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POLITICS ON FILM Announces First Annual Best Political Film of the Year Survey

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Film fans can weigh in on 2009's Best Political Film as ***Politics on Film*** today launches an annual online survey to gauge audience views of political issues and their portrayal onscreen.

The survey is open to voters from now through February 1 at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/politicsonfilmbestof2009>

"Movies reflect the values, ideas and concerns of the day," said ***Politics on Film*** co-founder Gayle Osterberg. "Politics on Film is providing this forum to record moviegoers' thoughts on the political stories represented by movies each year - what topics they thought were important, what messages resonated and why. We hope over time this will become an interesting record of the impact of political stories."

Co-founder Philip Dufour added, "We started this festival as a forum for people of differing political views to come together around film and to discuss the important issues of the day. We feel we have created an environment to allow open, honest and frank dialogue and trust this festival will grow in the years to come."

Politically themed movies in 2009 included a range of genres and topics – from critically-acclaimed dramas like "The Hurt Locker" and "Invictus" and science fiction favorite "District 9" to documentaries like "Food Inc." and ***Politics on Film*** opener and Audience Favorite "The Response", which was recently announced as making the short list of potential nominees for Best Short Film by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Local film and politics buffs will talk up their favorite political films of the year on the ***Politics on Film*** blog in the coming weeks at www.politicsonfilm.com

Survey results will be announced later in February.

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About Politics on Film

Politics on Film is a project of the Washington Political Film Foundation. It is an annual, bipartisan film festival based in Washington DC dedicated to providing a platform for films that tell stories of America's politics and policies. The festival celebrates the power of film to educate and motivate, as well as entertain. The Festival also celebrates the historic and ongoing legacy of films about American government and democracy, as well as related stories and themes from an international perspective. www.politicsonfilm.com.