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MONTCLAIR FILM RE-OPENS CINEMA505 WITH SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER PROGRAMS

Flood Fundraising Efforts Ongoing

*Partnership with The Nature Conservancy, Free screening of **The Listening Project** join New Releases, the return of the StorySLAM series, and the launch of monthly Montclair Improv Comedy show*

September 7, 2018, MONTCLAIR, NJ – After flooding on August 11, 2018 caused over \$60,000 in damage to their home at 505 Bloomfield Ave in downtown Montclair, NJ, Montclair Film today announced that Cinema505 will re-open on Sunday, September 16, 2018 with a screening of **THIS TIME NEXT YEAR**, presented in partnership with The Nature Conservancy. While work in the building will be completed by September 14th, Montclair Film will continue fundraising efforts via its Facebook Fundraising campaign through the end of September. Donations to the campaign can be made at bit.ly/505FloodFund

Additionally, September 30th will see the Montclair Film partnering with Gelotti, located at 571 Bloomfield Ave in Montclair, for a day of scooping and support. Gelotti will be donating 100% of the profits for the day to Montclair Film's flood recovery campaign, and Montclair Film staff and trustees will be on hand to scoop your favorite flavors and thank patrons for their support.

The Nature Conservancy is partnering with Montclair Film to present **THIS TIME NEXT YEAR**, directed by Jeff Reichert and Fariyah Zaman, which tells the story of post-Hurricane Sandy recovery on the Jersey Shore. This screening will feature a post-screening discussion about the future of the Jersey Shore featuring Reichert and Zaman, Angela Anderson (Sustainability Coordinator for Long Beach Township), Joe Mangino (Co-Founder, New Jersey Organizing Project), Tom Harrington (Associate Director, Urban Coast Institute at Monmouth University), Patricia Doerr (Director of Coastal and Marine Projects at The Nature Conservancy), and John Truscinski (Coastal Resilience Manager, The Nature Conservancy). Patrons will enjoy popcorn and branded string bag with plush horseshoe crab, compliments of The Nature Conservancy.

On September 29th and October 20th, Montclair Film will also be launching a new program with **Montclair Improv Comedy**, conceived and performed by Montclair NJ residents Bob Kulhan, Gary Rudoren and featuring an All-Star Cast of NJ improv talent. Saturday night performances follow our

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monthly StorySLAM, and each performance will be a mix of cast members and improv forms, providing laughs and surprises for audiences.

New cinematic releases return to Cinema505 on September 20, with a weekend run of the critically acclaimed documentary **BISBEE '17**, directed by Robert Greene, which tells the true story of a community in Arizona that deported its immigrant workers in 1917 when they stood up for better living and working conditions. Greene will attend for a Q&A following the September 22 screening. The Newark-set MFF 2018 hit **306 HOLLYWOOD**, directed by Elan and Jonathan Bogarin, returns October 4 for a limited engagement at Cinema505, followed by a weekend run of **RODENTS OF UNUSUAL SIZE**, directed by Quinn Costello, Chris Metzler, and Jeff Springer.

Montclair Film will also be screening **THE LISTENING PROJECT**, featuring interviews with 15 young adults in their 20s and 30s who were diagnosed with hearing loss as young children. They discuss their experiences growing up with hearing loss at a time before newborn hearing screening and before the advent of modern hearing technology like cochlear implants. Their stories demonstrate what is possible for children with hearing loss today with the advances and technology that are now available. A Q&A with filmmakers Irene Taylor Brodsky, Jane Madell follows the screening, and both the film and Q&A will be open captioned. *This film is co-presented by Carolyn Smaka, AuD.*

The complete lineup, including show times and ticketing information, is now available at montclairfilm.org

Images for all films can be found at <http://bit.ly/MontclairFilmSeptemberOctober2018>

The Films

September 16, **THIS TIME NEXT YEAR**, directed by Jeff Reichert and Fariyah Zaman

September 20-23, **BISBEE '17**, directed by Robert Greene

September 20, **THE LISTENING PROJECT**, directed by Irene Taylor Brodsky and Jane Madell

September 29, **STORYSLAM: BACK TO SCHOOL**

September 29, **MONTCLAIR IMPROV COMEDY**

October 4-7, **306 HOLLYWOOD**

October 12-13, **RODENTS OF UNUSUAL SIZE**, directed by Chris Metzler, Jeff Springer, Quinn Costello

October 20, **STORYSLAM: SPOOKY STORIES**

October 20, **MONTCLAIR IMPROV COMEDY**

ABOUT MONTCLAIR FILM

Montclair Film, a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization, nurtures, and showcases the talents of filmmakers from around the region and world. Montclair Film unites, empowers, educates, and celebrates our region's diverse cultural heritage and robust artistic community by presenting engaging programs and events all year long. The eighth annual Montclair Film Festival will take place from May 3-12, 2019. Montclair Film's year-round and festival programming is made possible through generous support from Investors Bank; Audible; Hackensack Meridian Health; the Horizon Foundation for New Jersey; Ashenfelter, Slous, Trembulak, McDonough, Golia & Trevenen, LLP; Chubb; Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage; William H. Connolly & Co.; The Nature Conservancy, and others. Our programs are made possible by funds from the New Jersey Department of State, Division of Travel and Tourism, as well as the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. For information about Montclair Film, visit www.montclairfilm.org

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