



AUSTIN FILM FESTIVAL PRESENTS 7TH ANNUAL FILM & FOOD

CULINARY EVENT TO BENEFIT ARTS EDUCATION IN AUSTIN SCHOOLS

WHO: The Austin Film Festival champions the work of aspiring and established writers and filmmakers by providing unique cultural events and services, enhancing public awareness and participation and encouraging dynamic and long-lasting community partnerships.

Austin Film Festival's Young Filmmakers Program encourages students ages 9-18 to explore their creativity and improve their literacy skills through the arts of screenwriting and filmmaking. Programs are offered free through AISD schools and partner organizations.

WHAT: To kick off the 2009 conference and festival, the Austin Film Festival presents the 7th annual Film & Food, an evening of cocktails and exquisite cuisine created by chefs representing some of Austin's most notable restaurants. Attendees will also have the opportunity to bid on unique items and experiences during silent and live auctions.

Participating restaurants include: The Belmont, Carmelo's Ristorante, Driskill Grill, Eddie V's Edgewater Grille, Moonshine Patio Bar and Grill, NoRTH, Parkside, Polkadots Cupcake Factory, Ranch 616, Restaurant Jezebel, Roaring Fork, Siena Ristorante Toscana, Viking Home Appliances, Whole Foods Market and many more.

All proceeds from the ticket sales and event auctions benefit Austin Film Festival's Young Filmmakers Program. To purchase Film & Food tickets, call 512.478.4795 or visit www.austinfilmfestival.com.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 21, 2009
7:00—10:00 p.m.

WHERE: Driskill Hotel
604 Brazos St.
Austin, TX 78701

CONTACT:	Elaine Garza	William Mills
	GIANT NOISE	GIANT NOISE
	512.382.9017	512.382.9017
	elaine@giantnoise.com	will@giantnoise.com

ABOUT AUSTIN FILM FESTIVAL

The Austin Film Festival is a non-profit organization dedicated to furthering the art, craft and business of writers and filmmakers and recognizing their contributions to film, television and new media. It is funded and supported in part by the City of Austin through the Cultural Arts Division and by a grant from the Texas Commission on the Arts and an award from the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes that a great nation deserves great art. Special support is provided to the Austin Film Festival by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, Continental Airlines, Clear Channel Radio, KVUE, Target, and AKR Foundation.