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**2008 RHODE ISLAND**  
**INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**  
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**RIIFF'S ANNUAL PRESENTATION AT THE**  
**ORIGINAL GLBT EXPO IN NYC**  
**FESTIVAL COLLABORATES WITH LONG ISLAND GAY AND**  
**LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL TO PRESENT VIDEO LOUNGE**

**(Providence, RI March 30, 2008)** The **Rhode Island International Film Festival (RIIFF)** teams up with the **Long Island Gay and Lesbian Film** to host the Original GLBT Expo's Video Lounge, April 5 and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at the Jacob Javits Center, New York City. The Expo's attendance reaches 20,000 annually and attracts people from all over the world. The lounge will consist of 400 square feet on the floor of the Expo and will provide Expo attendees with entertainment and relaxation, showcasing New York and New England's GLBT Film makers and the latest videos featuring the main stage performers.

"Every year, RIIFF participates at this respected Expo in the Big Apple where we promote the Festival, our GLBT sidebar and encourage visitors to come visit the Ocean State," said George T. Marshall, Executive Director of the **Rhode Island International Film Festival**.

"This year, along with our popular booth, we will be co-hosting the first-ever video lounge with our friends at the Long Island Gay and Lesbian Film Festival. This promises to be an exciting event as many of our alumni filmmakers will be on hand to answer questions and present new work."

"The video lounge is shaping up to be an exciting venue for film makers to connect to their audience, and publicize their latest films," states Adam Short, RIIFF's Producing Director.

"Thanks to the hard work of Stephen Flynn, director of the Long Island Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, we will have NY film makers introducing trailers for their movies that will be premiering on the festival circuit this year, shorts films, and plenty of music videos. It promises to be an exceptional marketing opportunity and a means to promote the Ocean State as a GLBT-friendly destination.

"Our thanks to the City of Providence, the Providence/Warwick CVB, and the City of Warwick for their support," added Mr. Short.

**ABOUT THE RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL:**

The **Rhode Island International Film Festival (RIIFF)** discovers and empowers filmmakers. Held in Providence, and locations throughout the state of Rhode Island, RIIFF is one of only a handful of festivals worldwide that is a qualifying event for the Academy Awards (i.e. "Oscars"). RIIFF incorporates gala celebrations, premiere screenings, VIP guests, industry

seminars, educational programs, and award ceremonies into a week long extravaganza. Cited as one of the "Best International and Short Film Festivals in the United States," RIIF is New England's largest film festival, screening a record 300 films. Its innovative programming, cultivated industry ties, and loyal audiences have made the Festival a strategic and desirable platform for film premieres, drawing hundreds of independent filmmakers from around the globe.

For more information, write RIIF, P.O. Box 162, Newport, RI 02840. Telephone: 401-861-4445. E-mail: [info@film-festival.org](mailto:info@film-festival.org). The official website is located at [www.RIFilmFest.org](http://www.RIFilmFest.org)

*A full schedule for the Video Lounge is below. The filmmakers and music artists will appear with their videos. The schedule is subject to change without notice.*

## **2008 VIDEO LOUNGE SCHEDULE**

### **Saturday, April 5, 2008**

11AM-12 Noon – **Film Festival Videos**

12PM- **Erin Greenwell**- (clip from "21", a short pastiche "Aguas de Marco", trailers for film "MOM" and new short "Overnight Book")

12:45PM- **Ryan Janek Wolinski**- (trailer for "Love, June")

1PM- **Frederick Ford**- (music videos including "Out of the Dark" and trailer for film)

1:30PM – Hot New Talent (music videos) - **Soce** the Elemental Wizard with rapper **Deadlee** "Looking Back", **Josh Zuckerman** with Animator/Director **Todd Wahnish** "Another Reason", **Keo Nozari** "Question of Monogamy" **Adam Barta** "I Wanna Hold You"

2PM- **Casper Andreas**- (short "Mormor's Visit", trailer for "A Four Letter Word" and clip from new film "Between Love & Goodbye")

3PM- **Don Newcomb** and **John Goodwin**- (animated shorts "Fabulosity" and "Fairy Tale: Next Gen")

3:30PM- **Leah Meyerhoff**- (music videos "Team Queen" and "Eternal Flame")

4PM- **Adrian Benjamin Burke**- (short "A Soldier's Choice")

4:30PM – New Yorkers Respond With Music ( music videos) – **Deepa Soul** "911 I Can't Breathe" World Premiere, **Brian Kent** "Breathe Life" World Premiere, Dazzle Dancers "The Love Boat"

5PM- **Elizabeth McCarthy** – (short "Broken Strings")

5:30PM- **Randy Jones**- (music videos from new CD "Ticket to the World")

6PM- Wrapping Up (selected videos)

### **Sunday, April 6, 2008**

Noon – 1 PM Film Festival Videos

1PM- **Todd Verow**- (trailers for new film "Between Something & Nothing" & other films)

1:30PM- **Cheryl Furjanic**- (short film "Bar Talk" and the trailer for new feature "Sync or Swim")

2PM- **Spencer Schilly**- (trailers for the features "The Houseboy" & "Summer Thunder")

2:30PM - **Kevin Choi**- (shorts "Game Boy" and "Dissolution of Bodies")

3PM- **Soman Chainini**- (shorts "Kali Ma" and "Davy & Stu")

4PM – Billboard Divas on the Dance Floor (Music Videos) – **Jade Esteban Estrada** "Bella Moena", **Heather Leigh West** "Drop a House", **amberRose Marie** "Destiny", **France Joli** "Artist Highlight Reel"

4:30PM- **Ari Gold**- (music videos)

5PM –Wrapping Up (selected videos) Film Festival Videos include: **Jay Spears** Music Videos- ("I Like Mike" and "Smak Dem Christians Down"), **David Quantic**- ("Push It"), **Kurt Koehler** and **James Edward Quinn**-("Superfag", "Taco Chick and Salsa Girl"and "The Incredible

Dyke"), **Christopher Swank**- ("Daily Routine"), **Austin Young** -("The Stroke"), **Jason & deMarco**- ("This Is Love"),-("Masquerade"), **Luther Mace Charles Lum** Videos, **Diane Wilkins**- ("Boot Scootin Beauty"), **Steve Hutton**- ("AE4HG")

**"SEE AND BE SEEN" AT THE JACOB JAVITS CENTER IN NEW YORK CITY  
AT THE # 1 GLBT EVENT OF THE YEAR!**

Saturday, April 5, 2008: 11 am- 7 pm

Sunday, April 6, 2008: 12 pm- 6 pm

Original GLBT Expo: [www.originalglbtexpo.com](http://www.originalglbtexpo.com)

Rhode Island International Film Festival: [www.RIFilmFest.org](http://www.RIFilmFest.org)

Long Island Gay & Lesbian Film Festival: [www.liglff.org](http://www.liglff.org)

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