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## **Richard Stockton College-Dante Hall Theater Named Presenting Sponsor of Atlantic City Cinefest**

Downbeach Film Festival's Fifth Annual Atlantic City Cinefest Set for Oct. 12-14

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**Atlantic City, NJ-** The Richard Stockton College - Dante Hall Theater in Atlantic City, will be the presenting sponsor of the Downbeach Film Festival's Fifth Annual Atlantic City Cinefest, Friday, October 12, to Sunday, October 14, 2012. The Theater will host screenings beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday, as well as including filmmaking panels. Dante Hall Theater is located at 14 North Mississippi Avenue, Atlantic City, 08401.

"The Downbeach Film Festival is proud to join with Stockton College's Dante Hall Theater as a primary screening venue for the Atlantic City Cinefest," said Nichole Kilpatrick, vice president of the Downbeach Film Festival. "The Theater offers an intimate setting and a terrific location in the heart of the proposed Arts District in Atlantic City. We believe the filmmakers will be as pleased as we are. This is just the start of a future with Dante Hall Theater." The Theater will also host the festival in 2013, from October 18 to the 20.

Alex Marino, Stockton College's Director of Operations for both the Carnegie Center and Dante Hall Theater, said, "When Stockton first took over the operations of Dante Hall Theater, one of the first things we did was reach out to the Film Festival to forge a relationship and offer Dante Hall as a venue. We look forward to a number of projects with the Downbeach Film Festival."

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In its first four years, Downbeach Film Festival has honored New Jersey filmmaker, Kevin Smith; "Home Alone" and "Mystic Pizza" producer, Scott Rosenfelt; "Boardwalk Empire" actors, William Forsythe and Chris Mulkey; and a growing list of small independent filmmakers. Submissions are being reviewed for inclusion in this year's festival.

Further information regarding the Film Festival, including ticket prices and movies, will be available in the near future.

The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey took over the leadership and operations of Dante Hall Theater in 2011. An intimate 240-seat performing arts venue, Dante Hall Theater serves Atlantic City and the surrounding communities as a vital cultural center. The Theatre hosts a diverse range of professional and amateur performances attracting a wide variety of patrons. For information on Dante Hall Theater, please contact Stephanie Clineman at 609-513-8432 or [Stephanie.Clineman@stockton.edu](mailto:Stephanie.Clineman@stockton.edu).

The Downbeach Film Festival celebrates the art form of moviemaking. They are rooted in the celebration of film and the creation of a forum where independent filmmakers can exhibit their work. For more information, visit [downbeachfilmfestival.org](http://downbeachfilmfestival.org).

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