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Center for the Arts Crested Butte Announces Partnership with the Crested Butte Film Festival

The Center for the Arts is proud to announce a new partnership with the Crested Butte Film Festival. "Over the last few years, the Center has been building incredible partnerships with like organizations such as the CB Dance Collective and the Art Studio. We are thrilled to now create a relationship with the Crested Butte Film Festival," stated Melissa Belkin, President of the Center for the Arts Board of Directors. "The Film Festival have been such a wonderful addition to our community. We are so impressed by their incredible impact and growth and are honored to make them a part of our organization."

"This is a very exciting venture for the Film Festival to be working with such an incredible, long-standing arts organization like the Center for the Arts," says Jennifer Brody, Co-Director of the Crested Butte Film Festival. Brody goes on to say, "By working together we believe we can strengthen the artistic and cultural opportunities for everyone in the Gunnison Valley." The two organizations have partnered to bring high-quality films, on a regular basis to the Center, resulting in the Crested Butte Film Series, a monthly presentation of film, beginning this June. The series will kick off with 'Searching for Sugarman', Saturday, June 22, 7:00 p.m., at the Center for the Arts. Tickets $10 at the door. The film is about two South Africans who set out to discover what happened to their unlikely musical hero, the mysterious 1970s rock 'n' roller, Rodriguez.

The partnership will also include new technical equipment at the Center, resulting in a state-of-the-art facility for film presentation, something that both organizations are very excited about. According to Festival Co-Director Michael Brody, "through high-definition filmmaking, the art of film has grown substantially, and now we will have equipment that can match the technical innovations of our filmmakers."

The Center For the Arts will also be home to, and one of the primary venues of, the Crested Butte Film Festival, an annual four-day festival of international film that takes place the *last weekend of September,* September 26 - 29, 2013. More information can be found at www.cbfilmfest.org or www.crestedbuttearts.org.

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