2007 Calendar of Events

RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

<u>Tuesday, August 7, 2007</u>

11[™] ANNUAL RHODE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL BEGINS Kick off six days of the finest independent filmmaking from around the world

FILM FESTIVAL REGISTRATION & HOSPITALITY

(For Filmmakers and Media) **Time:** 12:00 Noon-6:00 p.m. **Location:** Biltmore Hotel; 11 Dorrance Street, Providence, RI; (401) 421-0700

RIIFF OPENING NIGHT EVENTS

All events take place at the **Providence Performing Arts Center**, 220 Weybosset Street, Providence

Thanks to our Opening Night Committee for their support in making this event a reality: Eva Anderson, Thomas Andreozzi, Bob Billington, Paul Brooks, Gary Calvino, Demetria Carr, Lisa Churchville, Mayor David M. Cicilline, Curt Columbus, Michael Corrente, Joyce Dinobile, Barnaby Evans, Barry Fain, Gail & Ed Fogarty, Kevin Hawkins, Jack McConnell, Lynne McCormack, Matt Montgomery, John Palumbo, Lynn Singleton, Jim Vickers, Deb Walsh and Nate Watson

OFFICIAL RED CARPET RECEPTION

5:00 p.m.

Meet and speak with this year's visiting filmmakers and special guests, at an exclusive cocktail party.

Tickets are \$100 and include the entire evening of RIIFF events listed below The preopening invitation only Party will focus on film as an international medium of expression. The event begins at 5:00 p.m. Our host for this special party is Lisa Churchville, President/CEO, WJAR TV 10. The event will take place in the Marquee Room. Catering is by Ellen Loconto Catering. Music by jazz pianist Lois Vaughan. A limited number of tickets for this event are available.

FILM FESTIVAL SCREENING PRESENTATION

7:00 p.m.

Salute to the Art of the Short Film

Tickets are \$15 Since RIIFF is the only New England Festival that serves as a qualifier for the Short Film Academy Award, it seemed appropriate to open this year's Festival with a showcase of some of the best examples of world shorts. Our opening night is a fundraiser for the Patricia Neal Scholarship Fund. For 2007, we will present our screenings in 35mm film on PPAC's 50 foot screen.

Films to be Screened:

"Happy Monday" "Matters of Life & Death" "Orchids" "Personal Spectator" "Room 10" "Tanghi Argentini" "The Happiest Day of His Life" "Welcome Home"

CELEBRATION 11: RIIFF OPENING GALA

9:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$35

Following our Gala premiere screening, everyone is welcome to join us for a night of festivities! We'll be paying tribute to our visiting filmmakers from around the globe. Chat with old friends, meet some new ones; plan your week at the Festival and celebrate the launch of the 11th Annual Rhode Island International Film Festival. The location will be the PPAC lobby area. New this year will be a taste of Providence with catering by *Biltmore Catering, Blaze, Pizza Pieer, Efendi's, India, Jessie's at Atwells, , Fresh City, Nick's, Pinelli-Marra, Schroders.* Refreshments by Tommy Bahama Rum, Harpoon Beer, Empire Soda. Flowers by Jephry's of Broadway.