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**THE HUB ON CANAL<sup>SM</sup> ANNOUNCES FIRST ANNUAL STUDENT FILM FESTIVAL**  
**THE HUB ON CANAL PARTNERS WITH VOLUSIA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS**

NEW SMYRNA BEACH, Fla., For Immediate Release- The Hub on Canal Inc. today announced that it plans to host and coordinate its first annual student film festival for Volusia County high school students in March of 2017. Working with the Volusia County High Schools' film production and digital arts programs, The Hub on Canal will showcase approximately 30 student films and movie posters.

The theme for the film festival is *A Day in My Life as I See It*. During the fall 2016 semester, film production students created 4-minute films that reflect the film festival theme. Students in the digital arts department at each school collaborated with the student filmmakers to create movie posters. In January 2017, students will have an opportunity to attend a round table workshop with local film industry leaders at The Hub on Canal. Students will have the option to revise and edit their films prior to the February 10, 2017 deadline.

The film festival is supported by a panel of judges consisting of five individuals comprised of community leaders, film industry professionals, educators and business professionals.

"We are proud to have the opportunity to highlight the talents of Volusia County teens," said Richard England, president of The Hub on Canal, Inc. "Through our outreach programs, we seek to provide support for these emerging artists by providing resources and connections to the broader film community in Central Florida."

The timeline for the event is as follows:

**Judging Process, Friday, February 10, 2017 – Monday, February 20, 2017:** Judges independently view approximately 30 films. Students will be notified of results and invited to present their films to judges at a breakfast reception on Saturday, February 25, 2017 at The Hub on Canal.

**Student Presentations, Saturday, February 25, 2017, 9:00-12:00:** Judges and top 20 students meet at The Hub on Canal for a breakfast reception and student presentations. Judges will have the opportunity to ask students questions about their films and the option to adjust the scoring rubric.

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**Awards Night, Thursday, March 2, 2017, 6:00-8:30 pm:** Students, their family members, teachers and judges will be invited to attend this private event at The Hub on Canal. Winning films and posters will be showcased at the public screening and awards ceremony.

**Public Screening, Sunday, March 5, 2017, 2:00-5:00 pm:** Winning films and posters will be shown throughout the afternoon. The event is open to the public at no charge.

Based in New Smyrna Beach, Fla. The Hub on Canal is a 501(c) 3 organization dedicated to creating community by fostering art, education and a broad range of creative opportunities. Open year round seven days a week, The Hub on Canal supports the local community by offering art exhibitions, dance and musical performances, educational classes and workshops, cultural events, and local community outreach programs. The Hub on Canal community comes together through special events and extends the arts to the underserved and socially challenged through scholarship programs and art, wellness, and music classes. Since its opening in 2012, The Hub on Canal has served more than 154,000 visitors, helping to revitalize the local community and stimulate economic growth. For more information, visit the website at theHUBoncanal.org.

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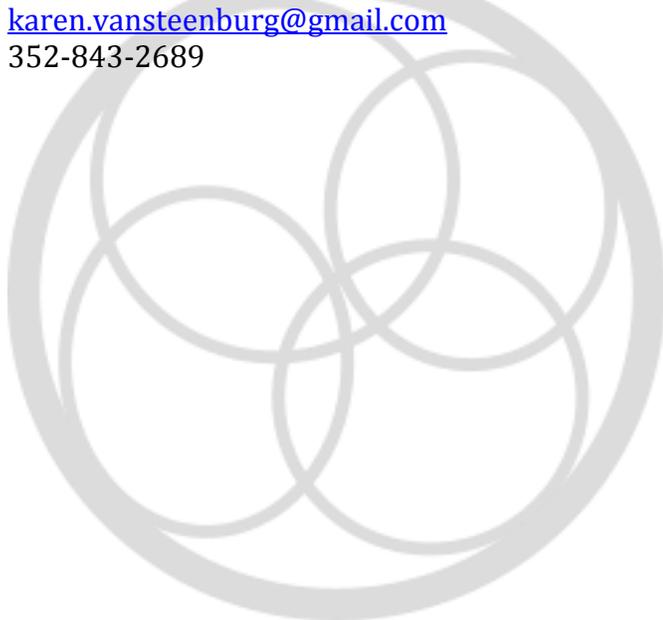
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