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FOCUS FILM FESTIVAL

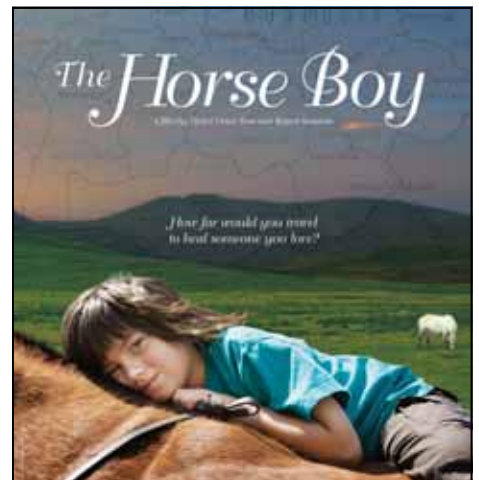
exploring the complexity of the human experience

Join FOCUS Film Festival, for a screening of *The Horse Boy*, at the Big Room at Sierra Nevada (1075 E. 20th St., Chico), April 29, 2010, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Meet special guest, **Rupert Isaacson**, author of the book *The Horse Boy* and producer of the film. Mr. Isaacson will be on hand to take questions following the screening. Come early and enjoy the rhythms of West African drumming performed by **Djembe Kan**, 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM.

Purchase tickets at the door or in advance at all Little Red Hen stores in Chico: LRH Garden Center (8th and Wall); LRH Gift Shop (897 E. 20th Street) and Kids and Kitchens (959 East Ave). General admission \$10 or \$6 for students with ID.

About the film: An intensely personal yet epic spiritual journey, *The Horse Boy* follows one Texas couple and their autistic son as they trek on horseback through Outer Mongolia in an attempt to treat his condition with shamanic healing.

Directed by Michel Orion Scott, *The Horse Boy* is part travel adventure, part insight into shamanic healing and part intimate look at the autistic mind. In telling one family's extraordinary story, the film gives voice to the thousands who display amazing courage and creativity everyday in the battle to help their children with autism. See www.horseboymovie.com



FOCUS Film Festival explores documentary and feature films which “focus” on and examine the complexity of the human experience: culture, relationships, aging, disability, and more.

The Festival features productions from a wide range of sources bringing Northstate audiences an opportunity to experience innovation, creativity, and diverse perspectives through the medium of film. FOCUS Film Festival is a project of Far Northern Regional Center.

Djembe Kan is a Chico based group that plays the rhythms of West Africa. Combining the Djembe and Dun Dun drums, Djembe Kan brings the rhythms and sounds of Africa to you. For more information, www.chicocafeculture.com

For more information go to: www.farnorthernrc.org/FOCUSFilmFestival or contact Mary Ann Weston, 222-4791 x3430.
High resolution photographs available upon request.

