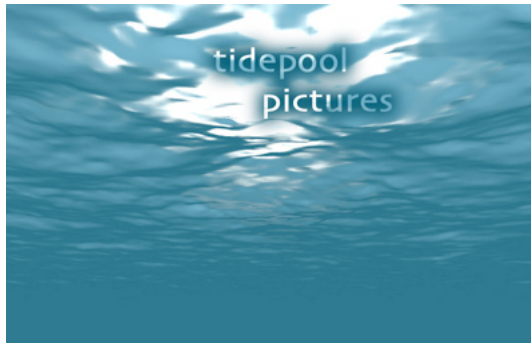


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What? A benefit for the Jesusita Fire Long Term Recovery Fund
When? June 6th, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.
Where? Samy's Camera 614 Chapala Street, Santa Barbara 93101
Cost? A suggested donation of \$5 at the door

Samy's Camera and Tidepool Pictures present the premiere of "**Behind the Lines: Fighting a Wildland Fire**" to benefit Jesusita Fire Victims.

This is filmmaker Jennie Reinish's third feature documentary and will be a world premiere. Filmed during the 2007-2008 California wildfire seasons, "Behind the Lines" gives audiences a glimpse at what goes into fighting a large-scale wildfire. Through interviews with the men and women behind the lines and facing the fire, audiences will get a glimpse of the magnitude and effort put in by people from all over the United States to keep the fire from reaching our communities and our homes. More information on the film is available at <http://tinyurl.com/FireFilm>

At 7:30, Singer songwriter/ healer Sudama Mark Kennedy performs original music with his band **Dreamtime Continuum**. Sudama recently lost his home in the Jesusita Fire, and will be playing to help us raise funds for the United Way's Jesusita Fire Long Term Recovery Fund. The music of Dreamtime Continuum features a trance and dance, world instruments such as didjeridu, shakuhachi flute, and dotara, and improvised rappings, nested in world music grooves. Dreamtime includes Chris Judge on electric guitar, Eje Lynn-Jacobs on bass, Chris Thomas on percussion, Ernie Kram on guitar, Burton Drum on congas, Montino Bourbon on dotara and other special guests. For more information on the band, visit www.myspace.com/Sudama or www.sudama.com

Food for the event will be donated by Silvergreens restaurant.

You will have an opportunity to meet and thank some of your local Firefighters. A photographer will be onhand to take your photo on a fire truck! There will also be a raffle of items to benefit the Jesusita Fire Fund.

This is an outdoor screening, so dress for the weather, and bring a chair or blanket to sit on. The film will begin at sundown - approximately 8:15 p.m.

A suggested donation of \$5 at the door will benefit the United Way's Jesusita Fire Long Term Recovery Fund. Additionally, you can purchase a copy of "Behind the Lines" with proceeds to benefit the Steven J. Masto memorial scholarship fund, which serves the children of local firefighters.

Come out and support your local firefighters, and our community, and learn just what goes on behind the scenes of a wildfire.

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