Smoke Damage Won’t Stop ScaredSacred

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Velcrow Ripper’s documentary ScaredSacred will now open at the Cinemark Tinseltown on September 9th instead of the Park Theatre as originally planned. In addition to launching the theatrical premiere, Tinseltown will also host the Ground Zero Awareness Campaign featuring guest speakers, performances and a “Ground Zero Information Centre”. The venue was changed as a result of ongoing repairs to the Park Theatre for smoke damage, the result of a nearby fire last month.

ScaredSacred Producer Cari Green says, "It’s somehow appropriate that a movie about confronting the worst man-made disasters of recent times should itself be affected by smoke damage caused by fire. The show must go on and we’re pleased that CinemarkTinseltown was able to step up and host both the screening of this important movie and the launch of the Ground Zero Awareness Campaign."

With tensions rising worldwide, ScaredSacred looks outward to see what can be learned from the experiences of other places that have faced catastrophe. The movie documents award-winning filmmaker Velcrow Ripper’s unique pilgrimage to visit the Ground Zeros that scar our planet. An important Canadian contribution at a critical time in our history, ScaredSacred deftly weaves together stunning footage with haunting memories, inspirational stories, and an evocative soundscape. It is an exquisite portrait of a search for meaning in times of turmoil.

The Ground Zero Awareness Campaign will feature keynote speeches from Vancouver City Councilor Jim Green, writer Joy Kogawa and many others, as well as performances by Poets Against War. A “Ground Zero Information Centre” will showcase representatives and displays from supporting organizations such as Amnesty International, War Resisters Support Campaign, Greenpeace, Vancouver Chapter of Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan, Women Against Violence Against Women (WAVAW), InterSpiritual Centre of Vancouver, Multifaith Action Society, Vancouver Raging Grannies, and Veterans Against Nuclear Arms (VANA). Events will be held at Cinemark Tinseltown, around showings of the film over its opening weekend, September 9th to 11th. Audience members will be treated to Q & A’s with the filmmaker and guest speakers.

ScaredSacred is produced by Scared Sacred Films in co-production with the National Film Board of Canada in association with VisionTV and ARTE France with the participation of British Columbia Film and Rogers Documentary Fund.

For more information, please go to: http://www.ScaredSacred.org/GroundZero/

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