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10TH CLEVELAND FILM LUNAFEST FESTIVAL 2018 TO SHOWCASE WOMEN FILMMAKERS, RAISE FUNDS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS, YOUTH PROGRAMS, BREAST CANCER PREVENTION

CLEVELAND, OHIO – (Date) On Saturday, March 24, 2018, the 10th Annual Cleveland LUNAFEST Film Festival will be held at the Tri-C Corporate College East, 4400 Richmond Road, Warrensville Heights, Ohio 44128. The festival will be hosted by the Cleveland Chums, Inc., a 501c3 charity dedicated to the educational success of economically disadvantaged students in the Cleveland area.

LUNAFEST will showcase nine films picked from more than one thousand entries.

Established in 2000 by Clif Bar & Company division, LUNA, the makers of the Whole Nutrition Bar for Women, LUNAFEST connects women, their stories and their causes through film. The traveling film festival spotlights the work of women filmmakers around the world with thought-provoking themes. These films are as diverse as those told by Funa Maduka – “Waiting for Hassana” – the story of girls being kidnapped from a school in Africa; Emily Sheskins “Jessyilla” – chronicling an adolescent girl whose goal is to become a boxer; and Anna Edgar’s “Girls Level Up” – exploring a camp for girls who are interested in math and science.

Proceeds from LUNAFEST will go to fund student college scholarships and to the Breast Cancer Prevention Partners.

“LUNAFEST has really raised our impact on students in Cleveland communities,” explained JoAnn Wallace, president of Cleveland Chums, Inc.

“Beyond exposure to stories by these extraordinary filmmakers, we have been able to increase our annual scholarships program from one or two a decade ago, to eleven today. Our students return to LUNAFEST year after year, even after graduation, to volunteer and participate.”

For more information about LUNAFEST and the new season of films, visit

www.lunafest.org/cleveland0324.

For more information about the LUNAFEST event, corporate sponsorship opportunities, of the Cleveland Chums, Inc., contact Janet Banks at janetmbanks@gmail.com or visit us at

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