

Montreal, Monday Oct 7, 2009

THE MONTREAL GREEK FILM FESTIVAL

Athens based film festival programmer AVRA GEORGIOU and Montreal based film distribution company FILMS TRANSIT are very happy to announce a first time week of contemporary Greek cinema to be held in Montreal at the Cinema du Parc in the week of October 30th until Thursday November 5th.

Sponsored by Montreal restaurant MYTHOS, with the blessing and the support of the Greek Consulate in Montreal, The Hellenic Community of Montreal and the Greek Film Center in Athens and the invaluable collaboration of the team at Cinema du Parc, the festival will present SIX recent fiction films and ONE wonderful documentary. On top of this all we are proud to bring back the all time Greek classic ZORBA THE GREEK in its fully restored version. We are grateful to VISION GLOBALE for their donation of Digital cinema projection equipment.

The cinema of the smaller countries often does not find its way through the traditional distribution channels and many films are rarely seen outside of their own country. Greek cinema with a yearly production of around 25 feature films is no exception.

The films we propose for the Montreal Greek Film Festival represent the different styles and ideas that inspire and move Greek filmmakers today, some of them against the backdrop of emigration as the communities of Greek people living outside of Greece are huge. Montreal is a good example.

Location:

**Cinéma Du Parc
3575 avenue du parc
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The films:

**A SEA APART by Ersi Danou
ATHANASIA: WELL KEPT SECRETS by Panos Karkanevatos
CHARITON'S CHOIR by Gregoris Karadinakis
FALSE ALARM by Katerina Evangelakou
SUGAR TOWN by Kimon Tsakiris (documentary)
THE HOMECOMING by Vassilis Douvlis
THE WEIGHTLIFTER AND ANGEL by Eleni Alexandraki
ZORBA THE GREEK by Michalis Cacoyiannis**

Saturday October 31st will be a special evening with the presentation of the restored version of ZORBA THE GREEK followed by a cocktail reception hosted by the well known Montreal Greek restaurant MYTHOS.

You can consult the programming schedule and the film's synopses at the Cinema du Parc web site

We hope to see you at the screenings!

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