



“2006 TALLGRASS FILM FESTIVAL”
October 20-22, 2006

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

Based on the success of 2005’s “Shortgrass: A Tallgrass Film Festival Event”, the Wichita Association for the Motion Picture Arts (WAMPA) is proud to present the 2006 Tallgrass Film Festival, October 20-22, 2006. Because of your generous support, we were able to produce a successful event in light of difficult circumstances; you have helped carry out Timothy Gruver’s vision of bringing the best of independent film to Wichita, Kansas, and with your continued support, we anticipate an even more successful festival this year.

Since its inception in 2003, the Tallgrass Film Festival has been enjoyed by over 10,000 local and regional attendees and over 75 visiting (and returning) filmmakers from around the world. It is now clear to the rest of the world, that Wichita is a great destination to screen these independent films, and at the same time Tallgrass is capturing the attention of the entertainment industry.

Last year’s event attracted the highest one day total of attendees to date and thanks in large part to the Programming Committee, the films selected fit the Wichita audience. The inaugural Audience Award winning film, *39 Pounds of Love*, was critically acclaimed and another selection, *Conventioneers*, went on to win the John Cassavettes Award at the 2006 Independent Spirit Awards. The Audience Award winning short film, *Learn Self Defense*, came from a returning Kansas filmmaker.

Also a hugely successful part of the 2005 festival was the “Spotlight on Kansas Filmmakers” program. This feature will continue this year, and will feature selected films from filmmakers with a Kansas connection. It will be titled the “Timothy Gruver Spotlight on Kansas Filmmakers.”

As in past years, the weekend will consist of screenings and special events including an Opening Night and Saturday Night parties or cocktail receptions, the aforementioned “Timothy Gruver Spotlight on Kansas Filmmakers”, the Filmmaker’s Lounge, presentation of the Ad Astra Award (recipient TBA), Brunch with the Filmmakers and screenings of the Audience Award winning films.

The featured films are currently being selected by our local Programming Committee who are diligently working to create a program based on the entertainment interests of the Wichita demographic, as well as the feedback received from the community, and Tallgrass sponsors and donors over the last three years

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Like last year there will be no specific film “categories” – all information pertaining to a film will be given in the program and other marketing materials, but again, it is important to note that the selected films will reflect the varied interests of the Wichita community.

We are excited to be able to fly filmmakers and actors again this year. This has been a large part of what has made Tallgrass so special to Wichita, and in turn, the incredible experiences that these filmmakers have had in Kansas has had a large impact on how the entertainment community at large views Tallgrass.

Tallgrass Film Festival, a program of WAMPA, a non-profit 501(c)3 arts organization, is dedicated to entertaining and enlightening audiences from America’s heartland by showcasing the very best in independent cinema, including foreign, documentary, controversial, retrospective and premiering films.

Because of your help, and generous donations of time and money, the Tallgrass Film Festival is possible. We look forward to being able to bring an entertaining event to the community, in this, our fourth year; and to growing with our sponsors and the community.

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