

# Hill Country Film Society and Hoffman Haus to Screen Texas-made Documentary A FORCE IN NATURE: JOHANN EYFELLS

**AUSTIN, Texas (Apr. 11, 2022)** – The Hill Country Film Society, a non-profit organization committed to providing year-round independent film programming and education in the Texas Hill Country and host to the annual <u>Hill Country Film Festival</u> in Fredericksburg, Texas, on June 2-5, 2022, has partnered with <u>Hoffman Haus</u> to host a screening of <u>A FORCE IN NATURE: JOHANN EYFELLS</u> (d. Hayden de Maisoneuve Yates, U.S.). The screening is part of the society's <u>Indie Film Series</u> and commemorates the city of <u>Fredericksburg's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</u> and its monthly theme of "Lasting Arts and Music".

## WHAT: A FORCE IN NATURE: JOHANN EYFELLS is a Texas-made

documentary that won the 2017 Hill Country Film Festival Best of Documentary award. Jóhann Eyfells, a 93-year-old Icelandic sculptor living in Fredericksburg, Texas, reveals the forces that shaped his life from his early years in Iceland, the land of fire and ice, to his professional life as an artist and teacher in Florida. After the death of Kristin Eyfells, a sculptor, painter, and his wife of nearly 60 years, Jóhann moved from Florida to Texas. Despite the loss he still feels for Kristin and his physical age, Jóhann continues to create new massive and monumental works exploring our understanding of time and space while struggling to find recognition for both Kristin and he in the artistic world.

Q&A with director Hayden de Maisoneuve Yates will immediately follow the screening.

Information on upcoming indie screenings in the Texas Hill Country can be found on HCFF Event page at: https://www.hillcountryff.com/events.

WHEN: Sunday, April 24, at 5:00 p.m. Doors will open at 4:45 p.m.

WHERE: The Great Hall at Hoffman Haus | 601 E. San Antonio Street,

Fredericksburg, Texas

**COST:** Free; donations will be accepted benefiting the Hill Country Film Society.

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@HC\_Film\_Fest & @HoffmanHaus to celebrate Fredericksburg's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary with free screening of Texas-made art documentary A FORCE IN NATURE: JOHANN EYFELLS on 4/24. https://bit.ly/3vUCisj. #indiefilm

#### **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 <a href="https://www.hillcountryff.com/film-society/">www.hillcountryff.com/film-society/</a>.

### **About Hill Country Film Festival**

Set in Fredericksburg, Texas, the Hill Country Film Festival (HCFF) 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. HCFF 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 <a href="https://www.hillcountryff.com">www.hillcountryff.com</a>.

#### About Fredericksburg's 175th Anniversary

Fredericksburg, Texas is turning 175 years old. To honor Fredericksburg's heritage, and all those who have helped make this unique community what it is today, a year-long tribute will begin in May 2021. From arts and music to health care and education, each month throughout the year will highlight a unique and lasting characteristic of Texas' favorite Hill Country destination. The celebrations will conclude with a Grand Finale Weekend, May 5-8, 2022, including parade, fireworks, historical exhibitions and more. For more information visit www.175th.org.

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