

Vero Theatre Film in the Works

Win Movie Role at CINEMA DE LA MER: The Super Secret White Party!



Photo from Vero Beach Film Festival

(VERO BEACH, October 12, 2018) Dale Metz, former Vero Beach resident and independent filmmaker, is wrapping up production on his new film, “Vero’s Historic Theatre.” Dale Metz has generously offered a role in the new film to be given away at CINEMA DE LA MER: The Super Secret White Party, Saturday, November 10, 2018. The annual by-invitation-only fundraiser will mark the city’s 100th anniversary, so organizers are thrilled to offer the public a chance to be part of honoring the historic downtown icon.

Dale Metz’s familial connections to the Vero Theatre inspired him to pursue the project. Great grandfather Hudson Baker, was one of the two contractors who built the Vero Theatre. He built many of the first buildings in Vero including the historic Farmers Bank building. He is listed in the registry of great Floridians for Vero Beach. And his grandfather Henry Metz, was one of the original projectionists when the theatre opened in 1924. Dale C. Metz was born in 1959 and, raised in Vero Beach. Graduated from Vero Beach High School in 1977.

A brief synopsis of the film:

The “Vero Theatre” opened in 1924 and would change the community in ways no one could imagine. The theater served as a social hub and entertained generations. In fact, the theater became one of the catalysts inspiring residents to appeal for their own county,

Indian River, separate from St. Lucie County. Known now as Theatre Plaza, the building is included in the National Register of Historic Places. This short documentary explores first hand recollections of the theater from some of Vero Beach's earliest living residents. The Vero Beach Wine and Film Festival will host the world premiere screening of Mr. Metz's new film during VBWFF 2019, June 6-9, 2019, as part of the city's Centennial Celebration. Dale Metz's film, "A Face in the Crowd" was very well-received at the Vero Beach Wine Film Festival this year.

ABOUT THE VERO BEACH WINE FILM FESTIVAL www.vbwff.com

The Vero Beach Wine Film Festival, hailed as "The New Summer Sundance" by the Huffington Post, will be held June 6-9, 2019. The "Top 100" film festival pairs compelling cinematic storytelling with global fine wines while highlighting the best of Vero Beach – art, natural beauty, eco-awareness, toe-baring lifestyle, emerging chefs and coastal hospitality. This year's festival theme, "A Wide Lens on Life" is inspired by the festival's mission of connecting diverse visual artists with their audiences at a compelling, captivating cinematic celebration. Proceeds from the festival benefit Suncoast Mental Health Center. The center offers supportive services to children and families along the Treasure Coast, including St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee counties. The Vero Beach Wine + Film Festival is a 501(c) (3) organization.

ABOUT SUNCOAST MENTAL HEALTH CENTER www.suncoastmentalhealth.org

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