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**2011 FLICKERS: RHODE ISLAND
INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**
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CALL FOR FILM ENTRIES:
**15TH ANNUAL FLICKERS: RHODE ISLAND
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FLICKERS: Rhode Island International Film Festival (RIIFF) is now accepting entries for its **15th Annual Film Festival** to be held **August 9-14th, 2011** at venues throughout the state of Rhode Island. The highly prestigious, world-class event is consistently ranked as one of the top Film Festivals in the United States. Academy Award-qualifying, RIIFF presents an exciting program of over 200 films throughout Rhode Island, seminars and post-film parties and gatherings, and is attended by more than 300 filmmakers and film professionals from around the world.

New England's largest film festival, RIIFF has been repeatedly cited by *Moviemaker Magazine* as one of the "Top 25 Film Festivals Worth the Entry Fee," and has earned the respect of domestic and foreign industry, filmmakers, filmgoers and trend-watchers. True to its reputation, RIIFF's program is largely built from submissions, and not from the programs of other festivals. New and seasoned filmmakers alike present their work to audiences passionate about indie film at RIIFF annually. The Festival also honors exceptional screenplays and teleplays in its Screenplay Competition.

Five films that premiered at RIIFF have won Academy Awards, and another eleven have been nominated, while many have garnered distribution from companies like HBO, Cinemax, Sundance, Showtime and IFC. Alum Karen Price (*HOUSEQUAKE*) emphatically states, "I wanted to reiterate what a nice experience we had screening at the RIIFF. The enthusiastic audience and attention by reporters, along with the award I received, made the trip and screening most gratifying. I have only the most positive reviews to share with others about our experience." And to quote Chris Gore, RIIFF is "one of the best international film festivals and top 10 short film festivals in the United States. RIIFF provides the kind of intimate festival experience that will change your life. Don't miss it."

Types of Submission — Feature Narrative (40 min or longer), Documentary, Shorts (under 40 min), Animation, Experimental, Music Videos, Public Service Announcements (PSA) and Rhode Island-made: **Deadline:** May 15, 2011. **Final Deadline:** June 1, 2011. Withoutabox.com **Extended Deadline:** June 15, 2011.

For details and to download an application, visit <http://www.film-festival.org/enterafilm2.php> or call 401.861.4445.

THE FLICKERS' BACKSTORY & MISSION:

The mission of the **Flickers, the Newport Film Society & Arts Collaborative** - now in its 29th year - has been to serve as a creative partner in the arts by uniting various media and arts disciplines that nurture the artistic process and support a vital part of our community. This includes multi-disciplinary art presentations; artistic and cultural activities; performance festivals; video and television productions; audio recordings and broadcasts; educational outreach programs; and the **FLICKERS: Rhode Island International Film Festival (RIIFF)**.

ABOUT THE RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL:

The **FLICKERS: Rhode Island International Film Festival (RIIFF)**, has secured its place in the global community as the portal for the best in international independent cinema, earning the respect of domestic and foreign filmmakers, filmgoers and trend watchers. This confluence of art and commerce brought together world-class celebrities, award-winning filmmakers, new talent and audience members in record numbers last year. Ranked as one of the top 12 Festivals in the United States, RIIFF is also a qualifying festival for the Short Film Academy Award through its affiliation with the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. There are 65 film festivals worldwide which share this distinction and RIIFF is the only festival in New England. The Festival takes place every August. For more information about the festival, please visit www.rifilmfest.org.

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