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## **SFCC Film Program to Host Open House Friday, November 18, 6-8 p.m.**

*Public invited to explore start-to-finish of film production, film screenings and photo exhibit*

SANTA FE, NM – Santa Fe Community College’s Film Program will host an information session, short film screening and “Behind the Scenes” photo exhibit opening on Friday, Nov. 18, 6-8 p.m. in the film, radio and television area of the college’s 500 wing. The public is invited. The gamut of film production, from the behind-the-scenes production to the final results, will be explored during the free event.

The SFCC Film Program Open House begins at 6 p.m. At 6:30 p.m. in Room 543 there will be an information session discussing spring classes and degree programs. Part of the School of Business, Education and Professional Studies, SFCC’s Film Program offers hands-on training in all production aspects of digital filmmaking, screenwriting and film history and criticism as well as makeup artistry. All of the classes are taught by working professionals. Film Program students, faculty and staff will be on hand to share details on learning about filmmaking. In conjunction with the Open House, from 6:30-7 p.m. in the radio studio Cinemascope New Mexico’s Stuart Goswick will host a live show that will broadcast conversations of the event on KSFR 101.1 FM.

“Our film program is now partnered with New Mexico Film Resource, a nonprofit organization comprised of alumni, students, faculty and community filmmakers to help other nonprofits and organizations realize their filmmaking ideas,” said Monique Anair, SFCC’s Co-Chair of Media Arts and Film. “This partnership allows for SFCC students to work with professional filmmakers on film and media jobs that help our community.”

Accompanying the Open House an exhibit of “Behind-the-scenes” photographs by SFCC student and photographer Mark Gee will be on display in the department’s gallery space. Gee documented the process of making the film *Debt to Society*. The exhibit opening begins at 6 p.m.

At 6 p.m., film producer Peter M. Kershaw will present his short film *The Astronomer’s Sun*. Released in 2010, the stop-motion animation *The Astronomer’s Sun* has picked up 16 International Film Festival Awards, including two in Santa Fe (see attached image from the film). Peter M. Kershaw of [Duchy Parade Films](#) currently teaches producing and directing at SFCC. At 7 p.m. story writer Bradd Hopkins will screen the short film *Debt to Society*, shot by [Laughing Crow Productions](#) with the cooperation of SFCC film crew classes this past summer. The film features original music written and performed by Rene Reyes, who has licensed songs to many films including *Price of Glory* (Jimmy Smits), *Saving Silverman*, *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, *Collateral* (Tom Cruise) and *Seven Pounds* (Will Smith). All film screenings are in Room 563.

For more information, visit [SFCC Film Club on Facebook](#) or email [filminfo@sfcc.edu](mailto:filminfo@sfcc.edu).

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