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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED *College Film Students in Monterey County may apply for \$1,000 in Awards*

The deadline for film students to apply for the new Film Student Scholarship & Awards Program has been extended from March 31 to April 30, 2008. The \$1,000 award is offered by the nonprofit Monterey County Film Commission.

Eligibility information and application forms may be downloaded at www.FilmMonterey.org, or contact the film commission office at 831-646-0910 or info@filmmonterey.org.

The recipients of the \$1,000 scholarship (or two \$500 awards) will be announced in May 2008.

The scholarship program was created to provide financial aid and incentive to students of film and beginning filmmakers who reside in Monterey County, or who are currently enrolled in a community college or university in the county. The fund was established as a permanent endowment with the Community Foundation for Monterey County.

“This program helps a film student work towards a career goal, and the funds can go directly to them to be used for Capstone or other film projects,” said Phyllis Decker, chairperson of the film commission’s scholarship committee. “Establishing a film student scholarship program has been a long-time dream of all of us on the board of directors of the Monterey County Film Commission. With generous donations from the community, hard work from board members and guidance from the Community Foundation for Monterey County, this dream has become a reality.”

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The Monterey County Film Commission was created by and is funded in part by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors. It works to market Monterey County as a destination for the motion picture, television and related industries, for the purpose of stimulating economic development, creating jobs, providing and supporting educational opportunities in those areas.