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Oscar[®]-Winning Director to Screen Newest Film at Earth Day Texas

Louie Psihoyos will host Texas premiere of 'Racing Extinction' April 25 and 26 at The Music Hall at Fair Park in Dallas

DALLAS (April 16) – After four years of building the nation’s largest public environmental event, Earth Day Texas will celebrate its fifth anniversary by hosting the exclusive Texas premiere of *Racing Extinction*, with Academy Award[®]-winning filmmaker Louie Psihoyos.

Racing Extinction was an official selection at Sundance 2015, and Psihoyos recently received the Documentary Award for Environmental Advocacy at the D.C. Environmental Film Festival.

After exposing the mass killing of dolphins in *The Cove*, Psihoyos has returned to filmmaking with a documentary about the role humans play in the extinction of animal species all over the planet, focusing on the oceans and the illegal marine wildlife trade. The documentary includes a team of artists and activists giving audiences unprecedented access to the secret world of mass extinction.

During the week of April 20, the specially made “getaway Tesla” featured in the film will be in Dallas projecting videos on some of Dallas’s most prominent downtown buildings. Environmental enthusiasts in Dallas can follow the state-of-the-art electric vehicle around town to become a part of the *Racing Extinction* action.

In addition to the Tesla, co-producer Gina Papabeis, Duke University conservation ecologist Dr. Stuart Pimm and racecar driver Leilani Münter, who both appear in the documentary, will be at Earth Day Texas with Psihoyos.

The film is presented by Okeanos – Foundation for the Sea, produced by the Oceanic Preservation Society (OPS) in association with Earth Day Texas and co-executive produced by Trammell S. Crow. It screens at The Music Hall at Fair Park on Saturday, April 25, and Sunday, April 26, at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. each day.

All events at Earth Day Texas are free and open to the public.

For more information about Earth Day Texas and a complete list of activities, please visit www.earthdaytx.org.

About Earth Day Texas

Each April, Earth Day Texas hosts the world's largest public exhibition devoted to environmental stewardship. The show is a platform that brings businesses, environmental organizations, academic institutions and government agencies together to positively influence the way Texans think, live and work. By providing enlightening talks, unique showcases and interactive workshops, EDTx catalyzes meaningful conversations that will shape a sustainable future.

About Oceanic Preservation Society

Oceanic Preservation Society (OPS) is a nonprofit organization that creates film, photography and media, inspiring people to save the oceans. Founded in 2005 by renowned photographer and avid diver Louie Psihoyos, OPS is headquartered in Boulder, CO, conveniently between two oceans.

OPS's first film, *The Cove*, has won dozens of awards around the world, including the Oscar[®] for Best Documentary in 2009, and inspired over a million people to action.

Oceanic Preservation Society is composed of two separate entities – a 501(c)(3) public charity and a 501(c)(3) private foundation (The OPS Foundation). Both entities are registered with the State of Colorado.

About Okeanos – Foundation for the Sea

The Okeanos – Foundation for the Sea is focusing its attention on individuals and communities that are taking action and making positive steps to heal the oceans and to reconnect humankind with the sea. Okeanos encourages discussions and actions through documentary films that they either produce or finance. However, their main focus lies on the development and funding of practical projects worldwide, with a focus on the Pacific, where they supported the projects of Pacific Voyagers Charitable Trust. For more information, please visit www.okeanos-foundation.org.