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PRESS RELEASE Mountainfilm on Tour

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Mountainfilm on Tour to Arrive in Baltimore on April 27-28

(Baltimore, MD | March 28) – Back by popular demand, Mountainfilm on Tour will return to Baltimore on April 27-28, 2018, at the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Parkway Theatre and Baltimore School for the Arts. Mountainfilm on Tour brings a selection of culturally rich, adventure-packed, and incredibly inspiring documentary films curated from the Mountainfilm Festival held every Memorial Day weekend in Telluride, Colorado. Generously sponsored by the Saul Zaentz Charitable Foundation, the weekend will include two evenings of free screenings open to the general public, as well as educational outreach events.

"The Saul Zaentz Foundation supports a passion for the arts in cities like Baltimore and encourages all communities to embrace the arts as a way to appreciate the best in us," said Elliot Steinberg, director of the Saul Zaentz Charitable Foundation.

On Friday, April 27, at 7 pm, there will be a screening of <u>No Man's Land</u> at the SNF Parkway Theatre. *No Man's Land* provides a detailed, on-the-ground account of the 2016 standoff between protestors occupying Oregon's Malheur National Wildlife Refuge and federal authorities. Director David Byars will be present and engage in a Q&A after the film screening.

On Saturday, April 28, at 6:30pm, there will be a screening of documentary shorts at Baltimore School for the Arts. This carefully curated selection of fast-paced films touches on themes of the environment, the outdoors, science, and culture. *Chocolate Spokes*, which tells the story of an African-American bicycle shop owner in Denver, will be

included in the screening. Gregory Crichlow, the subject of the documentary, will be present and will participate in a O&A with the audience.

Free tickets to the film screenings can be reserved at www.bsfa.org/mountainfilm.

Mountainfilm on Tour is also dedicated to educating and inspiring beyond theatre audiences, when possible. Friday afternoon, Byars will host a masterclass with undergraduate film students from Johns Hopkins University from 2 to 3:30 pm. Byars and Crichlow will co-host a masterclass for film students from the Baltimore School for the Arts, Johns Hopkins University, and MICA from 10 to 11:30 am on Saturday morning.

The festival is co-presented by the Baltimore School for the Arts, the Greater Baltimore Cultural Alliance, Johns Hopkins University, MICA, and the SNF Parkway Theatre. The SNF Parkway Theatre is located at 5 W North Avenue, Baltimore, MD, 21201. Baltimore School for the Arts is located at 712 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, MD 21218.

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Mountainfilm Festival

Mountainfilm began in 1979 and is one of America's longest-running film festivals. The festival is best described by one word: inspiring. In addition to screening leading independent documentary films from around the world, the festival includes a full-day symposium on a contemporary issues, art and photography exhibits, early morning coffee talks, outdoor programs, a book-signing party, an ice cream social, student programs and a closing picnic/awards ceremony. Presentations and panels are scheduled throughout the weekend event with a wide diversity of special guests, ranging from artists to adventurers and academics to activists. To learn more about the festival, visit www.mountainfilm.org.

Mountainfilm for Students

Whenever and wherever Mountainfilm is on tour, the aim is to educate and inspire beyond our theater audiences. Mountainfilm for Students is a free educational outreach initiative that introduces students in K-12 public schools to essential environmental, cultural, and social issues with age-appropriate film programs. Mountainfilm currently reaches over 20,000 students each year. Learn more about Mountainfilm for Students.

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