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BIG ARTS ANNOUNCES FALL FILM FESTIVAL FEATURING EMMY-NOMINATED FILMMAKER ANDREW ROSSI

Sanibel, FL – BIG ARTS is excited to announce its highly anticipated Fall Film Festival, celebrating the work of critically acclaimed, Emmy-nominated filmmaker Andrew Rossi. Taking place over two days, Friday, November 15 and Saturday, November 16, 2024, the festival offers a unique opportunity to experience three of Rossi's renowned documentaries and participate in exclusive Q&A sessions with the filmmaker himself.

Film screenings will be held in the stunning Christensen Performance Hall, known for its state-of-the-art sound and visual experience. The opening reception, dinner, and other special gatherings will take place throughout BIG ARTS beautiful facilities, providing guests with a chance to enjoy the warm and welcoming atmosphere of the island's premier cultural venue.

Event Schedule:

Friday, November 15, 2024

- 6:00 PM: Opening reception featuring lite bites and a cash bar.
- 7:00 PM: Screening of *The First Monday in May* (2016), 90 minutes.
- Post-Screening: Q&A with Andrew Rossi.

Saturday, November 16, 2024

- 4:00 PM: Screening of *Page One* (2011), 92 minutes.
- 5:30 PM: Boxed dinner reception provided by Wickie's Lighthouse Restaurant.
- 6:30 PM: Q&A with Andrew Rossi.
- 7:00 PM: Screening of The Andy Warhol Diaries, Season 1, Episode 1 (2022), 56 minutes.
- Post-Screening: Closing reception with coffee and dessert.

Tickets are on sale now for this exclusive event, and seating is limited. Don't miss the chance to join an intimate group of film lovers and dive deep into the world of documentaries with Andrew Rossi. For more information, film trailers and to purchase tickets, visit bigarts.org/event/fall-film-festival/ or call the BIG ARTS box office at 239-395-0900.

The BIG ARTS Fall Film Festival is graciously sponsored by Dorothy and Seth Hemming, Sanibel Captiva Community Bank and Lee County Tourist Development Council.

About BIG ARTS

Celebrating its 45th season, BIG ARTS is dedicated to creating great arts, entertainment, and learning experiences that inspire, enrich, and delight. Our mission is to provide an array of quality entertainment, arts, and education programs that enrich and nurture the lives of Sanibel and Captiva residents and visitors through professionally led arts and enrichment classes and workshops for students of all ages, stimulating lectures and discussions with renowned national thought leaders, and dynamic visual and performing arts presentations of the highest caliber.

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