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Tucson Film & Music Festival Celebrates Closing Night at The Historic Rialto with Closing Night Film “Rock Prophecies” & TFMF After Dark: “Lost Dream”

Los Angeles, CA & Tucson, AZ -- (September 30, 2009) – The 5th annual Tucson Film & Music Festival (TFMF) is pleased to announce its closing night festivities. The very special evening will take place at The Rialto Theatre in downtown Tucson on Sunday, October 11, 2009. The evening commences at 7:30 pm with the TFMF Closing Night Film “Rock Prophecies” (AZ Premiere), John Chester’s feature-length documentary film exploring the amazing career of legendary rock ‘n’ roll photographer Robert M. Knight, as he quests to find the world’s next guitar legend. The evening continues at 9:30 pm with the new TFMF After Dark program: the Southwest Premiere of writer/director Asif Ahmed’s acclaimed “Lost Dream,” featuring Michael Welch (Twilight) and Shaun Sipos (Melrose Place 2009); the evening will also serve as a “cinematic” homecoming, as the film’s producer and University of Arizona alumni Mae Nekoba returns to Tucson for the screening, joining Asif Ahmed and Michael Welch for a Q&A following the film.

About Rock Prophecies:

Imagine seeing bands like Led Zeppelin or the Rolling Stones long before they became famous. Legendary rock photographer Robert Knight did just that, and has the photos to prove it. ROCK PROPHECIES explores Robert’s amazing career and follows him on his quest to help the bands of today become the rock legends of tomorrow, whether promoting Panic at the Disco before anybody has heard of them, or convincing Aussie band Sick Puppies to sell everything and move to the United States. When Robert stumbles upon Tyler Dow Bryant – a 16-year old guitar phenom from Texas – he’s convinced he may have found the next Stevie Ray Vaughan. Robert risks his reputation and career and takes a chance on Tyler. The two then set off on an unbelievable journey to take their own shot at making history. www.rockprophecies.com

About Lost Dream:

Two college students, Perry and Giovanni, develop a delicate friendship based on their mutual suicidal behavior. Perry (Michael Welch, Twilight), the son of a corrupt Congressman, is tormented by his position in society. Giovanni (Shaun Sipos, Melrose Place 2009), distraught by a troubled childhood, has lost his desire to live. Together, they challenge each other's existence in search of salvation. www.lostdreamfilm.com

Sunday, October 11th

The Rialto Theatre, 318 E. Congress St. (www.rialtotheatre.com)

7:30 pm **Rock Prophecies**

9:30 pm **Lost Dream**

Tickets: Tickets are \$5 for each screening and can be purchased in advance at brownpapertickets.com or at The Rialto on the day of the show.

TFMF Festival Badges:

TFMF badge holders get access to all film and music events. The all-access TFMF badge is \$40 and available now at: <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/producer/10008>

To view the complete TFMF Film and Music schedule, please go to:
http://www.tucsonfilmandmusicfestival.com/html/festival_schedule.html

About TFMF:

The Tucson Film & Music Festival (TFMF) celebrates the past, present and future of the Tucson, Arizona music and filmmaking scene, showcasing music-related content, International music artists, and films and filmmakers with a connection to the Southwest. TFMF has screened over 100 films since its inception in 2005. Now in its fifth year, TFMF boasts an attendance of over 3,000 filmgoers and has screened several Arizona and World premieres including Anvil! The Story of Anvil by Sacha Gervasi, “The Criterion Collection” Border Radio by Allison Anders, Adventures of Power by Ari Gold, Hell on Wheels by Bob Ray, and Scott Walker: 30 Century Man by Stephan Kijak. The music festival has featured over 120 bands including Calexico, MC Lars, Fishbone, Doo Rag, Friends of Dean Martinez, John Doe, The Supersuckers, Kirsten Hersh, Giant Sand and more! Last year’s musical highlights included smash performances by Margot & The Nuclear So and So’s, The Sibleys, Gram Rabbit, Tom Walbank, Marianne Dissard, ycracker, and The Gold Brothers.

For more on the festival, please visit: <http://www.tucsonfilmandmusicfestival.com/>

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