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## FREE DRIVE-IN MOVIES AT OC CONVENTION CENTER ON SEPT. 1 WRAP UP SUMMER WITH OC FILM CHALLENGE

OCEAN CITY, MD — Aug. 24, 2020 — The Ocean City Film Festival concludes its free Tuesday Drive-In Movie Nights at the Ocean City Convention Center on Sept. 1 at 8 p.m. with films from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual OC Film Challenge 2020.

The Drive-In Movie Night allows social distancing while presenting original films produced by area filmmakers. The OC Film Challenge is a yearly contest to encourage and present short films in or about Ocean City. This year, ten filmmakers from across the tri-state region competed for cash prizes and festival accolades.

The drive-in will screen the Film Challenge shorts at 8 p.m., followed by a screening of the documentary "Ash Wednesday Storm" by Terry Sterner, chronicling the 1933 hurricane that cut the Ocean City inlet and changed the resort forever, courtesy of the Ocean City Lifesaving Station Museum.

The winners of the 2020 OC Film Challenge are "Melvin's Curse" by Davis Mears of Berlin, 1<sup>st</sup> place; "Escape 2020" by Derek Silver of Herndon, Va., 2<sup>nd</sup> place; and "The Misadventures of Local Man" by Dillon Thune, Andrew Kleinstuber and Mack Gray of Frankford, De., 3<sup>rd</sup>

place. Winners receive a combination of cash prizes, hotel stays, swag bags, and all-access passes to the OC Film Festival 2021.

Other films from the challenge that will be screened are: "Kaw-Liga" by Trevor Taylor, a 2018 Challenge winner; "Time Flies" by Campos Media, a 2019 Challenge winner; "I Surf the Body Electric," by Gregg Rosner; "Regeneration" by Chelsea Thaler; "Sea Sick" by Brandon Danganan; and "They Breed Us to Feed" by B.L. Strang-Moya.

Total run time for the film night is under two hours. Admission is free, and the Ocean City Convention Center parking lot provides a big screen, quality sound, and social distancing of vehicles.

More information is available at 410-524-9433 or www.artleagueofoceancity.org.

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