"Northwest Louisiana Film Trail" SATW Post-Fam Tour Itinerary February 10-12, 2016 Tour Hosts: Chris Jay (318) 272-1696 and Lynn Dorsey (318) 268-2935 Please note that stops are tentative, as many partners in the entertainment industry cannot schedule tours more than a year in advance. If any stop must be replaced, it will be replaced with a comparable experience.

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2016

9 a.m. – Meet Chris Jay and Lynn Dorsey to depart Golden Nugget Casino Lake Charles Lobby

Please note that the drive from Lake Charles to Shreveport-Bossier will take approximately 3.5 hours. **Participating journalists are encouraged to enjoy breakfast on their own prior to departure.**

1 p.m. – Lunch at Superior's Steakhouse Towne Oak Square, 855 Pierremont Road #120 Shreveport, LA www.superiorssteakhouse.com

About: This upscale chop house and bar routinely attracts filmmakers and stars who are in town. It has also been used as a filming location for films including *Mr. Brooks* (2007) starring Kevin Costner and Demi Moore. Lunch here is fantastic and more casual than the fine dining dinner menu – choose from po-boys, gumbo and other Louisiana delicacies.

2:30 p.m. - Visit R.W. Norton Art Gallery

4747 Creswell Avenue Shreveport, LA <u>www.rwnaf.org</u> **Media Contact:** Emily Feazel, (318) 865-4201

About: When film productions need a museum or gallery space location in Shreveport, they often end up at the R.W. Norton Art Gallery. This privately owned museum houses a huge collection of European and American art spanning four centuries. Movies that have filmed here include *My Mom's New Boyfriend (2008)* starring Colin Hanks and Meg Ryan. Highlights of the collection include works by Mary Cassatt, Auguste Rodin and John James Audubon.

4 p.m. – Visit Moonbot Studios 2031 Kings Hwy #102 Shreveport, LA <u>www.moonbotstudios.com</u> Media Contact: Sara Hebert, Marketing Director, (318) 213-0770, shebert@moonbotstudios.com **About:** Moonbot Studios is a groundbreaking animation and multimedia storytelling studio that creates animated films, video games, mobile apps, books and more. The studio won the Academy Award in 2012 for their debut short film, *The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore*.

5 p.m. – Break at Hotel

6:30 p.m. – Tour and Dinner at Robinson Film Center 617 Texas Street Shreveport, LA www.robinsonfilmcenter.org Media Contact: Alex Kent, Executive Director, (318) 459-4123 akent@robinsonfilmcenter.org

About: Robinson Film Center is a two-screen art house cinema that is also a film education resource and a local hub for film industry-related activities. Celebrities and filmmakers often host screenings and Q&As at Robinson Film Center while they are in town – stars who've done so include Nicolas Cage, Val Kilmer, director James Gunn (*Guardians of the Galaxy*) and Kevin Costner. After our tour, we'll have dinner at Abby Singer's Bistro, an excellent restaurant and bar located upstairs at Robinson Film Center.

9 p.m. – Return to Hotel

Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016

8:30 a.m. – Breakfast at Julie Anne's Bakery 825 Kings Highway Shreveport, LA www.julieannesbakery.com

About: Before departing for Minden, we'll have breakfast at a local bakery and sandwich shop that found itself in the pages of *People* magazine when star Katie Holmes visited and bought cupcakes for the cast and crew of her film *Mad Money (2008)*.

9:30 a.m. – Depart Shreveport-Bossier for Minden

10 a.m. – Tour Minden's Historic Residential District

About: Tour Minden's historic residential district, where numerous major motion pictures have been made. Tour stops will include the Slaid home, which was used as a brothel in the comedy film *Harold & Kumar: Escape From Guantanamo Bay (2008)*.

10:45 a.m. – Visit Historic Downtown Minden and Second Hand Rose Antiques About: Take a brief walking tour of historic downtown Minden. This is a popular location for film and television production due to the original brick streets, timeless architecture and "Small Town, U.S.A." look. Films shot here include *Premonition (2007), Blonde Ambition (2007), Welcome Home, Roscoe Jenkins (2008)* and *Dark Places (2013)*.

Second Hand Rose Antiques, one of the most popular and unique shops in downtown Minden, is a three-story antique store that is managed by the unforgettable Miss Millie Rose. Known for her habit of singing and dancing in front of the store, Miss Millie Rose counts among her favorite customers everyone from Jessica Simpson to Ice Cube.

12:30 p.m. – Lunch in Historic Downtown Minden Restaurant TBD

1:30 p.m. – Visit City Artworks 701 Main Street Minden, LA <u>https://www.facebook.com/mindencityartworks</u> Media Contact: Bill Cook, (318) 540-3324

About: City Artworks, a city-owned art gallery on Main Street in downtown Minden, was transformed into "The Blood Bar" for the comedic film *Vampires Suck (2010)*. Today, the gallery space and classroom is used for everything from art classes to group yoga sessions, providing a fantastic cultural resource for locals and visitors alike.

2:30 p.m. – Depart Minden for Shreveport-Bossier

3 p.m. – Tour The Remington Suites Hotel 220 Travis Street Shreveport, LA <u>www.remingtonsuite.com</u> **Media Contact:** Jennifer Taylor, (318) 425-5000

About: When productions need extremely high-end accommodations for their top stars, they often book the luxury suites at this boutique hotel. Stars like Michael Douglas, Jessica Simpson, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Angela Bassett and Gerard Butler have stayed at the hotel. Marketing director Jennifer Taylor will show us why the film industry loves this boutique hotel so much.

4 p.m. – Visit "The Starbucks Hall of Fame" at Hilton Shreveport

104 S. Market Street Shreveport, LA

About: Is it the world's oddest Starbucks? The coffee shop located inside of the Hilton Shreveport is home to a huge collection of autographed photos and memorabilia from more than 300 celebrities who've stayed at the hotel while filming in town. We'll make a

quick stop for coffee and to check out their collection.

4:30 p.m. – Driving Tour: Millennium Studios, Shreveport Municipal Auditorium, Ogilvie-Wiener House and Logan Mansion

About: We'll take a driving tour of a part of downtown Shreveport that has been especially popular with the film industry, including the Gothic-style Ogilvie-Wiener House, which is prominently featured in the opening credits of HBO's hit series True Blood. We'll also see popular filming location Shreveport Municipal Auditorium (most recently used in the 2015 Hank Williams biopic *I Saw the Light*) and Millennium Studios.

5:15 p.m. – Break at Hotel

6:45 p.m. – Pick-up at hotel for dinner

7 p.m. – Dinner at Marilynn's Place Restaurant 4041 Fern Avenue Shreveport, LA <u>www.marilynns-place.com</u> Media Contact: Chef "Boz" Baucom, (318) 868-3004

About: "Boz" Baucom's restaurant serves up huge portions of tasty Creole and Cajun favorites including jambalaya, shrimp creole, crawfish etouffee and more. Baucom is a former film industry caterer who relocated to Shreveport following Hurricane Katrina in order to work in the area's burgeoning film industry. He decided to put down roots and opened this popular eatery, which is named for his mother.

8:30 p.m. – Return to Hotel

Friday, Feb. 12, 2016

7 a.m. – Approximate pick-up time for departures via Shreveport Regional Airport