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Kino Heritage Society

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Subject Premier Showings of New Padre Kino Movie by Aurora Vision in U.S. and Mexico

¡Viva Kino! Attraverso deserti senza frontiere tra Messico e Stati Uniti - Italian ¡Viva Kino! Across Deserts and Borders - Riding Behind Padre Kino - English

¡Viva Kino! - A Caballo Por Los Caminos del Padre - Spanish

New Documentary Film: Italy / USA / Mexico

In Italian, English and Spanish with subtitles in each language version Duration 61 minutes. Produced by Aurora Vision of Rome and Trent, Italy

Dates March 9 through March 22, 2018

California Showings Los Angeles- Arena Cinelounge Sunset, 6464 Sunset Blvd, March 9 -15, Admission Charge

Arizona Showings Tucson - Gramer Hall, Saints Peter and Paul School, March 17, 2018 @ 7 pm Free

Nogales - Gymnasium Lourdes Catholic School, March 18, 2018 @ 1 pm Free

Kino documentary by students of Lourdes High School will be shown also.

Phoenix - The Film Bar, 815 N. 2nd St, March 22, 2018 @ 5 pm Free RSVP 602 325 5502

Mexico Showings Magdalena de Kino, Sonora, March 19, 2018 [location and time to be announced]

Hermosillo - La Sociedad Sonorense de Historia, Rosales 123, March 20, 2018 @ 7 pm

Previews Indie Film Trailer - https://vimeo.com/255027269

"Walls" - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P9odnTeB7oE&feature=share

Footage from movie used in 7 minute documentary about the Kino Border Initiative.

Facebook Across Deserts and Borders - https://www.facebook.com/VivaKinoAcrossDeserts/

Eusebio Kino - https://www.facebook.com/eusebio.kino.56

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¡Viva Kino! is a documentary movie about the Arizona-Sonora borderlands as told by María, a young rodeo instructor. While traveling on horseback on the Kino Mission Trail, Maria sees the tragic changes to the desert borderlands with increased human migration and drug trafficking and the impact on the lives of the Tohono O'odham Indian people. She finds hope by reflecting on the life of pioneer Jesuit missionary Padre Kino and his legacy - the work of the Kino Border Initiative in its advocacy for migrant families and aid to the deported.

Padre Eusebio Francisco Kino (1645-1711) is described as "the noblest Southwesterner of all" by the eminent historian of the American West Lawrence Clark Powell. Kino worked 24 years in today's Arizona-Sonora borderlands with the Tohono O'odham people who helped him build over 20 missions.

¡Viva Kino! is directed by Lia Giovanazzi Beltrami and produced by Andrea Morghen of Aurora Vision - the award winning Italian film production company that they founded. Lia and Andrea will travel from Italy to introduce ¡Viva Kino! in its premier showings in the U.S. and Mexico where it was filmed last May.

Many Aurora Vision documentaries take on difficult global problems ranging from human migration, global hunger & disease to the search for peace in the Middle East. Aurora Vision films on location in Africa, Asia and South America where people live with greatest need. Its movies promote solidarity and hope among all people especially understanding between people of different religious traditions. In 2017 Lia Beltrami accepted the first Golden Lion for Peace (Leone d'Oro per la Pace) awarded by The Venice International Film Festival on behalf of the Women of Faith For Peace, an organization she founded in 2009. The U.S. premier showings are presented by the Kino Heritage Society based in Tucson, Arizona - website: www.padrekino.com.