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23rd ANNUAL FLORIDA FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES CALL FOR ENTRIES AND ONLINE SUBMISSIONS

Orlando, FL (August 16, 2013) – Entries officially are being accepted for the 23rd Annual Florida Film Festival sponsored by Full Sail University, April 4-13, 2014. Qualified filmmakers can submit their entries through Florida Film Festival's online entry form on floridafilmfestival.com or through Withoutabox.com.

Competition categories include short films (both narrative and animation), documentary films (both short and feature length), narrative features, and international films (both short and feature length). Awards are determined by a jury of film professionals and by audience ballot.

Deadlines to submit are:

SHORTS DEADLINES

Early: October 18, 2013

Late: November 15, 2013

FEATURES DEADLINES

Early: November 8, 2013

Late: December 6, 2013

The Florida Film Festival is accredited as a qualifying festival for the Oscars® in the Live Action Short and Animated Short film categories. The winner of the Grand Jury Award in each of these categories will automatically qualify to enter the following year's Academy Awards®.

For additional questions, please visit www.FloridaFilmFestival.com, contact the Florida Film Festival's programming department by calling (407) 644-5625, email

filmfest@enzian.org, or send U.S. mail to Florida Film Festival, 1300 South Orlando Avenue, Maitland, FL 32751

FLORIDA FILM FESTIVAL

The Florida Film Festival is the premier showcase in Central Florida for American independent and international film. The Festival, which debuted in 1992, is a core program of ENZIAN, a nonprofit cultural organization founded in 1985. ENZIAN and the Florida Film Festival have served more than 1.5 million guests and hosted Academy Award winning celebrities including Paul Newman, Oliver Stone, Christopher Walken, Jon Voight, Cliff Robertson, Rod Steiger, Barry Levinson and Haskell Wexler.

The Festival is funded in part by national and local corporations and receives government support via Orange County Government through the Arts and Cultural Affairs Tourism Program. The festival is also supported by United Arts of Central Florida with funds from the United Arts Campaign and by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Arts Council, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

PRIMARY SPONSOR: FULL SAIL UNIVERSITY

Full Sail University is an award-winning educational leader for those pursuing careers in the entertainment and media industry. Founded in 1979, Full Sail has been recognized as one of the Top Five Game Degree Programs by *Electronic Gaming Monthly*, one of the Best Music Programs by *Rolling Stone Magazine*, and one of the Best Film Programs by *UNleashed Magazine*. Recently, Full Sail received the “21st Century Best Practices in Distance Learning Award” from the United States Distance Learning Association, was named the “School/College of the Year” by the Florida Association of Postsecondary Schools and Colleges, and was recognized as one of the Top 100 Social Media Colleges by Studentadvisor.com.

Full Sail offers on-campus and online Master’s, Bachelor’s, and Associate’s degree programs in areas related to animation, art business, education, graphic design, film, marketing, web development, music, recording arts, sports, and video games. Full Sail graduate credits include work on Oscar, Emmy®, Grammy®, ADDY®, MTV Video Music Award, and Spike Video Game Award nominated and winning projects.

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