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THE 2019 ROVING EYE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL International Festival Enters 14th Year in Collaboration with Roger Williams University and Curated by University Students

(BRISTOL, RI:) The 14^m Annual Roving Eye International Film Festival at Roger Williams University, presented in collaboration with the Flickers' Rhode Island International Film, kicks off April 8^m and runs through the 14^m. This year's programming features over 70 films from across the world including Academy Award nominees and winners, numerous World and US Premieres; panel discussions/symposia; visiting filmmakers and student film showcases. The event will conclude with the Spring 2019 Edwin S. Soforenko Foundation Film/Speaker Series On The Jewish Experience.

Students at the University, with the guidance of Flickers' Rhode Island International Film Festival, create the Roving Eye International Film Festival through the Film Minor senior course, "Curation and Film Festival Production." Flickers' Executive Director and RWU Professor, George T. Marshall teaches the senior-level course. Students spent the first part of the spring semester reviewing more than 500 films and create, curate and market the entire event.

The **2019 Roving Eye International Film Festival** is sponsored by The RI Film & the Television Office; Flickers' Rhode Island International Film Festival; WSBE Rhode Island PBS; Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia, Edge Media Network, the Edwin S. Soforenko Foundation, RWU School of Humanities, Arts and Education, Dean Cynthia Scheinberg, RWU Department of Communication, Graphic Design and Web Development, Dr. Roxanne O'Connell, Department Chair, RWU Hillel, THE RWU HAWK'S HERALD, The RWU Musician's Guild, The RWU Inter-Residence Hall Association (IRHA) and the RWU American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) and the Spiritual Life Office.

To see a listing of this year's programming and to learn more about the Roving Eye Festival, go to: <u>http://www.film-festival.org/RovingEye.php</u>

ABOUT ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY:

Roger Williams University, located on the coast of Bristol, R.I., is a forward-thinking private university with 45 undergraduate majors spanning the liberal arts and the professions, where students become community-minded citizens through project-based, experiential learning. With small classes, direct access to faculty and boundless opportunity for real-world projects, RWU students develop the ability to think critically while simultaneously building the practical skills that today's employers demand. In addition to its 4,000 undergraduates, RWU is home to more than a dozen graduate programs, a thriving School of Continuing Studies based in Providence as well as Rhode Island's only law school. For more information, go to: <u>www.rwu.edu</u>.

ABOUT FLICKERS' RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL:

The **Flickers' Rhode Island International Film Festival** (RIIFF) has secured its place in the global community as the portal for the best in international independent cinema, earning the respect of domestic and foreign filmmakers, filmgoers and trend watchers. Ranked as one of the top 10 Festivals in the United States, RIIFF is a qualifying festival for the Live Action, Documentary and Animation Short Academy Awards through its affiliation with the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences, the Canadian Screen Awards and the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA). There are only 10 film festivals worldwide that share this distinction and RIIFF is the only festival in New England. The Festival takes place every August.

For more information about the **Flickers' Rhode Island International Film Festival**, running Aug. 6-11, 2019 at **The Vets** (formerly Veterans Memorial Auditorium), One Avenue of the Arts, Providence, RI. Please visit **www.RIFilmFest.org** or call 401.861.4445.

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