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International films featured at local film festival

Creative films from around the globe will be showcased at the International Lifetree Film Fest, a “Red Carpet” event on June 20, 2014. Doors will open at 6:30PM with show starting at 7:00PM. Arrive early for light refreshments and pictures.

The overarching theme of the festival’s short films is people who are “doing life” or “doing good.” The Lifetree Film Fest which will be hosted at Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Harley Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32257. The general public is invited – senior center membership is not required. Ticket cost is \$10 and is all inclusive. According to festival planners, audience members will have an opportunity to choose their favorite film of the evening. A selection of hors d’oeuvres provided by select restaurants throughout Mandarin will be served during intermission. A dessert reception will follow.

The event is sponsored by Lifetree Café—a place where people gather for conversation about life and faith in a casual coffeehouse-type setting. Lifetree Café is hosted weekly at Mandarin Senior Center on Tuesday’s at 3:30PM.

Films that will be featured at the Lifetree Film Fest include:

- **And What Remains** (Directed by Marc Havener)
A universal story of regret, of reconciliation, and of hope, “And What Remains” explores the complexity of a father’s relationship with his son.
- **Born for the Stage** (Directed by Matt Ehling)
“Born for the Stage” documents the efforts of a Minnesota organization to produce the play “Hairspray.” It highlights the unexpected pressures, acclaim, and attention that the actors, their families, and the organization experience. Cameo appearances in the film include John Waters and Marc Shaiman.
- **En Route** (Directed by Colin Levy)
“En Route” follows the life and career of an airline pilot fated to die in a terrible crash. In reverse chronological order, we trace the events and influences that shape his life and define his career until a pivotal moment in his childhood that changes the trajectory of his future.

- **Saving Valentina** (Directed by Eli Noyes)
Filmed by his wife from the bow of their small boat in the Sea of Cortez, Michael Fishbach narrates their accidental encounter with a humpback whale entangled in a gill net and about to die.
- **Breaking Through: Memories of the Tuskegee Airmen** (Directed by Matt Morgan)
surviving members of the Tuskegee Airmen reflect on their lives, their experiences during World War II, and their return home.
- **The Last Race** (Directed by Jeremy Cumpston)
An intensely emotional half hour “race-against-time” drama that follows a group of people all facing their own death or the certain, imminent death of their nearest and dearest.
- **Dream Job** (Directed by Brian Massey)
“Dream Job” follows a promising young man to a job interview, but with all the obstacles he encounters, his day doesn’t quite turn out as expected.

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