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2009 Festival March 4-8

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Every Dollar Counts

For three years the Durango Independent Film Festival has showcased films to bring you

**Joy
Inspiration
Pleasure
Despair
Encouragement
Knowledge
Awareness
&
Hope**

We need your help in bringing an exceptional 2009 Durango Independent Film Festival to Durango March 4-8, 2009.

Please put the Durango Independent Film Festival on your gift giving list this holiday season by making a donation or becoming a sponsor. Join us in keeping the spirit of independent film alive in our community.

Spotlight on DIFF Staff

Our very own Peggy Russell, DIFF's Print Traffic Director, has recently published a children's book!

Peggy said that the first Patsy book started out as a Christmas gift to her grandchildren. In the process of writing this story, other stories emerged from Patsy's life. Each story had a message for children, and Peggy's Christmas gift to her grandchildren turned into life lessons through the eyes of a dog. Patsy is a real dog and all of her adventures are true. Peggy hopes that you and your children will enjoy Patsy and her stories.

DIFF is proud to have Peggy on our team.

Thanks to our Sponsors who are on board for the 2009 Film Festival event

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If you have the opportunity, please thank these sponsors for their generous support of our organization.

PATSY Goes to a New Home



The Patsy Adventures - Volume 1

By Peggy Russell
Illustrated by Larry Scott

DIFF has some fun things in store for our 2009 film festival event!



Wednesday, March 4 ~ **DIFF Opening Night** ~ FREE movie night at the Abbey and Gaslight Theatres.

Thursday, March 5 ~ **Gallery Night** ~ Enjoy strolling Durango's art galleries in celebration of artistic expression of all kinds, 5pm-8pm.

Friday, March 6 ~ **Filmmaker Party** ~ Henry Strater Theatre, 5pm.

Saturday, March 7 ~ **Celebrate Outdoor Adventure** ~ with Backcountry Experience, 5pm-7pm.



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Thanks to all of the filmmakers who submitted their creative works for the 2009 DIFF Trailer Competition!



Saturday, March 7 ~ **Late Night VIP Lounge** ~ Mutu's Italian Kitchen, 10pm-1am. Open by invitation only and festival first tier pass holders.

Sunday, March 8 ~ **Awards Dinner and Ceremony** ~ Durango Arts Center Theatre. Open by invitation only and festival first tier pass holders.

The entries will be judged on December 15 and the winner(s) will be notified no later than December 17

WHY VOLUNTEER FOR DIFF?

Volunteers who contribute a minimum of 12 hours receive a 2nd Tier punch pass to see one film per three hours volunteered. Volunteers with more than 60 hours receive a 1st Tier pass for access to all festival films. Other benefits include seeing how the festival works, meeting new people, and contributing to the cultural diversity of Durango!

We have lots of work that needs to be done preparing for the festival and would value your participation. If you would like to volunteer during the festival, we need ushers and ticket-takers at both the Abbey and the Gaslight for all five days of the festival. If you would like to volunteer before the festival, we need help at events, with print projects, in the office, and much more. Some volunteer jobs take a weekly commitment and others can be done on a one-time basis for a few hours.

[CLICK HERE TO GET STARTED](#)

A Painless, Convenient Way to Contribute to DIFF...



Just by purchasing groceries at City Market with your value card, you can donate to DIFF! If you don't have a value card, it's easy to get one. Please click below for complete details about the program.

[DIFF "City Market Cares" Program](#)

To register your card, send an e-mail to diffadmin@durangofilm.org or call the DIFF office at 970-375-7779 with your City Market value card information (name, address, phone number, and 10-digit value card number).

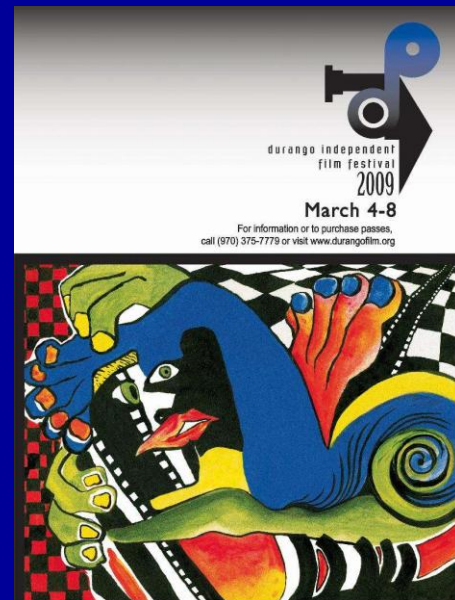
When you use your City Market value card, DIFF will receive a portion of the sales every quarter. We hope you will take advantage of this convenient way to contribute to DIFF year-round.

Thanks for your help!



The DIFF Mission

We are committed to film literacy and to being a welcoming, intimate, and unique film organization that screens global, innovative, and diverse films that connect independent filmmakers, their artistic process, and their vision to the community.



Save the Dates!



Thanks to industry sponsors **ProductionHUB** and **Filmmaker Magazine** for their support of the 2009 Durango Independent Film Festival.

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Interested in supporting DIFF?

Many opportunities are available! Volunteers are needed. Sponsorships of various types and levels are welcome. And of course, cash donations are always greatly appreciated! To learn more about supporting DIFF, contact the office at 970-375-7779.



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