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Carroll County Arts Council and FLICC to offer virtual screenings of award-winning documentary, "The Cordillera of Dreams"

In step with their promise to keep the arts alive in Carroll County despite the shutdown, the Carroll County Arts Council and the Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) will be offering virtual screenings of Patricio Guzmán's "The Cordillera of Dreams," the winner of Best Documentary at the 2019 Cannes Film Festival. Guzmán's poetic documentary investigates the relationship between the past political trauma of his native Chile and the imposing landscape of the Andes mountains. The film will be available from May 15 – June 5 and can be accessed on the Arts Council's website. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Arts Council, a vibrant hub for diverse cultural programming.

After his previous documentaries "Nostalgia for the Light" and "The Pearl Button," "The Cordillera of Dreams" is the final film in Guzmán's landscape and memory trilogy. The titular Cordillera refers to the Andes mountain range, a stunning backdrop to the Chilean landscape. Guzmán's film explores how the Cordillera acts as a symbol of both Chilean national identity and the country's tragic history. By linking together Chile's past and future, Guzmán's work rescues his home country from the threat of historical amnesia. His masterful weaving of personal memories and histories with gorgeous cinematography make this breathtaking documentary a must-see.

"The Cordillera of Dreams" won two prizes at this year's Cannes Film Festival: The Oeil d'Or Best Documentary Prize and the Beatrice Satori Critics Prize. It opened theatrically at IFC Center where its initial week-long run was extended for a month due to popular demand. It has received much critical acclaim, being called "a vital source of historical awareness" by Screen Slate and "a stunning achievement" by Variety.

This film is made available by its distributor, Icarus Films. All rentals of the film cost \$12 and can be viewed for 48 hours after purchase. Access the film online at CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org. The Arts Council box office is currently closed, but staff can be reached by email at info@CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org.

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CALENDAR LISTING (please list under Film, Virtual Event, or related category)

"Cordillera of Dreams." May 15 – June 5. Virtually screen this documentary by master filmmaker Patricio Guzmán that explores the relationship between Chile's traumatic political history and its stunning Andes landscape. A portion of the proceeds benefit the Carroll County Arts Council. \$12. Go to CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org to access the film.

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