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LOCAL FANS CAN TRY FOR SEATS ALONG THE RED CARPET AT THE OSCARS

Monterey County residents who are “ready for their closeup” (and quick on applying online) can try to be lucky winners of seats along the 500-foot-long red carpet at the Academy Awards® in Hollywood next year.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is launching a random online drawing for the 700 seats on the walkway that leads into the Kodak Theatre beginning on Sept. 14 at 9 a.m., and continuing for only one week until Sept. 20. The Monterey County Film Commission has posted a web link to the official application form on its website, www.FilmMonterey.org.

Those who are selected will watch and cheer Oscar nominees, presenters and others arriving at the Kodak Theatre at Hollywood and Highland Center for the Academy Awards presentation on March 7, 2010.

The Monterey County Film Commission is planning its annual “Big Night Gala” event on March 7, with a local celebration of movie-making and the Academy Awards. It will be held at the Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach. The fundraiser features a big screen live telecast of the Oscars presentations, as guests enjoy their own red carpet arrival, elegant dinner, and a silent auction including movie memorabilia.

For more information, visit www.FilmMonterey.org or call the Monterey County Film Commission at 831-646-0910.

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