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DAN JINKS, ACADEMY AWARD WINNING PRODUCER TO ATTEND 22ND ANNUAL HONOLULU RAINBOW FILM FESTIVAL

HONOLULU – Academy Award winning producer, Dan Jinks, will attend the 22nd Annual Honolulu Rainbow Film Festival (HRFF), May 12-15, 2011 at the Doris Duke Theatre, Honolulu Academy of Arts. He was invited to the festival as a special guest and will be the recipient of an award, which will be presented at the festival's Gala Event and Awards Program on Friday, May 13 at Chai's Island Bistro, Aloha Tower Marketplace.

During his visit, Jinks will hold a special Q&A workshop for interested filmmakers, students and the public, moderated by HRFF festival director, Brent Anbe. The event, hosted by the HRFF and co-sponsored by the Film & Video Association of Hawai'i (FAVAH) and Pacific New Media, will be held on **Wednesday, May 11, 7:00 PM** at the **University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, George Hall, Room 227**. It will be free and open to the public, however, donations will be accepted and will benefit the Honolulu Gay & Lesbian Cultural Foundation, the non-profit sponsor of the HRFF. Participants are kindly asked not to bring scripts with them, as they will not be accepted.

The 22nd annual HRFF is sponsored by Aqua Hotels & Resorts, Bank of Hawai'i, Hula's Bar & Lei Stand, Equality Hawai'i, Panda Travel, Vacations Hawai'i and Whole Foods Kahala. This year's festival also received support from the Hawai'i Tourism Authority and the City & County of Honolulu.

About Dan Jinks

In February 2010, Academy Award winning producer, Dan Jinks, launched his own film and television production company, The Dan Jinks Company. Previously, working with producing partner, Bruce Cohen, Jinks produced MILK, directed by Gus Van Sant and starring Sean Penn as Harvey Milk. The film was nominated for 8 Academy Awards, including Best Picture, and won for Best Actor and Best Original Screenplay. MILK was named Best Picture of 2008 by the New York Film Critics Circle.

The pair won the Best Picture Academy Award in 2000 for producing AMERICAN BEAUTY. The film, which won a total of five Oscars, was the first film produced through The Jinks/Cohen Company. Their second film was the sex comedy DOWN WITH



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LOVE starring Renee Zellweger and Ewan McGregor. Next up was Tim Burton's BIG FISH, which was nominated as Best Picture for both the Golden Globes and the BAFTAs. Other films include THE FORGOTTEN, starring Julianne Moore, and John August's directing debut, THE NINES, starring Ryan Reynolds and Hope Davis.

In television, Jinks and Cohen executive produced the acclaimed ABC series PUSHING DAISIES, which won 8 Emmy Awards and was nominated for a Golden Globe as best television comedy. They also served as executive producers on the series TRAVELER (ABC) and SIDE ORDER OF LIFE (Lifetime).

In the summer of 2008, they produced A TIMELESS CALL, a tribute to war veterans that Steven Spielberg directed for the Democratic National Convention.

Prior to Jinks/Cohen, Jinks produced NOTHING TO LOSE, starring Martin Lawrence and Tim Robbins, and executive produced THE BONE COLLECTOR, with Denzel Washington and Angelina Jolie. A graduate of New York University's Tisch School of the Arts, Jinks began his career working in the theatre in New York. Along with Laurence Mark, for the past five years, Jinks has produced A FINE ROMANCE, a benefit for the Motion Picture and Television Fund.

Festival & Foundation Information

Established in 1989 as the Adam Baran Honolulu Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, the HRFF has programmed films that have gone on to win Peabody and Emmy awards, such as the documentary, DADDY AND PAPA. HRFF has worked with PBS Hawai'i to program LGBT content documentaries. In 2008, a pilot Neighbor Island Outreach in Hilo on the Big Island of Hawai'i began. The success of the HRFF over the years is attributed to deep community involvement and great partners to help achieve its goals. For over two decades, the HRFF has been inspiring community and civic engagement through its programming and special events.

The HGLCF, founded in 1997 by Honolulu businessman, Jack Law, is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to educate and raise awareness of the community-at-large about gay & lesbian culture, arts and lifestyle. The HGLCF also works towards instilling a sense of pride and respect among members of the gay community, as well as to highlight the unique cosmopolitan ambiance of the city of Honolulu.

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