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## 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL MADRID FILM FESTIVAL

Two Live Screenings at Beer Creek Brewing Company

Your hosts, impresario Joe West and author Andrew Wice, will welcome audiences to the Third Annual Madrid Film Festival at Beer Creek Brewing Company on Tuesday, September 29 and Wednesday, September 30. Each event offers separate, distinct programs featuring the very best short films produced in New Mexico this year.

Seating begins at 6 pm, with live music provided by Joe West and Friends from 6:30 to 7:30. The screening of films begins promptly at 7:30 pm.

Despite the difficulties imposed on filmmakers by the virus shutdown, the quality of films submitted this year was astonishing, coming from all over New Mexico. Comedies, dramas, music videos and documentaries make for an evening of highly original entertainment, held in a safe, socially-distanced and regulated outdoor patio environment. Pre-show entertainment comes in the form of Joe West performing electric folk-rock tunes with his band.

Rather than individual tickets, festival guests will purchase an entire table for \$40, which seats a maximum of four. Due to Covid restrictions, the number of available tables is extremely limited. Tickets will go on sale beginning Wednesday, September 16 and may be purchased via the <a href="https://www.Theaterofdeath.org">www.Theaterofdeath.org</a> website.

Please be aware that some of the tables may have obstructed views. Tables will be seated in a "first come, first serve" basis. For this reason, it is strongly recommended that guests arrive punctually at 6 pm for seating and eating. Shortcomings such as limited seating and obstructed views are compromises which are regretfully unavoidable due to government restrictions. In the event of inclement weather, the screenings will be postponed to the following week.

An online event will livestream the entire film festival on Saturday, October 10 beginning at 6 pm. Please visit the Madrid Film Festival's <u>Facebook page</u> to enjoy all of the short films.

In the spring, the producers hope to screen the festival at the Oscar Huber Ballpark in Madrid around April, 2021, on blankets under the stars. After that, the Madrid Film Festival on Tour will bring highlights from the festival to audiences all over the state of New Mexico. Obviously, these plans are contingent on ongoing developments.

Beer Creek Brewing Company is located at 3810 State Highway 14, across from the Lone Butte gas station between Santa Fe and Madrid. It opened in 2018, delighting locals with fresh pizza and a wide selection of small-batch beer. This small family business proudly brings their craft, their homegrown hops, and their infectious love of brewing to a grateful community.

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Joe West is an award-winning songwriter and performer. In addition to his international touring schedule and nine full-length albums (including his newest, *Rodeo of the Soul*), he successfully founded the Theater of Death production company. Please visit <a href="https://www.joewestmusic.com">www.joewestmusic.com</a>.

Andrew Wice is a novelist and screenwriter. He is the author of seven novels, including *To The Last Drop* (Bäuu Press, Colorado, 2008), and produced the acclaimed Madrid Oral History Tour, a smartphone-guided walking tour of the town. Please visit www.AndrewWice.com.

Doug Speer is a retired producer, creative director and photographer. After 32 years in corporate communications, he joined the Theater of Death in 2018 as Technical Director.