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Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy Presents Film Series Highlighting Personal Adventure on Five Different Continents

PALOS VERDES PENINSULA, September 15, 2016— Join the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy for our third annual film series, *The Beauty of Nature* for **Touching the Void**, 7 pm on September 23rd at the Hermosa Beach Community Theater. This year's *The Beauty of Nature* series brings outdoor enthusiasts together to celebrate the beauty in our natural surroundings. Each film in this year's series selects a different continent for each film and highlights how nature inspires personal adventures that transform the lives of those brave enough to take the journey.

Touching the Void (2003: 106 min) is a gripping docudrama of a mountaineering trek gone awry, narrated by Simon Yates and Joe Simpson who were climbing the Andes and were forced to make a pivotal decision. The film is rated R. Following the film, please stay for remarks from local mountain climber Aaron Kissel, a junior at Mira Costa in Manhattan Beach. Aaron will share stories about his life-changing experience hiking Mount Waddington in British Columbia.

The Beauty of Nature in 2014 and 2015 was attended by over 2,000 patrons who enjoy experiencing adventures and the beauty of the outdoors. Executive Director Andrea Vona describes "Each of the films this year highlights the stunning unique natural beauty of a different continent. These personal stories of immigration, trekking, extreme mountaineering or horseback riding, allow audience members to see how tremendous natural beauty makes a lasting impact on humans through these challenges." The films are \$10 for adults and free for students 18 years and younger. Tickets and reservations available at www.pvplc.org or call 310.541.7613. The location of the Hermosa Beach Community Theater is 710 Pier Avenue, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254.

The series concludes with a drawing for a fabulous raffle prize for a three-night stay for two at **Rancho de los Caballeros, a historic guest ranch resort and golf club situated on 20,000 acres of spectacular Sonoran Desert**. Family-owned since 1948, the ranch offers activities for the whole family, including horseback riding, nature hikes, desert cookouts, award-winning golf and a full-service spa. Only 400 opportunity tickets will be available for \$20 each (or 3 tickets for \$40). For tickets, please call 310-541-7613 (M-F 9 to 5). Restrictions apply; Value \$1,485. Raffle winner will drawn November 19th; winner need not be present!

The film series concludes with **Unbranded** (North America, 2015: 106 min) November 19th 4 pm at the Warner Grand Theatre, a documentary featuring a once-in-a-lifetime adventure of four young men, sixteen mustangs and one dream to ride horseback from the border of Mexico to Canada. Tickets for all of these films are available at www.pvplc.org or call 310.541.7613.

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