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Free Renton BestFest to screen 9 films from Washington Multicultural Film Festivals and the winners of Crash Cinema competitions on October 11

CARCO Theatre in Renton will be the place to be for film lovers on Saturday, October 11, as Renton presents the free BestFest, which features a screening of the top films from Washington Multicultural Film Festivals and the winners of Crash Cinema Competitions around the State.

“The Renton BestFest is a tremendous opportunity to celebrate top Washington filmmakers,” commented Ben Andrews, Renton Municipal Arts Commission member, BestFest organizer and member of reelRenton.

A total of nine films will be shown from 7 – 10 p.m. at CARCO Theatre, which is located at 1717 SE Maple Valley Highway in Renton. There is no admission charge.

Schedule to be screened are:

Crash Cinema Competition Films

50 Hour Slam, Spokane
48 Hour Film Festival, Seattle
North Bend Amateur Film Challenge, North Bend
Renton FilmFrenzy, Renton

Multicultural Film Festivals Films

Langston Hughes African American (two films)
Seattle South Asian Film Festival
Seattle Latino Film Festival
Seattle Asian American Film Festival

Andrews said that the screenings will include a discussion with the filmmakers and the audience.

He also noted that this year’s first BestFest is an outgrowth of the popular Renton FilmFrenzy, which is a 50-hour filmmaking competition set from October 3-5. Last year 25 filmmakers participated and competed for \$1,700 in prizes.

Registration for the 2014 FilmFrenzy closes on September 30. Full details, rules and applications are available at www.RentonFilmFrenzy.com.

The Renton FilmFrenzy and BestFest are sponsored by the Renton Community Marketing Campaign, which includes the Renton Chamber of Commerce, Renton School District, UW Medicine/Valley Medical Center, Renton Technical College, Renton Visitors Connection and the City of Renton, with the support of the Renton Municipal Arts Commission and 4Culture.

“The film scene in Renton is hot and these two efforts are just a part of a month long series of terrific film events in Renton,” Andrews said.

For details, visit www.reelrenton.com.

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