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DEL RAY FILMFEST AT FIREFLIES ANNOUNCES SLATE

Film Series Features Filmmakers from the Washington Metropolitan Region

(Alexandria VA) May 23, 2009 – The Del Ray FilmFest at FireFlies announces its confirmed slate of films set to screen in Alexandria, VA, at FireFlies Restaurant every Sunday during the month of June on Sundays at 8 pm.

“This series of screenings is designed to showcase local filmmakers and their projects among neighbors and citizens of the Del Ray community and beyond,” says Dan Lichens, one of the Festival’s creators and owner of FireFlies. “As importantly, we want to expose audiences and film patrons who might not have an opportunity to attend more formalized festivals within the independent film circuit. Attendees of the Del Ray FilmFest at FireFlies can enjoy an exclusive screening, meet and have access to the filmmakers and dine for a fraction of the cost of going to the theaters.”

Each film will be introduced by its director and followed by lively discussion with cast and crew.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY WES (Screening June 7) / Director: Joshua Otis Miller – A story of how a hidden truth was revealed shatters a friendship shared between three best friends. *For trailer, visit <http://www.c-istudios.com/films/>*

EAT, SLEEP, REPEAT (Screening June 7) / Director: Joshua Otis Miller – A short film about living without boundaries and learning to break life’s daily routine. *For trailer, visit <http://www.c-istudios.com/films/>*

A PLACE TO LAND (Screening June 14) / Director: Lauren DeAngelis – Award-winning documentary about the journeys of homeless parrots in captivity across the nation, from foster homes in Northern Virginia to remote sanctuaries in Arizona and Utah. *For trailer, visit <http://www.flyawayfilms.com/APlacetoLand.html>*

PANCHO GOES TO COLLEGE (Screening June 21) / Director: Rubén Reyes – Award-winning comedy about one college student’s adaptation to his new life away from the barrio and his culture. Can Pancho adapt? Will he survive away from home? *For deleted scene footage, visit <http://www.panchogoestocollege.com/trailers.html>*

CODEWORD SECRET (Screening tbd) / Director: Barry Gribble – An action comedy about Johnny Newman, a high-flying player who gets drafted into the CIA. *For trailer, visit, <http://www.codewordsecret.com/>*

NINJAS VS ZOMBIES (Closing Night June 28) / Director: Justin Timpane -- Seven friends, struggling with late 20s and early 30s life, find themselves in terrifying danger when a long-dead loved one is magically resurrected and starts devouring souls. *For trailer, visit <http://nvzmovie.com/>*

Films will screen at FireFlies, 1501 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia, on Sundays throughout the month of June. In addition to the evening screenings, Del Ray FilmFest at FireFlies will offer culinary and drink specials and host Washingtonians celebrating our region’s expanding filmmaker population. For more information on screen times, ticketing and schedule changes, visit www.delrayfilmfest.org

The Festival is led by Leslie Keating, Festival Director and PR Manager; Dan Lichens, Programming Director and Owner, FireFlies; and Matt Van Gasbeck, Festival Graphic Artist and Associate Programmer.