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FILMMAKERS FUNDING AWARDED TO FOUR YUKON PROJECTS

WHITEHORSE – The Film & Sound Commission has awarded a total of \$10,000 to be shared amongst four Yukon filmmakers from the December intake of the Yukon Filmmakers Fund.

Once complete, these four projects have the potential to generate a significant amount of economic activity in the Yukon.

Yukon Film & Sound Commissioner Margarita Ramon says that the Filmmakers Fund has been integral to Yukon filmmakers for the last six years, and adds, “More Yukon-made films than ever have been submitted to the April 2006 Hot Docs’ International Documentary Festival to be celebrated in Toronto, and Yukon filmmakers are signing co-production agreements and collecting awards worldwide.”

The filmmakers and their projects for this funding term are:

The Secret Lives of Geriatrics – Mitch Miyagawa

Toward research and development of film project

Ice Palace – Patricia Robertson

To work with a script editor to polish script and to take to the next stage

Street Dream – Michael Wood

For development costs toward film project

Klondike Sabu – Marie Carr

Toward development costs for film project

The Yukon Filmmakers Fund awards up to \$5,000 to Yukon resident film and video professionals to assist them in developing viable careers and businesses making films and videos for broadcast or commercial release. There are two intakes per year – June 1 and Dec. 1.

The Yukon Film & Sound Commission is a branch of the Department of Economic Development. Learn more by visiting the Yukon Film & Sound Commission website at www.reelyukon.com.

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