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Fifth Year Anniversary for Popular Public Event – July 16 to 24

Boston: The "09 Avenue of the Arts Film Festival will begin celebration of its fifth successful year presenting award winning programs of films and events considered always to be "ahead of the curve" as well as entertaining to the public. Acclaimed by many groups and publications, such as Variety, The Boston Globe, Improper Bostonian Boston's Best issues, and Committee Calendar of the Democratic National Convention, the Film Fest has highlighted such subjects as the global environment, the war in Iraq, and now, the economy. Great "Hollywood" films are featured as well at the West End Branch Library venue, which is free and open to the public.

Opening night on Thursday July 16 there will be a special Opening Reception with refreshments and live music at 5 pm featuring the Patrice Monahan Jazz Group. The PBS film documentary I.O.U.S.A. directed by Patrick Creadon, signaling the problems leading to the current financial meltdown, will be screened at 6:15 pm. The Jazz Group will also appear at a Special Reception on July 23 at 5 pm for Filmmaker Steve Alves, presenting two of his new films.

The Wrestler with Oscar nominee Mickey Rourke, Milk, starring "Best Actor" Sean Penn, and Golden Globe "Best Film" Vicky Cristina Barcelona, written and directed by Woody Allen, are among the films featured. Festival Director L. B. Gratun, having received encouragement from Woody on past projects, is pleased to present this gem of a film closing off the program on Friday afternoon, July 24 at 2:30 pm.

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library is located at 151 Cambridge Street, Boston near Government Center, telephone 617-523-3957. L. B. Gratun can be reached at AvenueartsFilmFest@LBGratun.com and at www.LBGratun.com/avenueartsfilm.