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Film Streams receives grant from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences

\$7,500 award supports the nonprofit cinema's Visiting Artists program

Omaha, Nebraska (6/17/2011) – Film Streams, Omaha's nonprofit cinema, is thrilled to announce that it has received a grant from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

The \$7,500 grant has been awarded to support Film Streams' Visiting Artists program, which brings filmmakers and other artists to Omaha for special Q&A screenings and, in some cases, filmmaker workshops. These unique cultural opportunities are open to the public and allow for audiences to gain insight into the process of filmmaking and contribute to a greater understanding and appreciation of film as an art form.

In May, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences announced 68 grants totaling more than \$500,000 to nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher learning throughout the United States as part of its annual Institutional and Internship Grants programs. "The Academy strives to make the motion picture industry as accessible as possible to new talent and the public," said Grants Committee Chair Andrew Marlowe.

In receiving a grant from the Academy, Film Streams joins a remarkable group of awardees. Other recipients of 2011/2012 institutional grants include the American Film Institute, the George Eastman House, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), the Museum of the Moving Image in New York, Northwest Film Forum in Seattle, and the Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM).

Since its establishment in 1968, the Academy has distributed more than 778 institutional grants totaling more than \$6.8 million in funding. For more information on the grants program, visit <http://www.oscars.org/education-outreach/grants/>.

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ABOUT THE ACADEMY

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is the world's preeminent movie-related organization, with a membership of more than 6,000 of the most accomplished men and women working in cinema. In addition to the annual Academy Awards — in which the members vote to select the nominees and winners — the Academy presents a diverse year-round slate of public programs, exhibitions and events; provides financial support to a wide range of other movie-related organizations and endeavors; acts as a neutral advocate in the advancement of motion picture technology; and, through its Margaret Herrick Library and Academy Film Archive, collects, preserves, restores and provides access to movies and items related to their history. Through these and other activities the Academy serves students, historians, the entertainment industry and people everywhere who love movies.

More information at www.oscars.org.

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Film Streams is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing the cultural environment of the Omaha-Council Bluffs area through the presentation and discussion of film as an art form. In July 2007, we opened the Ruth Sokolof Theater, our two-screen cinema located at the corner of 14th & Mike Fahey Street within the Saddle Creek Records development in North Downtown Omaha.

Open 7-days-a-week, Film Streams' two-screen nonprofit cinema features four principal programs: (1) First-Run premieres of new American independents, documentaries, and foreign films; (2) a Repertory program of classics, themed series, and director retrospectives; (3) an innovative Community Development program facilitating film-based collaborations; and (4) an Education program providing film history and criticism for high school students. Complementing each of the above areas is Film Streams' Visiting Filmmakers and Guests program, which brings film professionals to Omaha audiences for everything from special screenings with post-show Q&A's to three-day events featuring both Q&A's and workshops.

For more information, visit us online at www.filmstreams.org.