



Photo by Hao Nguyen

The TOP AWARD at the Melbourne Independent Filmmakers Festival: Robert W. Kurrus Jr. Humanitarian Award! The award is in honor of Robert W. Kurrus Jr., a dear friend of the festival who died in a tragic plane crash this year. A great humanitarian and supporter of independent film.



“Pui Chan: Kung Fu Pioneer” Phenomenon Continues ■ By Asia Trend

PUI CHAN: KUNG FU PIONEER has swept all the awards at every film festival it entered including Documentary Audience Choice at Boston Asian American Film Festival, 2012 Winner Best Documentary at Central Florida Film Festival, 2012 Finalist Best Florida Project at Central Florida Film Festival, 2012 Winner Audience Choice Award at Central Florida Film Festival, 2012 Most Inspiring at Orlando Film Festival, 2012 Humanitarian Award—Jury Prize at Melbourne Film Festival.

The documentary is a biography on a martial arts legend, Wah Lum Kung Fu Grandmaster Pui Chan, who overcame the challenges to achieve the American dream. The value of hard work and perseverance through kung fu training determined Mater Chan's path to success. Grandmaster Pui Chan is recognized as one of the pioneers for bringing traditional kung fu to America and accepting students re-

gardless of race.

First time director, Mimi Chan, Pui's daughter is best known for being the model and martial arts video reference for Disney's Mulan. Mimi is overwhelmed by the positive feedback and reception to the film. "As a first time filmmaker, and an Asian American female director, it is a real honor to be selected to screen in these film festivals; and to win awards has been unbelievable. I feel so proud that I am able to honor my father's legacy and share his inspirational story with the world," said Mimi Chan.

Every film screening was filled with passionate audiences who laughed, cried, and cheered during the film. Mimi added, "the best part of this experience has been to see how happy my parents are, and knowing they are proud of the project and the positivity that is being shared through my film. I am so appre-

ciative of everyone who has helped me and supported this project. Thank you to all of our fans and supporters!"

More screenings are on the way including Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival at Muvico Pompano 18, Pompano Beach - Nov 10, 2012, 6pm

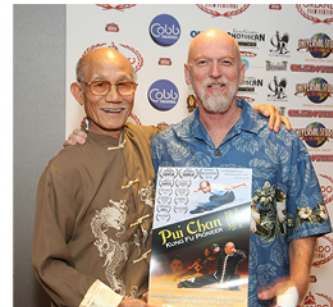
Daytona Beach Film Festival at The City Island Ballroom – DBBR, 110 E. Orange Avenue, Daytona Beach - Nov 10, 2012, 12pm

docMIAMI Film Festival at the Nova Southeastern University, Auditorium 2 - Dec 7, 2012, 1:40pm

Museum of Moving Image at 36-01 35 Avenue (at 37 Street) Astoria, NY 11106 - Feb 23, 2013, 3pm

Check the website at <http://www.puichan.com> or follow www.facebook.com/PuiChanKungFu-Pioneer.





Orlando Film Festival at Plaza Cinema Café on Oct 20 and 21

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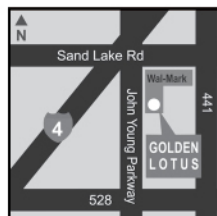
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