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Yukon film projects financed through Yukon Filmmakers Fund

WHITEHORSE – Yukon government’s Film & Sound Commission is awarding \$40,135 to six Yukon filmmakers through the Yukon Filmmakers Fund.

“Though we’re a small jurisdiction, Yukon has an immense amount of talent,” Economic Development Minister Jim Kenyon said. “The Yukon Filmmakers Fund assists local filmmaking professionals to develop opportunities, which in turn fosters our cultural industries and diversifies Yukon’s economy.”

Whitehorse filmmaker Arlin McFarlane is one of the successful recipients, receiving \$8,000 to produce and direct the film entitled Walks Like.

“The Yukon Filmmakers Fund is an essential program that enables filmmakers to grow their careers,” McFarlane said. “Filmmaking takes a lot of collaboration and team work; you need lighting people, camera people, location managers, the cast and many others. Receiving financial assistance is helpful in leveraging financial support from other sources and in growing the industry.”

Jessica Hall is receiving \$8,000 to produce her documentary under its working title Speed Control which follows the trials and tribulations of an up-and-coming local band.

“After recording 50 to 60 hours of footage, I realized the story of Speed Control cannot be told — it’s revealed,” Hall said. “This documentary follows the band through Yukon, British Columbia and Nashville, and speaks to the romance and importance of live performances.”

The purpose of the Yukon Filmmakers Fund is to deliver funding to Yukon film and video professionals to develop careers and businesses making films and video for broadcast or commercial release.

To be eligible for the Yukon Filmmakers Fund, the applicant must be a Canadian citizen or have landed immigrant status and have lived in Yukon for at least one continuous year prior to the funding deadline. Grants are awarded twice each year with application deadlines on June 1 and December 1.

For more information about the Yukon Filmmakers Fund visit www.reelyukon.com.

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See backgrounder attached.

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Yukon Filmmakers Fund Recipients

December 2010 Intake

- Ian Basso - No Services: The Life and Times of the Alaska Highway Lodges - \$8,000
- Arlin McFarlane - Walks Like - \$8,000
- Edward Westerhuis - Victory Vacation - \$6,135

June 2010 Intake

- Jessica Hall - Speed Control - \$8,000
- Christopher Levett - Observation and Intention - \$6,000
- Heidi Slat - King Kras - \$4,000

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