

# Third Black Earth Film fest planned Nov. 8 to 12

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GALESBURG - The Galesburg

Civic Art Center is planning its third annual Black Earth Film Festival Nov. 8 to 12 featuring independent films that will be shown at the Orpheum Theatre, 57 S. Kellogg St.

The festival kicks off at 7 p.m. Nov. 8 with a workshop on Final Cut Pro, and a film editing software made by Apple Computers. Victoria Parks Murphy will be conducting this demonstration. Murphy, of Galesburg, is a Final Cut Pro editor and trainer in Dublin, Ireland. She teaches as an Apple certified instructor for the Irish Film Base Resource Center as well as for New York University, and Tisch School for the Arts Special Programs Unit in Dublin. This demonstration will be at Knox College in the Gary Francois Classroom in the Umbeck Science-Mathematics Center. This event is free and open to the public.

The film event is divided into seven session times: 7 p.m. Nov. 9; 7 p.m. Nov. 10; 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Nov. 11; and 1 p.m. Nov. 12. Individual sessions cost \$10 per person, or \$7 for students and seniors. All Saturday sessions may be attended for only one single session price. Sunday session is \$6 per person admission for everyone. A festival pass is \$25 per person or \$20 per person for students and seniors. This includes admission to all sessions and film festival events. Tickets are available at the Orpheum Box Office, 342-2299.

## Special guests

Special guests of this year's festival are Mark Borchardt and Mike Schank, stars of the documentary "American Movie," winner of the 1999 Sundance Grand Jury Award. The 7:30 p.m. Saturday session will include a showing of "American Movie" and Mark's horror film "Coven," the shooting of which is the subject of the documentary. There also will be a discussion with Borchardt and Schank about being the subject of a documentary, and the difficulties facing independent filmmakers today.

A complete listing of additional films to be shown is available at [www.blackearthfilmfestival.org](http://www.blackearthfilmfestival.org). Other festival events include a reception from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday at Best Western Prairie Inn. The Black Earth Film Festival is sponsored by Insight Media Advertising, Best Western Prairie Inn, R and B Distributing, Lacky and Sons Monuments, Video Media Productions, The Zephyr, Dr. Mike Computer Therapist and the Orpheum Theatre.

For more information on the Black Earth Film Festival, contact the Galesburg Civic Art Center at 342-7415, 114 E. Main St., or on the Web at [www.galesburgarts.org](http://www.galesburgarts.org), or [www.blackearthfilmfestival.org](http://www.blackearthfilmfestival.org).