

2012 Dam Short Film Festival Announces Line-up
Festival Celebrates 8th Anniversary
19 Film Programs, plus Special Events and Premieres
Festival runs February 9-11, 2012 in Boulder City, Nevada

“Our 8th year is full of great films,” said Lee Lanier, executive director of the Dam Short Film Society. The festival takes place in downtown Boulder City over three days. Categories include Drama, Comedy, Sci-Fi, Horror, Documentary, Animation, Student, and Nevada Filmmaker. The short films are grouped into 19 different programs. There are 106 different films this year.

A Press Conference will be held with visiting guest filmmakers on Thursday, February 9th at 5:00 pm at the Boulder Dam Hotel conference room. All members of the press are invited to attend.

Local filmmakers are highlighted by a special showcase. The “Nevada Filmmakers” program occurs Friday, February 10th at 8:30 pm and will screen films from up-and-coming Las Vegas filmmakers. In addition, films from Australia are highlighted on Thursday, February 9th, at 4:30 pm.

For a sixth year, the festival will include a Film Market, where over 1000 short films will be available for check out and viewing.

Tickets to each film program or showcase are \$6 and may be purchased at the door during the event. 3-Day Passes are also available for \$50. All screenings will be held at the Boulder Theatre at 1225 Arizona Street, Boulder City, NV 89005. The 400-seat Boulder Theatre was once Boulder City's movie house. Built in 1931, for years it was the only air-conditioned building in the area. In 1999, actor/musician Desi Arnaz Jr. and his wife Amy purchased the facility. The historic structure has since been restored.

Other events and venues, such as the Filmmaker Press Conference, Filmmaker/Press Lounge, and Film Market, will be held at the Boulder Dam Hotel at 1305 Arizona Street, Boulder City, NV 89005. The Boulder Dam Hotel was built in 1933 to accommodate visiting government and corporate project managers supervising the building of Hoover Dam. The hotel quickly gained a worldwide reputation as a steady flow of dignitaries and celebrities checked in. Famous guests have included Bette Davis, Will Rogers, Boris Karloff, James Cagney, Henry Fonda, and Howard Hughes. It was named to the National Register of Historic Places in 1982.

The Dam Short Film Festival was created by the Dam Short Film Society, a non-profit Nevada corporation founded by Lee and Anita Lanier. The Society is composed of a board of directors, and is currently a non-membership organization. Lee currently serves as executive director and John LaBonney serves as director.

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