



## Hill Country Film Festival and Fritztown Cinema To Screen VOYAGERS WITHOUT TRACE

### *Monthly Series Features Free Screening of Documentary Film*

**AUSTIN, Texas (Dec. 22, 2016)** – The [Hill Country Film Festival](#) (HCFF), an annual independent film event in Fredericksburg, Texas, to be held April 27 – 30, 2017, and presented by the Hill Country Film Society, has partnered with [Fritztown Cinema](#) to host a screening of the documentary feature film [VOYAGERS WITHOUT TRACE](#) (d. [Ian McCluskey](#)) as part of its monthly “indie film series” in Fredericksburg.

**WHAT:** **VOYAGERS WITHOUT TRACE** is a film based on the 1938 adventure of three Parisians in the American West. They had a bold, even foolhardy plan: be the first to take kayaks down the wild Green and Colorado rivers. They recorded their journey, creating the first adventure film shot in vivid color, but the reels go unseen for 75 years until filmmaker Ian McCluskey spots a photo of the trio on a roadside marker. His curiosity sends him on a historical treasure hunt, learning to paddle the same waters and searching for clues.

What led an explorer, his new bride and best friend halfway around the world on the eve of World War II? McCluskey traces the trio’s wake back to Europe, uncovering connections to the French Resistance, the advent of the French Riviera and the possibilities that free-spirited risk-taking offers to all. The film has screened at more than 15 film festivals and was called a “rollicking and reflective documentary” by *Moviemaker Magazine*.

Information on upcoming indie screenings at Fritztown Cinema can be found on HCFF Event page at: <http://www.hillcountryff.com/home/events/>.

**WHEN:** Sunday, January 8, at 5:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Fritztown Cinema, 2254 Highway 87 South, Fredericksburg, Texas.

**COST:** Free; donations will be accepted benefiting the Hill Country Film Society and Fritztown Cinema. Seating will be first come, first serve. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m.

## **Tweet This**

@HC\_Film\_Fest and @FritztownCinema to present screening of VOYAGERS WITHOUT TRACE on 1/8 @ 5:30 pm as part of free Indie Film Series @FrenchKayakFilm

## **About Hill Country Film Festival**

Set in Fredericksburg, Texas, the Hill Country Film Festival (HCFE) is the vision of its director Chad Mathews, an actor, screenwriter, producer and native Texan. Having participated in the film festival circuit, Mathews came to love the camaraderie and shared respect of those who are committed to the art of independent filmmaking. HCFE was created to celebrate and showcase filmmakers from Texas and around the world and is annually presented by the Hill Country Film Society, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. For more information, visit [www.hillcountryff.com](http://www.hillcountryff.com).

## **About Hill Country Film Society**

The Hill Country Film Festival, created in 2010 to celebrate and showcase filmmakers from Texas and around the world, quickly evolved into a non-profit organization with a broader vision. The Hill Country Film Society not only hosts the annual festival, but provides year-round independent film programming in the Texas Hill Country as well as education in the art of independent film. Its mission is to encourage discovery through visual storytelling and create experiences that educate, inspire and engage. The society relies on its sponsors and members to help achieve its mission and ensure the future of film as part of a vibrant, creative culture. For more information, visit [www.hillcountryff.com/film-society/](http://www.hillcountryff.com/film-society/).

## **About Fritztown Cinema**

Newly licensed for beer and wine sales, Fritztown Cinema, owned and operated by Sloan Ruth, is welcoming movie fans to its location at 2254 Highway 87 South in Fredericksburg, Texas. For more information, visit [www.fritztowncinema.com](http://www.fritztowncinema.com) or [www.facebook.com/fritztowncinema](https://www.facebook.com/fritztowncinema).

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