25 Feb | 2:10pm | Prog 072

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 152

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:42:00

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## **A Shine of Rainbows**

Canada, Ireland | 2009 | 100 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Vic Sarin

Executive Producers: Morgan O'Sullivan, David Reckziegel, John Hamilton, Laura Rister

Producers: Tina Pehme, Kim Roberts and James Flynn

Writers: Vic Sarin, Catherine Spear and Dennis Foon

Cast: Connie Nielsen, Aidan Quinn and John Bell

Tom is a frail, shy eight-year-old boy who has been living a solitary life in a drab orphanage. Then a joyous burst of colour comes into his world: Maire O'Donnell, whose smile and spirit light up the darkest room and Tom's heart. Before he knows it, Tom is on a boat, sailing to wind-swept Corrie Island off the coast of Ireland, where he meets Alec, Maire's reticent husband who cannot hide his disappointment with the boy. Undiscouraged, Maire introduces Tom to the wonders of his new world. She teaches him you can find magic anywhere--if you really look. In this rugged and enchanting world, Tom thrives. Slowly, Alec too begins to see in Tom what Maire always has. When tragedy strikes, Tom is faced with his greatest challenge yet, for he will lose everything unless he can find and share the magic that is inside him. Risking all, Tom embarks on a perilous journey where he will need to call on all of Maire's gifts to triumph and come home. *A Shine of Rainbows* is a story about the transformational power of love: about finding acceptance, discovering magic and about realizing that rainbows are all around you and within you, too. **FAMILY**

Tue 23 Feb | 6:10pm | Prog 019

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 11:40am | Prog 138

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:40:00

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## **SHORTS PROGRAM 1: THE WAYS OF LOVE**

## **Simulacrum®**

USA | 2009 | 12 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Logan Brown  
Producer: Clark Freeman  
Writer: Logan Brown  
Cast: Clark Freeman

This is a short film about Mickey, a man who is fed up with work and the mundane routine of his everyday life. To get out of his rut, he purchases a Simulacrum®, an android replica of himself. He tells his copy to go to work for him so he can focus on his dream--writing a novel.

## **Open Your Eyes**

USA | 2008 | 14 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Susan Cohen  
Producers: David Newsom, Alisa Wiegers, Amy Sommer  
Writer: Susan Cohen  
Cast: Traci Dinwiddie, Suzy Nakamura, Eric Lange, Teresa Huang

Struggling to come to terms with her life and marriage after breast cancer, Julia gets more than she bargained for when she attends a bridal shower and finds herself locked in a bathroom with a stranger. Open Your Eyes is a poignant and humorous look at our complex relationship with breasts, each other and what it really means to be whole.

## **Paul and his Wall**

USA | 2008 | 12 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Steven Anderson  
Producer: Joey Daoud  
Writer: Steven Anderson  
Cast: Joshua Weinstein, Jennifer Sisoian

A timid recluse named Paul avoids leaving his inner-city apartment for fear of the outside world. One day, his pretty new neighbor Bo moves in and accidentally knocks a hole through their wall. Paul discovers what he thinks could be the perfect love as they spend day after day hanging out through the hole in their separate rooms. Soon, however, the relationship reaches its limit, allowing heartbreak and loneliness to threaten Paul yet again.

## **Speechless**

USA | 2009 | 15 min  
Dramatic Short  
Director: Tiffany Shaw  
Producer: Tiffany Shaw  
Writer: Tiffany Shaw  
Cast: Amy Clouser, Frank Baden, Megan Trowbridge

Cora has let others make all her decisions, preferring to live in her own fairytale dream world. On a trip with her friend, she finds Todd, a southern gentleman. Taken on the ride of her life, she cannot separate reality from the fantasy and when she finds herself on the brink of marriage, she is forced to make her first decision alone.

## **Down in Number 5**

USA | 2009 | 18 min

## Dramatic Short

Director: Kim Spurlock

Producer: David Chan

Co-Producers: Jason Sokoloff, Robert Profusek, Ryan Silbert

Writer: Kim Spurlock

Cast: Michael Meredith, Chris Devlin, John Halstead, Valerie Blazek, WG Bunch, Carmen Fullmer

Retired coal miner Carl Short, 65, lives with his 40-year old, developmentally disabled son Sammy. Since his wife died several years ago, Carl has become Sammy's sole caretaker. Down in Number 5 is a tender portrait of a man pushed to his limits for the love of his son and a haunting rumination on family and community in Appalachia. Based on a true story.

## Sofia

USA | 2008 | 24 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Patrick Underwood

Producer: Chady Mattar

Writer: Patrick Underwood

Cast: Stephen Mailer, Jennifer Christopher, Stephen Mailer

*Sofia* is a story about Tom, happily married to a beautiful woman, and a former musician. His world is turned upside down when his college lover, Sofia, now a world famous musician, is scheduled to give a concert in the city where he lives with his wife and daughter.

Wed 24 Feb | 2:25pm | Prog 040

Harkins Theatre 6

Thu 25 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 081

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Sat 27 Feb | 9:15am | Prog 134

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:35:00

## SHORTS PROGRAM 2: CELEBRATING THE MACABRE

### Mother, Mine

United Kingdom | 2008 | 17 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Susan Everett

Executive Producer: Tony Dixon

Producer: Rob Speranza

Writer: Susan Everett

Cast: Kelly Harrison, Barbara Marten, David Fleeshman

"Hello Mum. My name's Alison. I was born on the sixth of June, twenty eight years ago. But you know that already, don't you?" Grieving after the death of her adoptive mother, Alison tries to track down her natural mother to find a replacement "mum." She sends out a videotape as an introduction. But are her intentions what they seem? **V, L**

### The Window

USA | 2009 | 10 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Ryan Spindell

Producer: T. Justin Ross

Writer: Ryan Spindell

Cast: Michael Richie, George Judy, Beverly Lewis, Chris Baker, Parker Durrance, Lauren Wyckoff, Dianne Baumeister, Nicholas Correnti

When a person is bedridden, the view from the bedroom window is priceless. When two bedridden people have to share the same window, proximity matters. A hospital room, two bedridden men and one window...the situation creates a very interesting drama.

## **Parking Garage**

USA | 2009 | 9 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Justin Lazernik

Producer: Valerie Wicks

Writer: Justin Lazernik

Cast: Tracy Wray

Within a massive parking garage, Blair can't remember where she parked her car. After hours of fruitless searching, she realizes help is not to be found. In her despair, she wonders if she'll ever see her car again. For Blair, this all proves to be just the beginning of an unusual journey.

## **Soap Opera (Novela)**

USA | 2009 | 18 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Anthony Averbeck

Writer: Anthony Averbeck

A compelling award-winning short that explores what happens when a woman is kidnapped by a mask-wearing member of a drug cartel. What would you sacrifice in order to save another life? **V, L**

## **The Terrible Thing of Alpha-9!**

USA | 2009 | 6 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Jake Armstrong

Cast: Paul Villeco (Voice)

A space bounty hunter travels to a lonely planet to kill a terrible monster.

## **Rooftop**

USA | 2009 | 12 min

Dramatic Short

Director: PJ Gaynard

Executive Producers: PJ Gaynard, Bart Blackburn

Producers: PJ Gaynard, Allison Vanore, Bart Blackburn

Writer: Dima Otvertchenko

Cast: Cheryl Burns, Bart Blackburn, David Graf

Johnny Sanchez, a greasy, scumbag prince of crime, is picking off rival dealers. Determined to find out how, Lionel Hamlin perches on a rooftop to spy on him. Lionel, however, is unprepared for what happens next: a young couple sneaks up to the roof for some ice cream, locking the door behind them. Suddenly stranded on a rooftop with Sanchez getting away, Lionel and the kids have to figure out how to get off the roof without alerting anyone or getting killed. **L, V**

## Island of the Gondoliers

USA | 2009 | 21 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Guido Muzzarelli

Producer: Guido Muzzarelli

Writer: Guido Muzzarelli

Cast: Ali Allie, Matteo Troncone, Stephan Smith Collins, Larissa Kasian

This is a captivating Italian short that uses puppetry and gorgeous cinematography to tell the tale of a young orphan boy in 1911 Venice. He receives a mysterious note from his grandfather which tells of a land called Floracha. Drama and mystery await the boy as we learn of a Venetian massacre, surviving Florachans hiding in the underground, and see who will finally adopt the young boy. The film is filled with creativity and unique imagery.

Wed 24 Feb | 10:00pm | Prog 058

Harkins Theatre 6

Thu 25 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 082

Studio Live Theatre

Sat 27 Feb | 9:45pm | Prog 162

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:33:00

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## Sicko

USA | 2007 | 123 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Michael Moore

Producers: Michael Moore, Meghan O'Hara

Writer: Michael Moore

Michael Moore's *Sicko* follows the trailblazing path of his previous hit films, the Oscar®-winning *Bowling for Columbine* and the all-time box-office documentary champ *Fahrenheit 9/11*. It is also something very different for Michael Moore. *Sicko* is a straight-from-the-heart portrait of the crazy and sometimes cruel U.S. health care system, told from the vantage of everyday people faced with extraordinary and bizarre challenges in their quest for basic health coverage. In the tradition of Mark Twain or Will Rogers, *Sicko* uses humor to tell these compelling stories, leading the audience to conclude that an alternative system is the only possible answer. **L**

Fri 26 Feb | 7:15pm | Prog 121

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 2:03:00

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## Smile 'Til It Hurts: The Up With People Story

USA | 2008 | 81 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Lee Storey

Executive Producer: Jack Lechner

Producers: Lee Storey, Bari Pearlman

*Smile 'Til it Hurts: the Up With People Story* explores the clean-cut, smile-drenched singing phenomenon, Up With People. The group was born in response to the counter-culture of the '60's and was determined to change the world one squeaky-clean song at a time. The impossibly cheery facade concealed a much more complicated reality for its members. A cautionary tale spanning decades, this film is an entertaining, relevant and evocative look behind the

curtain of the American dream.

Preceded By:

## **Latter-Day Fake**

USA | 2008 | 26 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Jolie Hales

Executive Producer: Jolie Hales

Producer: Jordan Nellis

Writers: Jolie Hales, Chris Wiltz

Cast: Jackson Davis, Elizabeth Chomko, Keith Arthur Bolden, Ashley Clark, Patrick O'Connor

When catastrophe strikes Jack's independent film set, he suddenly finds himself in desperate need of funding, and he'll do anything to get it--even if it means pretending to be a Mormon. After finding an ad for an LDS artists grant, Jack, much to the dismay of his roommate Troy, quickly "Mormonizes" himself and sets off to be interviewed. Everything goes according to plan until Jack meets someone who threatens to throw a monkey wrench in the works.

Thu 25 Feb | 11:45am | Prog 067

Harkins Theatre 6

Sat 27 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 159

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Total running time: 1:47:00

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## **Solitary**

USA | 2009 | 91 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Greg Derochie

Producers: Greg Derochie, Charles Scalfani

Co-Producer: Cindy Troianello

Cast: Amber Jaeger, Andrew Qamar, Kieron Elliot, Kristine Sullivan, Brian Spangler-Campbell, Anthony B. Cohen, Susan Tierny, Dalton Leeb

An agoraphobic woman must solve the mystery of her husband's disappearance while battling an irrational fear of leaving her house. This film weaves a suspenseful web of intrigue and ultimately questions the very nature of reality. **V, L**

Preceded By:

## **Viola: The Traveling Rooms of a Little Giant**

USA | 2008 | 9 min

Animation Short

Producers: Shih-Ting Hung, Joe Tamas

Writer: Shih-Ting Hung

It is an ordinary day in an old classroom on the Pacific coast. Seven year old Viola tries to grow up. She feels like a giant, a tiny giant. Lumbering. Isolated. She wonders if there are others like her. She makes her way, and her first steps wobble like new shoots in the spring rain. On too small shoes, teetering. Harlequins somersaulting on the wings of moths, disturbing the dust in the empty audience seats. Through invisible boxes and costumes and acrobats in knots. Stumbling on slippery moss at the 4 o'clock bus stop. A thousand, thousand people on paths that never touch, until she meets another giant....

Wed 24 Feb | 11:50am | Prog 034

Harkins Theatre 6  
Fri 26 Feb | 4:30pm | Prog 113  
Harkins Theatre 6  
Total running time: 1:40:00

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## Soundtrack for a Revolution

USA | 2009 | 82 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Bill Guttentag, Dan Sturman, Joslyn Barnes

Producers: Bill Guttentag, Dan Sturman, Joslyn Barnes, Jim Czarnecki, Dylan Nelson

Writers: Bill Guttentag, Dan Sturman, Joslyn Barnes

Featuring: The Roots, John Legend, Wyclef Jean, Joss Stone, Richie Havens, Anthony Hamilton, The Blind Boys of Alabama, Angie Stone, Mary Mary, T.V. On The Radio, Harry Belafonte, John Lewis, Lula Joe Williams, Andrew Young, Lynda Lowery

*Soundtrack for a Revolution* tells the story of the American civil rights movement through its powerful music - the freedom songs protesters sang on picket lines, in mass meetings, and in jail cells as they fought for justice and equality. The film features new performances of the freedom songs by top artists; riveting archival footage; and interviews with civil rights foot soldiers and leaders. The freedom songs evolved from slave chants, from the labor movement, and especially from the black church. The music enabled blacks to sing words they could not say, and it was crucial in helping the protesters as they faced down brutal aggression with dignity and non-violence. The infectious energy of the songs swept people up and empowered them to fight for their rights. *Soundtrack for a Revolution* celebrates the vitality of this music. *Soundtrack for a Revolution* is on the "short list" for this year's Best Documentary competition in the Academy Awards!

Preceded By:

## Distraxion

USA | 2008 | 2 min

Animation Short

Director: Michael Stern

Producer: Michael Stern

Cast: Cody King (Voice)

*Distraxion* is a computer-animated narrative film that relies on traditional storytelling and animation principles. It represents a successful, creator-driven project and an accomplishment in the field of online animation education. The majority of the film was developed during the short film curriculum at the online school animationmentor.com. It was then polished by the individual artists working remotely over the course of the following year.

## Weekend

USA | 2010 | 26 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Josh Kasselmann

Producer: Stephanie Lucas

Writers: Stephanie Lucas, Josh Kasselmann

Cast: Andrea Chesley, Elizabeth White

When Juliette, a talented but troubled modern dancer, loses her featured role in an upcoming performance, she begins to regret the sacrifices she's made for her career. Over the weekend she takes drastic action to try to fill the gnawing emptiness.

Fri 26 Feb | 10:10pm | Prog 128

Harkins Theatre 2  
Sat 27 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 160  
Studio Live Theatre  
Total running time: 1:50:00

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## Soundtracker

USA | 2009 | 88 min  
Documentary Feature  
Director: Nicholas Sherman  
Producer: Nicholas Sherman  
Writer: Nick Sherman

Gordon Hempton is an Emmy Award-winning sound recordist who has spent the last thirty years of his life trying to find and record the vanishing sounds of nature. Every year, he takes several "soundtracking trips" across the American West in search of new listening opportunities. This film follows Gordon on one of these trips. This month-long journey will take him deep into the wilderness and then into uncharted territory where a surprising new sound captures his imagination. Shot throughout the Pacific Northwest and sound-mixed to incorporate Gordon's own pristine binaural recordings, *Soundtracker* explores the sounds and the soul of an uncompromising artist. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Preceded By:

## A Time Comes

United Kingdom | 2009 | 20 min  
Documentary Short  
Director: Nick Broomfield  
Executive Producers: Eski Thomas, John Sauven  
Producer: Christina Robert  
Co-Producer: Michelle Thomas

The film tells the story of the Kingsnorth Six, a group of Greenpeace volunteers who scaled the 220m chimney at a coal fired power station in Kent in 2007 to protest against government plans to build new coal plants across Britain. The subsequent trial of the six activists took place at Maidstone Crown Court in Kent in September 2008. The *New York Times* listed the defense as one of the ideas that defined 2008. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Tue 23 Feb | 1:15pm | Prog 011  
Harkins Theatre 5  
Fri 26 Feb | 11:40am | Prog 103  
Harkins Theatre 1  
Total running time: 1:48:00

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## Stay Away a Little Closer: A Documentary of John Ford Noonan

USA | 2008 | 53 min  
Documentary Feature  
Director: Rick Rodgers  
Producers: Rick Rodgers, Robbie Mangiardi  
Writers: Rick Rodgers, Robbie Mangiardi

Infamous New York playwright John Ford Noonan has fallen on hard times since his glory days in the 70's at the Public Theater. In this uniquely haunting and powerful documentary, Noonan reflects on family and art as he leads us on a disturbing tour of what a life can become. Once acclaimed as America's most promising playwright, known for his off-Broadway success *A Coupla White Chicks Sitting Around Talking*, John Ford Noonan went on to face demons of

alcoholism and drug addiction, never losing his way with words, his brio, or his riffs against the system. A fascinating documentary about a truly unclassifiable man. **L**

Preceded By:

### **Eustice's Bag**

USA | 2009 | 15 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Daniel D'Alimonte

Executive Producer: Daniel D'Alimonte

Producer: Christina Medina

Writer: David Lawrence

Cast: Robin Zamora, Michael Matthy's, Kris Kjornes, Jessica Smith, Will Tulin

After being rejected, a painter returns home to an apartment with three home-made mannequins whose heads have been removed and replaced with old television sets. They have been staged as if talking to one another at a dinner party, drinks in hand and wearing vintage clothing. Three art heads, Roger, Tatiana and Marcus appear on the TV screens. As the "dinner party" proceeds, the painter is interrupted by the art curator he tried selling his work to previously. The painter quickly realizes that what appears to be a great opportunity to display his artwork becomes a moment of bitter disillusionment. **L**

### **The Last Page**

USA | 2008 | 22 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Kevin Acevedo

Executive Producer: Kevin Acevedo

Producer: Matt Akey

Writer: Kevin Acevedo

Cast: Andrew Burlinson, Mark DeCarlo, Megan Cavanagh, Michael Rivkin, McKenna Melvin, Emily Rose, Wilton Godfrey

Jason Adams is a tortured author struggling to find the perfect ending to his latest story. While taking a break from writing, Jason is catapulted into a bizarre series of events, each one pushing him further away from finishing the last page. **L**

Wed 24 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 054

Studio Live Theatre

Fri 26 Feb | 4:45pm | Prog 115

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:30:00

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### **Stone of Destiny**

Canada, UK | 2008 | 96 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Charles Martin Smith

Producers: Andrew Boswell, Rob Merilees

Writers: Ian Hamilton, Charles Martin Smith

Cast: Charlie Cox, Kate Mara, Billy Boyd, Robert Carlyle, Ciaron Kelly

It is 1950. Lawyer Ian Hamilton is very angry at what he sees as the political and economic subjugation of Scotland by England and is outraged that Scots are somewhat ashamed to be Scottish. He decides to perform a symbolic act to put heart into the marginalized Scottish nationalist movement. He creates a daring scheme with a friend to liberate the Stone of Scone back from Westminster Abbey in London, where it has resided for centuries following the English military

victories over the Scots in the Middle Ages.

Thu 25 Feb | 9:20am | Prog 064

Harkins Theatre 3

Sun 28 Feb | 11:30am | Prog 174

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:36:00

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## **A Swedish Midsummer Sex Comedy**

USA, Sweden | 86 | 86 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Ian McCrudden

Producers: Peter Holthause, Pontus Sjöman

Writers: Henrik Engström, Mattias Grosin, Erik Hörstadius, Ian McCrudden

Cast: Olle Sarri, Lisa Werlinder, Alexander Karim, Anna Littorin, Luke Perry

Sumptuous food, steaming saunas, and midnight skinny dipping are the tradition on Swedish Midsummer, a day when the sun never sets. This year, friends have gathered at the country house of Emil and Susanne the perfect Swedish couple. In attendance are Eva, who is looking for something to take her mind off of her recent split with Patrick, and Maria, nude hipsters who are trying for their first child. Also there are Micke and Katarina, who are about to have their first baby, and finally, Sam (Luke Perry), the American friend who engages the proceedings with a twinkle and a smile. Expectations are exceeded when Emil's big planned surprise goes awry leaving them all confused and changed for good!  
**S, L, N**

Preceded By:

### **Cupid**

Australia | 2009 | 14 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Melvin Montalban

Producer: Trinni Franke

Writers: Trinni Franke, Melvin Montalban, Timothy Wilde

Ever since ancient times, Cupid has ignited the spark of desire for all of humankind--until one fateful night when he unwillingly falls prey to his own magic and is locked into a desperate contest for the heart of the beautiful singer, Lauren. Cupid pulls out all his divine powers to woo her--but will it be enough for him to find true love? **L**

Tue 23 Feb | 8:45pm | Prog 025

Harkins Theatre 1

Fri 26 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 123

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Total running time: 1:40:00

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## **Terra Madre**

Italy | 2009 | 88 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Ermanno Olmi

Producers: Beppe Caschetto, Gian Luca Farinelli

Writers: Ermanno Olmi, Carlo Petrini, Franco Piavoli, Mario Piavoli

It's fitting that a movement started by one poet, Carlo Petrini, should be documented by another. 77-year-old Ermanno

Olmi chronicles the 2006 and 2008 gatherings of Petrini's Slow Food movement in Turin, where thousands of farmers and artisans from 150 countries exchanged ideas about sustainable, responsible agriculture. Olmi, fascinated with costumes, faces and gestures, visits an underground global seed vault in the remote Arctic reaches of Norway, the Indian farm of eco-philosopher Vandana Shiva and the abandoned home of a hermetic Italian who practiced sustainability long before it was fashionable. Back in Turin, a Massachusetts student promises, "We will be a generation that reunites mankind with the earth. *Terra Madre's* wordless, lyrical final act follows a solitary farmer through seasons of cultivation and consumption. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Preceded By:

## **Common Ground**

USA | 2009 | 21 min

Documentary Short

Director: Joe Hudson

Executive Producer: Fred Phillips

Producer: Matthew Fahey

Writer: Matthew Fahey

Featuring: Daniel Duque-Estrada (Voice)

The film tells the story of the cleanup of the Yuma East Wetlands. Now the area has returned to balance, and crime has drastically reduced. Various stakeholders and non-profits from both Mexico and the U.S. have joined forces to restore a small section of the Limitrophe known as Hunter's Hole, and are using the Yuma East Wetlands as a model for what can be done in there. Jobs are created, wildlife is returning to the area, and security has been enhanced for both nations that share this common ground. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Mon 22 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 005

Harkins Theatre 1

Wed 24 Feb | 11:40am | Prog 033

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:49:00

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## **Troubled Water**

Norway | 2008 | 120 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Erik Poppe

Executive Producers: Erik Poppe, Torleif Hauge, Jim Frazee, Mads Peter Ole Olesen

Producers: Finn Gjerdrum, Stein B. Kvae

Writers: Harald Rosenløw Eeg, Finn Gjerdrum, Erik Poppe

Cast: Pål Sverre Valheim Hagen, Trine Dyrholm, Ellen Dorrit Petersen, Trond Espen Seim, Fredrik Grøndahl

Jan, recently released from prison after serving time for the murder of a child, has always maintained his innocence and is ready to put the past behind him. A gifted organist, he takes a job at an Oslo church under his middle name, Thomas. His talent and gentle manner quickly earn him the respect of his superiors, as well as the love of the pastor, Anna. Thomas even overcomes his initial panic to return the affection of Anna's young son, Jens. But his past catches up with him when Agnes, a local teacher, comes to the church on a school visit and recognizes the organist as the young man who was convicted of the murder of her son. This film is a brilliantly unraveling story of guilt, hatred, redemption and forgiveness.

Michael Moore opened his Traverse City Film Festival with *Troubled Water*, calling it one of his favorite films-ever! **L**

Mon 22 Feb | 5:00pm | Prog 006

Harkins Theatre 2

Thu 25 Feb | 9:10am | Prog 062

Harkins Theatre 5  
Total running time: 2:00:00

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## Uncertainty

USA | 2009 | 105 min

Dramatic Feature

Directors: Scott McGehee, David Siegel

Producers: Scott McGehee, David Siegel

Writers: Scott McGehee, David Siegel

Cast: Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Lynn Collins

A summer day. A single question exploding into two scenarios about infinite possibility, the consequences of choice and the significance of pure accident. A young couple, Bobby Thompson and Kate Montero (Joseph Gordon-Levitt and Lynn Collins), drunk in love with each other, face the biggest decision of their lives. She's pregnant and they're not sure what they'll do. At the center of the bridge Bobby stops, takes out a coin and tosses it. With that tossed coin, a seemingly ordinary day cleaves into two alternate realities: Bobby and Kate each take off running for a different end of the bridge, and there--on two opposing sides of the river--each impossibly finds the other. Brooklyn and Manhattan. One moment, one problem. One shared story divides into two inter-cut, interconnected versions of the same day. A delicate drama set in Brooklyn examines familial love, self-discovery, loss and the ordinary choices we make every day, while Manhattan offers a vastly different tale of intrigue, suspense and murder on the streets of Chinatown. **V, L**

Preceded By:

## Make A Mate

USA | 2009 | 4 min

Animation Short

Director: Jennifer Jordan Day

Producer: Jennifer Jordan Day

A lonely woman is about to send a letter to her mom... but then a new store, Make A Mate, magically appears. Can she make the perfect mate?

Tue 23 Feb | 8:25pm | Prog 023

Harkins Theatre 5

Thu 25 Feb | 11:25am | Prog 065

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:49:00

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## Vincere

Italy | 2009 | 122 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Marco Bellocchio

Producer: Mario Gianani

Writers: Marco Bellocchio, Daniela Ceselli

Cast: Giovanna Mezzogiorno, Filippo Timi, Fausto Russo Alesi, Michela Cescon

There is a secret in the life of Mussolini: a wife and a son, Benito Albino, who was born, acknowledged and then denied. The secret bears a name: Ida Dalsler. It is a dark page in history, one ignored in the official biography of *Il Duce*. Noted for outstanding cinematography, this award winning Italian masterpiece weds authentic historical footage with modern work as it tells a visually fascinating and important story. **V, L, S, N**

Fri 26 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 096

Harkins Theatre 3

Sun 28 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 166

Harkins Theatre 3

Total running time: 1:42:00

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## Waiting for Forever

USA | 2009 | 94 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: James Keach

Producers: Trevor Albert, James Keach

Writer: Steve Adams

Cast: Tom Sturridge, Rachel Bilson, Richard Jenkins, Blythe Danner, Jaime King, Nikki Blonsky, Scott Mechlowicz, Matt Davis

Life has gotten complicated for actress Emma Twist (Rachel Bilson). Her mediocre TV show has been canceled, she's on the rocks with her boyfriend Aaron (Matt Davis) and her father's (Richard Jenkins) illness has been deemed terminal. To make matters worse, her childhood friend Will Donner (Tom Sturridge), whom she hasn't laid eyes on since they were children, has decided now is the time to profess his true feelings for her. When everyone unexpectedly converges in Emma's hometown, questions of family, love, and how we live our lives are explored.

Wed 24 Feb | 6:50pm | Prog 049

Harkins Theatre 1

Fri 26 Feb | 4:50pm | Prog 116

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:34:00

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## Waking Sleeping Beauty

USA | 86 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Don Hahn

Producers: Peter Schneider, Don Hahn

Writer: Patrick Pacheco

This is no fairy tale. It's the true story of how Disney regained its magic (after many years of failures) with a staggering output of hits--*The Little Mermaid*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Aladdin*, the *Lion King* and more--over a 10-year period. Director Don Hahn and producer Peter Schneider bring their insider knowledge to *Waking Sleeping Beauty*. Their film offers a fascinating and candid perspective of what happened in the creative ranks set against the dynamic tensions between the top leadership: Michael Eisner, Jeffrey Katzenberg and Roy Disney (Walt's nephew). The filmmakers bring a refreshing candor in describing ego battles, cost overruns and failed experiments that others might prefer to forget.

Mon 22 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 008

Harkins Theatre 2

Wed 24 Feb | 2:10pm | Prog 037

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:26:00

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## War Against The Weak

USA | 2009 | 91 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Justin Strawhand

Producer: Peter Demas

Writers: Justin Strawhand, Richard Belfiore

Featuring: John Hockenberry (Voice)

Based on the book by *New York Times* bestselling author and nine-time Pulitzer Prize nominee, Edwin Black, this is the untold story of American Eugenics, a movement that attempted to breed a Nordic master race through the elimination of the "unfit." The goal was to create a superior, white, Nordic race and obliterate virtually everyone else. *War Against the Weak* explores this complex relationship between American eugenics and the horrors of the Holocaust. **WARNING: DISTURBING IMAGES**

Preceded By:

## **Inquisition**

USA | 2009 | 16 min

Dramatic Short

Director: Kyle Gehring

Producers: Kyle Gehring, Emily Warren, Matt Stockalper

Writer: Kyle Gehring

Cast: Paul Winters, Greg Bronson, Craig Hartley, Emilee Edwards, Dean Jutilla, Randy J. Shams, Michael L. Turner

In the near future, religion has been outlawed. Those who practice or support religion are hunted, imprisoned, and killed. Isaac, a lone pious man, has been captured by a group of bounty hunters. As he awaits his own death, Isaac attempts to understand the new forces' Orwellian laws as his arresting officer tries to understand Isaac's views.

Wed 24 Feb | 7:25pm | Prog 051

Harkins Theatre 5

Sat 27 Feb | 2:20pm | Prog 145

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:47:00

## **Welcome**

France | 2009 | 105 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Philippe Lioret

Producers: Christophe Rossignon, Bertrand Faivre

Writers: Philippe Lioret, Olivier Adam, Emmanuel Courcol

Cast: Vincent Lindon, Firat Ayverdi, Audrey Dana

Bilal, a 17-year-old Kurdish refugee, has struggled his way through Europe for the last three months, trying to reunite with his girlfriend, who recently emigrated to England. His journey comes to an abrupt halt when he is stopped by authorities in Calais, on the French side of the Channel. Left with no other alternatives, he decides to swim across. Bilal goes to the local swimming pool to train, where he meets Simon, a middle-aged swimming instructor in turmoil over his imminent divorce. Simon agrees to help Bilal, hoping to win back the affection of his wife, who does volunteer work helping immigrants. But what begins as a relationship based on self interest, develops into something much bigger than Simon could ever have imagined, as he too will ultimately risk everything to reach happiness. **S, L**

Tue 23 Feb | 3:35pm | Prog 013

Harkins Theatre 1

Fri 26 Feb | 9:40pm | Prog 125

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:45:00

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## When The World Breaks

USA | 2009 | 85 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Hans Fjellestad

Producers: Joe Mundo, Jason Sallee

Featuring: Jerry Stiller, Phyllis Diller, Buzz Aldrin, Mickey Rooney, Jesse Jackson, Richard Anderson, Ray Brabury, Art Linkletter, Jack LaLanne, Carla Laemmle, Paul Dooley, Monty Hall, James Karen, Fyvush Finkel, Robert Boyle, Richard Schaal, Hugh Downs, Tyrus Wong, Christopher Reed, Timuel Black, Al Martinez, Janet Klein, John Drummond, Heather Becker, Ian Whitcomb, Rev. Willie Barrow

This is a story about creativity and survival in desperate times, specifically the Great Depression of the 1930s--with striking parallels to our current Great Recession. Extreme times are also periods of heightened creativity and innovation, when necessity truly does become the mother of invention. When the World Breaks takes its audience beyond the bread lines and dust bowls, into a vibrant story of one of the most formative decades in American history.

Preceded By:

## The Snallygaster Tale

USA | 2009 | 18 min

Dramatic Short

Director: John Baldino

Producer: AJ Jackson

Cast: David O'Hara, Matthew Haddad, Mark Aaron

During the Great Depression, a young boy named Toby lives on a poor chicken farm with his father, Hank. While Toby helps his father collect eggs one morning, he takes a liking to one of the hens, and, breaking the cardinal rule of farm life, he gives it a name: Ollie. As his affection for Ollie grows deeper, it becomes only a matter of time until the veil of innocence is lifted.

Wed 24 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 053

Sedona Rouge Theatre

Fri 26 Feb | 9:15am | Prog 100

Harkins Theatre 6

Total running time: 1:43:00

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## Which Way Home

USA | 2008 | 82 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Rebecca Cammisa

Executive Producers: Lianne Halfon, Russ Smith, John Malkovich

Producer: Rebecca Cammisa

*Which Way Home* is a feature documentary that follows unaccompanied child migrants on their journey through Mexico, as they try to reach the United States. We follow children like Olga and Freddy, nine-year old Hondurans, who are desperately trying to reach their parents in the U.S.; children like Jose, a ten-year old Salvadoran, who has been abandoned by smugglers and ends up alone in a Mexican detention center and Kevin, a canny, streetwise fourteen-year old Honduran whose mother hopes that he will reach the U.S. and send money back to her. These are stories of hope and courage, disappointment and sorrow. They are the children you never hear about: the invisible ones.

Preceded By:

## Ronan's Escape

Australia | 2009 | 16 min

Dramatic Short

Director: A.J. Carter

Executive Producers: A.J. Carter, Giancarlo Trettel, Frank Tomasi, Santino Castelli

Producers: Kate Separovich, Brad Major, Martin Mhando

Cast: David Lazarus, Ashleigh Zinko, Ryan Cammiade, Louie Vann Praag, Matthew Hennighan, Kirstie Francis, James Tayler, Mark Kont, Melissa , Joan Batt, Rachel Fforde

Ronan is a young boy growing up in a rural West Australian town. He is the social outcast of the school and has been for years. This beautifully shot film explores bullying and its haunting effects on the innocent. **WARNING-DISTURBING IMAGES**

Tue 23 Feb | 3:40pm | Prog 014

Harkins Theatre 2

Fri 26 Feb | 9:10am | Prog 099

Harkins Theatre 5

Total running time: 1:38:00

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## The Wind Journeys

Columbia | 2009 | 117 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Ciro Guerra

Producers: Christina Gallego, Diana Bustamante

Writer: Ciro Guerra

Cast: Marciano Martínez, Yull Nunez, Agustín Nieves, Erminia Martínez, José Luis Torres

Ignacio Carrillo traveled most of his life through the villages and regions of Northern Colombia playing traditional songs on his accordion, a legendary instrument that was said to be cursed because it once belonged to the devil. When his wife suddenly dies, he decides to make one last journey to the Northern edge of the country, to return the accordion to the man who gave it to him--his teacher and mentor--and then never play again. On the way, he is joined by Fermín, a teenager who dreams of becoming a traveling musician like Ignacio. Ignacio tries to convince Fermín to take a different path in life, having learned that his choice led only to solitude and sadness. This film is Colombia's submission for the Best Foreign Film Academy Award®.

Thu 25 Feb | 9:20pm | Prog 090

Harkins Theatre 3

Sat 27 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 130

Harkins Theatre 3

Total running time: 1:57:00

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## Winnebago Man

USA | 2009 | 87 min

Documentary Feature

Director: Ben Steinbauer

Producers: Joel Heller, James Payne, Malcolm Pullinger, Ben Steinbauer

Writers: Malcolm Pullinger, Ben Steinbauer

Jack Rebney, a.k.a. "the angriest man in the world," has delighted and fascinated millions of viewers with the hilariously foul-mouthed and ill-tempered outtakes from a recreational vehicle sales video he made in 1989--one of the first and

best underground videos to be passed hand-to-hand on VHS tapes before the internet turned him into a full-blown phenomenon. Filmmaker Ben Steinbauer takes us on the seemingly impossible task of tracking down Rebney. His journey turns into a fascinating exploration of viral video culture, and what it means on a personal level to its sometimes unwilling subjects. When he finally tracks down Rebney, the real man is more savvy, irascible, deep, weird, and cool than you could have possibly imagined, and turns out to be more than able to hold his own in the modern media culture. In short, he is a star. *Winnebago Man* is an intelligent, hilarious and unexpectedly poignant look at one man's response to Internet notoriety, and is ultimately a story about how a so-called "humiliation" can become a beacon of light to many.

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Preceded By:

## **GumptionFest**

USA | 2009 | 12 min

Documentary Short

Director: Gregg Ensminger

Executive Producer: Dylan Jung

Producer: Gregg Ensminger

Featuring: Danielle Gervasio, Gitangelique Sani, Christopher Fox Graham, Zach Brutsché, Mikel Weisser, Carl Weis, Gary Every, Dennis Mead, David Reed, Bert Cisneros, Kelly Cole, Dylan Jung

Every year, underground artists in Sedona, Arizona, hold a festival to celebrate their craft. But what exactly is *GumptionFest*, anyway? Join director Gregg Ensminger (*Crazy John, Journey to Land's End*) as he takes you inside this Labor Day weekend party, filled with artists and performers from all over. Get a glimpse of this celebration, with artistic expressions and performances from different musicians, poets, painters, and even young children. Have you got the gumption?

Thu 25 Feb | 9:50pm | Prog 092

Harkins Theatre 1

Sat 27 Feb | 11:35am | Prog 137

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:39:00

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## **A Woman in Berlin**

Germany, Poland | 2008 | 131 min

Dramatic Feature

Director: Max Faerberboeck

Executive Producer: Martin Moszkowicz

Producer: Guenter Rohrbach

Writer: Max Faerberboeck

Cast: Nina Hoss, Evgeny Sidikhin, Irm Hermann, Rüdiger Vogler, Ulrike Krumbiegel, Rolf Kanies, Jördis Triebel, Roman Gribkov, Juliane Köhler

A true story, based on the controversial international bestselling diary by Anonyma, published in more than 20 countries, and directed by Max Faerberboeck (Golden Globe nominee for *Aimée & Jaguar*). The film is set in 1945 during the Red Army occupation of Berlin. German women are victims of rape and devastation; one of them is Anonyma (Nina Hoss). In her desperate quest for survival she becomes what she must become. **L, S, V, N**

Thu 25 Feb | 9:00pm | Prog 089

Harkins Theatre 4

Sat 27 Feb | 9:00am | Prog 131

Harkins Theatre 4

Total running time: 2:11:00

## SPECIAL EVENTS

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### **A CONVERSATION WITH MICHAEL MOORE**

Sat 27 Feb | 2:10pm | Prog 143

Harkins Theatre 2

Total running time: 1:30:00

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### **SEDONA GREEN KICK-OFF EVENT: PACHAMAMA ALLIANCE PRESENTATION**

Mon 22 Feb | 7:30pm | Prog 007

Harkins Theatre 1

Total running time: 1:30:00