

Friday, October 15, 2010

6:00 pm – 6:05 pm: Introduction

6:05 pm – 6:30 pm: Ora E. Anderson: The Soul of the Woods

Jean Andrews, Steven Fetsch, Directors\Athens, OH

Short Film\Documentary\Local\22 min

Ora Andy Anderson, age 93, takes us on a brief tour of his tree farm and nature preserve nestled in the Appalachian Ohio foothills. Along the way we discover how personal values can lead to action.

6:30 pm – 7:50 pm: Minus One

John Osbeck, Marc Wiskeman, Directors\Columbus, OH

Feature Length\ 1 hr 22 min

What would you do if you had to leave behind everyone and everything and never come back? When three soldiers from an Army Reserve unit are called to fight in Afghanistan, they must prepare themselves for the possibility of never returning home. David Solomon is the highest-ranking NCO of the unit having already served two tours of active combat. Facing his third deployment he also faces the realities of his failing marriage to his wife and role as a father to his daughter. James Whitmore has just recently been promoted to Sergeant with the unit. His only time in active duty was a post in Germany with a Military Police unit. His wife is pregnant with their first child. The youngest of the three, Robert Montgomery is a college freshman spending his summer making up for his time spent partying and not studying. Two days before deployment, Robert's penchant for being a wild card lands the three of them spending some of their last moments at home figuring out how they are going to deal with leaving behind the life they know now and how to live with each other once they leave.

7:50 pm – 8:05 pm: Break

8:05 pm - 10:15 pm: Special Featured Movie – *LaSoga*; Josh Crook, Director and featured speaker will introduce the film with Q&A at the conclusion.

La Soga is an edgy, action-packed thriller set in the Dominican Republic and New York City. Starring Manny Perez and Denise Quinones it tells the story of Luisito, a.k.a. 'LaSoga,' the son of a butcher turned government killer, who risks everything for justice. Inspired by true events the film depicts corruption, brutality and one man's struggle for redemption. (Spanish with sub-titles) *La Soga* premiered at the prestigious Toronto International Film Festival, and was released theatrically this past August in select cities nationwide.

10:15 pm – 10:30 pm: Night Owls

Shawn Bennett, Steve Carter, Directors\Los Angeles, CA

Short Film\11 min

A guy, a girl and love...almost.

10:30 pm – 10:45 pm: A Ghastly Tale

Paul Awad, Director/Reston, VA

Short Film/8 min

On a snowy winter night, Elizabeth and Henry's ward, Rebecca, returns after a year's absence but things are not as they seem. A gothic ghost story.

Saturday, October 16, 2010

Noon – 12:05 pm: Introduction

12:05 pm – 12:15 pm: Brittle Time

Caleb Stern, Director; Adam Whitescarver, Producer\Virginia Beach, VA

Short Film\Student-Regent University\17 min

Romance and time travel makes a sticky combination when Ben meets his future self and is given advice on his love life.

12:15 pm – 12:50 pm: The Broken Shield

Thomas Stahl, Artist; Paul Beebe, Editor\Little Hocking, OH\Parkersburg, WV

Short Film\Documentary\Local\30 min

Thirteen original paintings document the story told by 84 year old Jim Lohr, a crewmember of the USS San Jacinto. On April 6, 1945 during Operation Iceberg just off Okinawa, Seaman First Class Ray Hoffman lost his life because of a shield that did not get replaced after being damaged. Lohr tells the story of the attack on the ship by Japanese Kamikaze planes and the subsequent death of his friend and the impact that day had on his life.

12:50 pm – 1:30 pm: The Schartz-Metterklume Method

Jessica Kardos, Director; Peter Gaglio, Ashley Griffis, Max Protengeier, Producers\Athens, OH

Short Film\Student-Ohio University\30 min

The Schartz-Metterklume Method tells the tale of Claretta, a mysterious do-gooder, who is mistaken by the wealthy Atwater family for their newly hired nanny. Claretta shakes the family dynamic up, putting the overbearing Mrs. Atwater in her place, giving the cowardly Mr. Atwater a bit of courage, and allowing their adoring children to reenact the greatest moments of history using the Schartz-Metterklume teaching method. However, when Claretta is discovered for the fraud that she is, she is suddenly put in place herself.

1:30 pm – 2:50 pm: Escribitionist

David Smith and Molly Tilly, Producers\Huntington, WV

Feature Length\1 hr 17 min

Escribitionist tells the story of Josh Thomson, a writer who shares every detail of his daily life on his blog. His bare-all style costs Josh his job and throws his life into a downward spiral. Josh must rely on an obsessive fan named Claire and a cast of unusual characters to help him get back on his feet.

2:50 pm – 3:05 pm: Break

3:05 pm – 3:10 pm: The Last Chance

Dan Spilatro, Director\Chicago, IL

Short\4 min

Rebecca is sick of her lazy boyfriend so she is leaving him. She gives him a note saying she will be getting on the 6:00 bus out of town. Will he make it on time to win her back?

3:10 pm – 3:35 pm: Project Jerusalem

An essay film by Jenna Hill\New York, NY

Short\Documentary\Student-University of Michigan\22 min.

How do we form our values? Our parents? Our environment? Our religion? Project Jerusalem explores the formation and rejection of belief systems through a secular pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Dealing with issues of age, culture, religion, and politics, this essay film tells one woman's story of breaking the cycle of blind acceptance and striving to understand the origin of her beliefs.

3:35 pm – 3:45 pm: Hole

Jonathan Defibaugh, Director\Parkersburg, WV

Short\Local\5 min

Music video of the song, "Hole" by Chemical Valley.

3:45 pm – 4:05 pm: Blackeyed Redemption

Ben Dyer, Director; Chris Free, Producer\Virginia Beach, VA

Short\Student-Regent University\19 min

Billy and Obadiah find out what happens to one bully when life comes full circle. Billy was a bully at a young age and gave Obadiah a hard childhood. Now they have both grown up and gone their separate ways; Billy's life is falling apart before his eyes. After running across a newspaper article about Obadiah's most recent book in the national news Billy

begins to feel the guilt of his actions as a child. Throughout the film Billy struggles with giving up control. Through a few interactions and a little self-reflection Billy is forced to trust.

4:05 pm – 5:00 pm: Seminar: "DSLR Filmmaking", presented by Mic Molinaro

The seminar will include a basic Introduction to using the NEW digital SLR style cameras to shoot video and will also cover the pros and cons of using a DSLR camera, plus how to overcome some of the obstacles one might encounter. Among the topics Molinaro will cover are shooting a video, choosing a file format, transferring footage to a nonlinear editing software, editing and exporting your movie for DVD delivery."

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm: Dinner Break

6:30 pm – 6:35 pm: Introduction

6:35 pm – 6:40 pm: Walter & the Magical Collar

David Cherry, Director and Producer\Virginia Beach, VA
Short Film\Student-Regent University\5 min

Walter the puppy desperately wishes to escape his yard, but he is stopped by a newly installed invisible fence. To make matters worse, a pesky possum won't stop harassing him on account of his predicament. An animated film.

6:40 pm – 7:00 pm: Dawn Bloom

Joshua Overbay, Director; April Champion, Producer\Virginia Beach, VA
Short Film\Student-Regent University\17 min

Dawn Bloom follows an elderly man through the first moments of his day. Woodrow wakes and finds that his wife is absent from bed which is unusual. He finds his wife outside in the cold, staring up at the sky. Worried that her dementia has worsened he dials 911. Oddly, the phone is busy. He turns on the television and quickly learns the world is falling apart, literally. Flashes of light are occurring all over the world and many are experiencing hallucinations, confusion and blindness. Is the world unraveling?

7:00 pm – 8:20 pm: School Play

Eddie Rosenstein, Rick Velleu, Directors and Producers\Brooklyn, NY
Feature Length\Documentary\1 hr 12 min

School Play is a coming-of-age film about the drama of childhood, magnified through the lens of a 5th grade production of "The Wizard of Oz". Challenged by this ambitious school play, Jeffrey, the school bully and outcast must rise above everyone's expectations in order to make it to opening night.

8:20 pm – 8:35 pm: Break

8:35 pm – 10:15 pm: Special Feature; Regional Premier – *Forged* Will Wedig, Director

Josh Crook, Producer and Keynote Speaker will introduce the film with Q&A at the conclusion.

Best Picture at the New York International Latino Film Festival and an Official Selection at the Los Angeles Latino International Film Festival. Set in the cold and rusty steel mill town of Scranton, Pennsylvania, *Forged* follows Chuco (Manny Perez) on his quest to redeem himself from a horrific sin - the murder of his wife. After Chuco's release from prison, his now 13-yr old son, Machito (David Castro) seeks him out for revenge. As Chuco's guilt and Machito's need for a father take hold, they must both find a way to move past impossible circumstances to forge a bond that has been forever broken.

10:15 pm – 10:30 pm: Awards Ceremony