## LA Harbor International Film Festival™ (LAHIFF)

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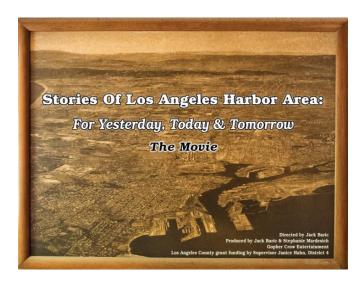
## **Media Alert**

LA Harbor International Film Festival DocSunday March 17

"Stories Of Los Angeles Harbor Area: For Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow – The Movie"

Port of Los Angeles (POLA) Premiere Closing Program at 4 p.m.

Warner Grand Theatre- historic downtown San Pedro



**Who:** 16<sup>th</sup> annual LA Harbor International Film Festival (festival dates March 14-17)

What: Closing program DocSunday ~ presenting sponsor Marathon Petroleum Los Angeles ~ POLA Premiere

Stories Of Los Angeles Harbor Area: For Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow

(U.S.A.: Gopher Crow Entertainment, 2017, @90 min., not rated; Producers Jack Baric & Stephanie Mardesich; Dir. Jack Baric)

Los Angles County grant funding by Supervisor Janice Hahn, District 4

Conversation and Q&A with director/producers and participants TBD after screening

When: Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> - 4 pm (doors open 3:30 pm)

Where: Warner Grand Theatre, 478 W. 6th St., historic downtown San Pedro – the POLA

Why: The Stories Of The Los Angeles Harbor Area: For Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow (SOLAHA) oral history project, filmed in 2018, aims to preserve the significant history of the people and communities of the Los Angeles harbor area that spans from the port towns of San Pedro and Wilmington, to include Lomita, Harbor City and the Palos Verdes Peninsula, recognizing what is inherent to inspire future generations to continue striving to make it a great place to live, work, and invest in as the area continues to progress. Twenty individuals participated that became 72 stories.

"The Movie" is a composite including one representative anecdote from each participant to demonstrate and instill the importance of retaining memories of the past for the present and future. Volume I is the first ever oral history project under the auspices of Los Angeles County made possible through grant funding by Supervisor Janice Hahn, District 4. Plans are underway for Volume II to be recorded within 2019.

Cost: General Admission for film only: \$10.00; affiliates\*, students, seniors, affiliates\* \$8.00

\*Los Angeles Maritime Museum (LAMM), Grand Vision Foundation (GVF), Hollywood Heritage (HH) Veterans and those currently serving in the military admitted FREE to all film programs subject to available seating

**Tickets:** From Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> www.brownpapertickets.com ~ telephone (800) 838-3006;

or WGT box office one hour prior to screening cash sales only

More: <u>www.laharborfilmfest.com</u> (2:2019)