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STONY BROOK FILM FESTIVAL, PRESENTED BY ISLAND FEDERAL, POSTPONED

(MAY 29, 2020) Stony Brook, NY – Over continued concerns surrounding the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV), the Staller Center for the Arts has postponed the Stony Brook Film Festival, presented by Island Federal, which was initially scheduled for July 16-25, 2020. The Staller Center for the Arts is looking to the Fall for a new date for the Stony Brook Film Festival. However, an official date has not yet been determined.

For 25 years, the <u>Staller Center for the Arts</u> at Stony Brook University has hosted the <u>Stony Brook Film Festival</u>. The Festival hosts nearly 10,000 people over ten days every July, and offers short and feature independent films from all over the world. The Staller Center receives film submissions from Independent filmmakers, producers, sales agents, and distributors. The Stony Brook Film Festival, presented by Island Federal, starts accepting submissions as early as December, and the deadline closes in May. This year, the Festival received over 2,500 submissions. Those who submitted have been contacted, and they are aware that the Festival is postponed.

In response to CoVid-19, the Staller Center is sharing a selection of short films from previous Film Festivals to watch at home. The short films are released weekly on Tuesdays and Fridays and will continue through the end of June. To view the short films, visit stonybrookfilmfestival.com/shorts.

For now, the Staller Center team continues to work safely from home, planning for their next Stony Brook Film Festival and the 2020-2021 season. "We are excited to see all of our patrons soon, but until then, be safe and stay healthy," says Alan Inkles, Staller Center and Stony Brook Film Festival Director.

The Stony Brook Film Festival, presented by Island Federal, hopes to have a new date for the Fall, but until then, patrons and fans can visit stonybrookfilmfestival.com to watch award-winning short films from past Festivals.



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