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Tucson Film & Music Festival Presents the "Best Of The Fest" Weekend!

Tucson, AZ – (December 4, 2008) -- Tucson Film & Music Festival is proud to present a "Best Of The Fest" weekend, December 11-13th, 2008. Back by popular demand, the weekend long event features some of this year's most popular programs and films and offers a special screening of *A Deal Is A Deal* starring Quantum of Solace's newest "Bond Girl" Gemma Arterton.

All programs will be held at The Screening Room (127 E. Congress Street). Tickets are \$7 for Thursday the 11th; \$5 Friday and Saturday, and can be purchased at The Screening Room box office.

Films to be screened:

Full Moon Lightnin'

Directed by John Gardiner, the music documentary stars New York City bluesman Floyd Lee (www.floydlee.com) preceded by a solo concert with Tucson blues maestro Tom Walbank, sponsored by the Tucson Blues Society. Tickets \$7 for both the concert and screening.

A Deal Is A Deal (www.adealisadeal.com)

This hilarious comedy directed by Jonathan Gershfield stars Mackenzie Crook, (BBC's The Office, Pirates of the Caribbean trilogy) Gemma Arterton, (Quantum of Solace's sexy new Bond girl) and OscarTM -nominee Imelda Staunton (Vera Drake, Harry Potter).

Music Videorama

This program showcases videos from Radiohead, Dengue Fever, INTERPOL, Greyboy Allstars, Tucson's own The Mission Creeps and more!

Deadline approaching! The festival is also currently seeking submissions for "Tucson: SR77" – a competition that challenges Tucson filmmakers to produce a short film that captures the creative heart and soul of Tucson. Submissions are free and the winning entries will be showcased at a special screening or as part of the TFMF festival open in 2009.

Details for the "Tucson: SR77" Competition:

How does Tucson inspire you? Submit a short that illuminates the best of Tucson's art and music scene for the chance to be showcased in a special screening hosted by the Tucson Film & Music Festival. "Tucson: SR77" submissions do not require music; however, film soundtracks must feature Tucson-based bands and artists.

The not-so-fine-print (the RULES):

Length: no longer than 5 minutes.

Submission Fee: Free! Deadline: January 15, 2009

Send the link to Upstairs Film: filmfest@upstairsfilm.com

Or send your video on a CD or DVD as a Large (720 or 1080) Quicktime to:

TFMF c/o **Upstairs Entertainment, Inc.** 5512 Hollywood Blvd Suite #201 Los Angeles CA 90028

The 2008 Tucson Film and Music Festival presented smash performances by The Sibleys, Gram Rabbit, Tom Walbank, Marianne Dissard, ytcracker, The Gold Brothers and more. Audiences were treated to narrative and documentary films that capture the spirit of the Southwest, the heart and soul of music, or a unique blend of the two. For photos from the festival, please visit: www.tucsonfilmandmusicfestival.com

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