LA Harbor International Film Festival

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MEDIA ALERT - SAVE THE DATE!

LA Harbor International Film Festival™ Turns "Sweet 16" Sets Sail On 16th Voyage March 14-17, 2019 Warner Grand Theatre – historic downtown San Pedro – the Port of Los Angeles <u>"Read the Book, See the Movie", Hollywood Nostalgia Tribute & DocSunday</u>

Programming To Be Announced February 13, 2019 – Sponsorship Opportunities Available

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WHO: 16th annual LA Harbor International Film Festival[™] (LAHIFF) presents

WHAT: Non-competitive, non-juried festival, celebrating movies with classics, debut film and video. Films selected by research and referral and invited to be programmed. Events include filmmaker participation, Q & A sessions (subject to availability), and Hollywood Nostalgia Tribute (HNT).

WHERE:The superlative art deco Warner Grand Theatre (WGT)478 W. 6th St., in historic downtown San Pedro, CA. – The Port of Los Angeles (POLA)

WHEN: March 14-17, 2019

WHY: LAHIFF, founded in 2003, is a non-juried, non-competitive event that showcases film and video that reflects the harbor and all that it embraces –shipping and commerce, fishing, sailing, water sports, sea life and the area's rich ethnic and cultural influences –to create a cinematic bridge between the people of the region and the people of the world.

Key components are the FREE education outreach program "Read the Book, See the Movie" (RBSM) promoting literacy and a more thoughtful way to view a film, March 14; Hollywood Nostalgia Tribute March 16 (HNT), and DocSunday, March 17.

COST: <u>Gen'l. Admission \$10 per program</u>; \$2 discount (at box office only for some programs): seniors, students, Los Angeles Maritime Museum (LAMM), Grand Vision Foundation (GVF), Hollywood Heritage and other affiliations TBD. Veterans and those currently serving in military free (if seats available). HNT "Red Carpet Reception" (Mar. 17) is special event with no discounts.

TICKETS:	From c. Feb. 14, 2019 with credit card at brownpapertickets.com & Box Office during event cash only
Website:	www.laharborfilmfest.com
More:	Programming announced c. Feb. 13, 2019 at Seafarin' Reception & Press Launch (invitation only)

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE - Contact Festival Director

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