



## **Finalists selected for Sir Arthur Film Festival**

ANGEL FIRE, NM --Ten outstanding films have been selected as finalists in five categories at the inaugural Sir Arthur Film Festival, according to event Chairman Paul Davids. The festival, which features films with paranormal themes, is a major element of the 2010 Paranormal Symposium at Angel Fire Resort September 9-12 in Angel Fire, New Mexico. Schedule and activities details are available at [www.aspefiles.org](http://www.aspefiles.org).

"We have a smashing lineup of films," said Davids. "I am thrilled to be the founding chairman of this new film festival, which honors my favorite types of films that are so seldom seen by the general public."

Davids, who served in 2008 and 2009 as chairman of the EBE Awards Film Festival at the International UFO Conference, is a noted producer, writer and director. He is well known for controversial films which often include paranormal themes, including the 1994 Golden Globe nominee "Roswell." Other Davids films popular with paranormal buffs include "Timothy Leary's Dead," "Starry Night," "The Artist and the Shaman," and "The Sci-Fi Boys," which won the Saturn Award as Best DVD of 2006. Davids is currently in production on a feature documentary called "Curtain Calls: The Life After Death Project," and he recently completed a new feature film, "Before We Say Goodbye."

Regarding the unique festival name, Davids said, "Everyone knows Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who created the character Sherlock Holmes. What many don't know is that Doyle was a spiritualist who attended séances and believed in contact with the Other Side. The festival is named in his honor." Davids continued, "So if what to do with those four days in September is a mystery to you, let Sherlock Holmes be your detective - because he's already solved the case and knows you have to go to Angel Fire and be part of this absolutely incredible film festival and conference. We hope the spirit of Sir Arthur will check in on us and that he'll give us a big smile beneath that thick mustache of his."

Competition categories include Best Animated Film, Best Historical Film, Best Film Under 60 Minutes, Best Film Over 60 minutes, and Best Anomalous Footage. Finalists selected for screening at the event include:

Coyote Tales: Mystery's Night

Producer: Frederick Aragon

Director: Frederick Aragon

A short animation which tells the tale of Coyote, who has never been able to make someone love him - and his journey to change that.

7 Weeks

Producers: Caroline Thompson and Steve Nicolaides

Director: Evan York

An artist finds his mind - the wellspring for all he creates - can no longer be trusted with reality.

Bloodline

Producer: Rene Barnett

Director: Bruce Burgess

What if the greatest story ever told was a lie? Discoveries revealed exclusively in Bloodline are sure to re-ignite the controversy over whether Jesus Christ married Mary Magdalene and had children.



#### The Day Before Disclosure

Producer: Terje Toftenes

Director: Terje Toftenes

A film documenting the growing awareness and the build up to what can potentially be the single most important event in human history - the day the UFO and ET presence becomes a world wide accepted reality. This is the story of the witnesses who were laughed at, the researchers and reporters who weren't believed and the governmental and military personnel who were sworn to silence.

#### The Portal - The Hessdalen Phenomenon

Producer: Terje Toftenes

Director: Terje Toftenes

For generations, mysterious lights and objects have been observed in the remote valley of Hessdalen, Norway. The phenomenon has been reported as large as a house or as small as a basketball. Both Norwegian and international researchers are involved in trying to reveal the true nature of the phenomenon.

#### Utopia on the Rio Grande

Producer: Robin Riley

Director: Robin Riley

In the 19th century a group of spiritual pilgrims were inspired to create an idealistic community in the New Mexico Territory. This is the story of how that colony came into being, flourished, and was absorbed back into the desert wilderness.

#### What on Earth? Inside the Crop Circle Mystery

Producer: Suzanne Taylor

Director: Suzanne Taylor

Shot in England, this film features "croppies" who've been profoundly touched by the circles. It deals with how ascertaining the circles come from elsewhere would help us think as a planet which would give us our best chance to solve global problems.

#### Rose

Producer: Michael Silberman

Director: Hoku Uchiyama

Rose is a fictional rural American tale about a little boy's friendship with the ghost of a murdered girl who haunts the woods near his house.

#### Cosmic Granny

Producer: Jody McNicholas

Director: Jody McNicholas

This is a playful film with a delightful message of inclusivity and fearlessness. Over homemade jam our hearts and minds open to the naturalness of our interconnectedness. We are not alone, but part of a huge multi-dimensional family that extends way beyond our little planet.

#### The Silent Revolution of Truth

Producers: Michael Horn and Jack Gerlack

Director: Jack Gerlack

In 1958, Billy Meier predicted the Iraq Wars, AIDS, global warming and terrorism; and . . . he'd



already been to the moon. Is it the biggest hoax . . . or the most important story in human history? Now you can decide for yourself! Now, for the first time, you'll see and hear Billy Meier's life story in his own words!