Palm Beach State to host Multicultural Film Festival Nov. 17-20

The event is free and open to the public

(Lake Worth, Fla. – Oct. 27, 2010) Palm Beach State College is hosting its second Multicultural Film Festival Nov. 17-20 as part of the College’s ongoing diversity initiatives.

Organized by the College’s District Diversity Committee, the event includes seven films covering such topics as race relations, slavery, the Holocaust, immigration and homosexuality. Films will be shown on different days and times at campuses in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade. It is free and open to the public. General admission tickets will be available 30 minutes prior to each screening. Seated is limited and on a first come, first served basis.

Discussions will immediately follow some of the films. Renegade filmmaker Georg Koszulinski will be on hand for a Q&A after his movie, “Cracker Crazy: Invisible Histories of the Sunshine State,” on Nov. 18. The film examines Florida’s history from a different perspective by bringing to life historical characters spanning over 12,000 years, from Florida’s ancient Indians to migrant farm workers of the 21st century.

The College began holding the film festival last year, and it is among numerous initiatives highlighting the College’s commitment to diversity.

The schedule is as follows:

**Wednesday, November 17, 2010**

Palm Beach State at Boca Raton- Humanities and Technology Building, HT 103, 3000 Saint Lucie Ave.

**Skin (2009) @ 11 a.m.**
Directed by Anthony Fabian. Unrated; 107 minutes
(Followed by a discussion led by Palm Beach State College Associate Professor Africa R. Fine)

**Thursday, November 18, 2010**

Palm Beach State at Palm Beach Gardens - Library, Room LL235, 3160 PGA Blvd.

**Amistad (1997) @ 12:30 p.m.**
Directed by Steven Spielberg. Rated R; 155 minutes
Starring Morgan Freeman, Nigel Hawthorne, Anthony Hopkins & Djimon Hounsou
(Panel discussion after the film)
Palm Beach State at Belle Glade - Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center Lobby, 1977 College Drive Crossing Over (2009) @ 6 p.m.
Directed by Wayne Kramer; Rated R; 113 minutes
Starring Harrison Ford, Ashley Judd & Ray Liotta

Palm Beach State at Palm Beach Gardens - Library, Room LL234, 3160 PGA Blvd.
As Seen Through These Eyes (2009) @ 6:30 p.m.
Directed by Hilary Helstein. Unrated; 70 minutes

Palm Beach State at Lake Worth - Stage West @ the Duncan Theatre, 4200 Congress Ave., Lake Worth
Cracker Crazy: Invisible Histories of the Sunshine State (2007) @ 7 p.m.
A film by Georg Koszulinski; Unrated; 93 minutes
(Followed by a Q&A with filmmaker led by Palm Beach State College Associate Professor Steve Brahlek)

Friday, Nov. 19, 2010
Palm Beach State at Lake Worth- Stage West @ the Duncan Theatre
When the Road Bends: Tales of the Gypsy Caravan (2006) @ 7 p.m.
A film by Jasmine Dellal. Unrated; 110 minutes

Saturday, Nov. 20, 2010
Palm Beach State at Lake Worth - Stage West @ the Duncan Theatre
Word is Out (1977) documentary @ 7 p.m.
A film by Nancy Adair, Andrew Brown & Rob Epstein. Unrated; 133 minutes
(Panel discussion after the film)

Details on the films and a flyer are available at www.palmbeachstate.edu/Diversity.xml. For more information, call (561) 868-3111.

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