



## Yorkton Film Festival Announces Festival Screenings

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For immediate release

Yorkton, SK – Randy Goulden, Executive Director of the Yorkton Film Festival, is pleased to announce the screenings of **15 Minutes of Fame** and **45 RPM**

### **15 Minutes of Fame**

**Free Public Screening - 1:30pm to 4:30pm**

**Thursday May 21**

**Godfrey Dean Cultural Centre in Yorkton**

SCN's series of short films, where the people of Saskatchewan tell unique stories about our province.

- *King Trapper Franklin Carriere (Randy Johns)*  
*Champion King Trapper Franklin Carriere shows the skills needed to be successful in the bush as a working trapper as well as the drive and determination necessary to compete in winter festival competitions against contestants half his age.*
- *The Myth of McKim Road (Don Coleman)*  
*For many years, residents of east-central Saskatchewan have reported sightings of unexplained lights along a rural gravel road between Melville and Yorkton. Four students from the Melville Comprehensive School interview other students and film on location at McKim Road*
- *Transformations (Norris Currie)*  
*The Southwest Quilters Guild takes a look at the art of quilting. We see how it has been transformed over the decades and how it continues to transform those who love quilts and quilting.*
- *Old George (Raymond Lacusta)*  
*Most people know George Chopping as "Old George" of the mansion museum at Whitewood, Sask., which was built in 1885. Carolyn Thauberger has known George from childhood and can describe his creative abilities to a tee. We discover George's Hidden Village, the making of the book "Bottles of the Canadian Prairies" and an impressive looking Saloon built from recycled materials*
- *Duck Lake: History in Harmony (Beau Langevin)*  
*Duck Lake is one of the oldest communities in the province of Saskatchewan. It serves as a hub for many attractions and history. We hear from local residents whom boast community connections.*
- *A Fight for Life (Donavon Feuring)*  
*A year and a half ago Jared weighed over three-hundred pounds. Realizing his unhealthy lifestyle and the dangers of obesity he began to train Muay Thai Kickboxing and Brazillian Jui Jitsu. We'll take a comprehensive look at Jared's long hard journey*
- *Street Art: Regina Graffiti (Joy McConnell)*  
*An exploration of graffiti in Regina. An unbiased look at the power of graffiti.*

- *Mind Body Spirit (Nils Sorenson)*  
Filmmaker Nils Sorenson explores the community ju-jitsu club of Pense, Sask. and follows its members through training, competition, and the teaching and learning skills –providing a glimpse into the lives of those who participate in martial arts.
- *Backstage: Building Sets at the Globe (Mel Malinowski)*  
Mason Roth is a creative designer at the Globe Theatre in Regina. Mason is a set builder who creates the magic of live theatre. He shares the challenge, frustrations and deep satisfaction when it all works out in the end.
- *Generations Ahead (Angela Edmunds & Marcel Petit)*  
A school in the middle of the prairies, working to instil confidence and a sense of pride in young men and women who aspire to greater things in the place they call home.

## **45 RPM**

**Free public screening – 7pm**

**Thursday May 21**

**The Parkland Room at the Painted Hand Casino**

A coming-of-age feature film produced in Saskatchewan in 2007. Filmed on location in Regina, the Qu'Appelle Valley and in the village of Bulyea, **45 RPM** was written and directed by Saskatoon's David Schultz, and co-produced by Saskatoon-based Karma Film and Calgary-based Nomadic Pictures.

**45 RPM** tells the story of two teenage best friends growing up in Cold War-era 1960 in the remote northern Saskatchewan town of Goose Lake. Considered outsiders by other students, they dream about leaving and when they discover the perfect spot on the roof for receiving a rock 'n roll radio signal from New York City, fate seems to be at work. Evoking the magic of first discovering the music that becomes the soundtrack to pivotal phases in our lives, **45 RPM** is a coming-of-age tale about the value of friendship, the need to dream and the challenges of real life.

Remstar Distribution and Alliance Films present **45 RPM** starring newcomers **Jordan Gavaris** and **Justine Banzky** as the best friends, as well as **Michael Madsen** ("Reservoir Dogs"), **August Schellenberg** ("Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee"), **Amanda Plummer** ("Pulp Fiction"), **Kim Coates** ("Blackhawk Down, "CSI: Miami") and **Mackenzie Porter** ("Dinosapiens"). Written and directed by **David Schultz**, the executive producer is **Don Carmody** and the feature film is produced by Michael Frislev and Chad Oakes and co-produced by Anand Ramayya. The director of photography is **Craig Wroblewski** csc, the editor is **Bridget Durnford** and original music is by **Michael Neilson**.

Writer/director David Schultz and producer Anand Ramayya will be in attendance for a question and answer period following the screening.

## **About the Yorkton Film Festival**

The Yorkton Film Festival is the longest running film festival in North America. In the 62 years of its existence, the Festival has developed a tradition of recognizing excellent films and providing great professional development and learning opportunities. The Festival recognizes outstanding Canadian short films and rewards the very best with the annual Golden Sheaf Awards. **Join us May 21-24, 2009.**

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