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**WASHINGTON D.C. INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES
COMEDY FILMS SELECTED FOR 2009 FESTIVAL
Festival to Celebrate Independent Film Culture**

Washington, DC (February 10, 2009) – The eleventh annual Washington DC Independent Film Festival (DCIFF) will run from March 4-15, 2009. This year's festival is about "making a difference," and features films that highlight the value of reaching out to help others and participating in life. Over 100 films will be showcased in twenty-three themed sessions at the Phoenix Theater in Union Station located at 50 Massachusetts Ave., NE, Washington, DC 20002, phone: (202) 842-4455.

Make 'em laugh with an entire session of comedic independent films. For anyone who is interested in the lighter side of life, these films will demonstrate how humor makes a difference. Please visit the DCIFF website (<http://www.dciiff.org/festivalthemes.shtml>) for a complete list of themed sessions.

NOTE: The schedule is subject to change. Please check the DCIFF website (<http://www.dciiff.org>) for the latest information, dates and times.

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Schedule of Comedy Films on Saturday, March 14

7:00pm - Just for Laughs

[Bad High](#) by Corey Bodoh-Creed

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just for Laughs / Short / 5 min / U S A / World Premiere / 2007

Award winning short that tells the story of how after discovering the body of a dead police officer in his backyard, a Rastafarian must hide the body to keep the authorities from finding his marijuana crop.

[Because There Are Things You Never Forget](#) by Lucas M. Figueroa

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just for Laughs / Short / 13 min / Spain / World Premiere / 2008

Naples (Italy), 1950. Four friends are playing soccer out on the street when their ball is accidentally kicked into the evil old lady's yard. They'll never play with their ball again and for that the revenge will be deadly.

[Crossing Numbers](#) by Abel Gonzalez

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just For Laughs / Short / 12 min / U S A / 2007

An award winning short that takes a humorous look at a serious issue - what if an illegal immigrant falls dead in the Mexican-American Border and no one is around, will it make a sound? Does anyone care?

[Karaoke Show](#) by Karl Tebbe

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just for Laughs / Animation / 4 min / Germany / U.S. Premiere / 2008

A hilarious, award winning animation showing the man behind the camera, dancing and dreaming away to be the next Michael Jackson. He should stick to his amazing animation and pick up a few dance lessons along the way.

[Knock Knock Who's There](#) by Adam & Evan Beamer

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just for Laughs / Short / 9 min / U S A / 2008

Award winning film about friendship, marijuana, armed robbery and denim.

Official Selection by Brian Crano

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just for Laughs / Short / 10 min / U S A / 2008

Satire of short experimental and art films in festivals. Or a film about Emily Dickenson having psycho-sexual fantasies about Jesus being waterboarded by a butcher.

Takoma Park by David Andalman

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just For Laughs / Short / 10 min / U S A / 2008

DC filmmaker recounts the life of a young wannabee who has dreams of being in the NBA, taking care of his girlfriend who is pregnant with someone else's kid, and is far from figuring out that he is just a geek from Takoma Park.

The Turtle by Andrew Money

Saturday, March 14 at 7:00pm

Just For Laughs / Short / 29 min / U S A / 2008

A bumbling gangster named "The Turtle" is having the night of his life when a combination of coincidence, clumsiness, and the accidental death of a casino cocktail waitress causes everything to spiral out-of-control in this dark comedy of errors.

The Washington DC Independent Film Festival (DCIFF) is an award-winning annual event that showcases over 100 films representing diverse perspectives and cutting edge filmmaking. Held for twelve days in March, the DCIFF is a non-profit organization of volunteers serving the Capital area since 1999.

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