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You are invited to this rare screening at the Red Vic ARISTIDE & THE ENDLESS REVOLUTION

A new documentary by Swiss filmmaker Nicolas Rossier.

It will be shown TWO NIGHTS ONLY

Please forward this email to all who might be interested.

WHERE:
Red Vic Movie House
1727 HAIGHT Street, San Francisco

WHEN:
Wednesday, March 8, 2006. Showings at 2:00, 7:15 and 9:15
Thursday, March 9, 2006. Showings at 7:15 and 9:15

Speakers from HAITI ACTION COMMITTEE at evening screenings

About the film:

A complex historical truth emerges in Nicolas Rossier's intelligent examination revealing the oft-suppressed story of the 2004 coup d'etat in Haiti, as well as the systemic violence and human rights violations that erupted under the interim government.

An interview with the deposed president, Jean-Bertrand Aristide in Pretoria, South Africa, is juxtaposed with the views of a wide range of supporters and critics, including US Assistant Secretary of State Roger Noriega. It is not Aristide and the LAVALAS supporters who emerge looking like thugs but international interests concerned with suppressing popular democracy and ending the reforms Aristide was capable of making - despite embargoes and the need to service a debt for loans Haiti never received. History repeated itself in Haiti in 2004 in that the former parish priest had already been deposed as president in 1991 with CIA support. His kidnapping marked the fourth American intervention into Haiti in 90 years.

This was also not the first intervention by France. In 1801, Napoleon had the leader of free Haiti, Toussant L'Ouverture, seized and deported to prison in France where he died. While faced with the strangulation of aid, Aristide had begun a campaign for reparations.

This provocative investigation draws out the central place of international history in the historical poverty of Haiti. - Vancouver Film Festival.

For more info:
log onto <http://www.aristidethefilm.com/>.

Show times:
Nightly at 6:15, 8:00 & 9:45. Additional Wed, Sat & Sun matinees at 2:00 & 4:30.

More About the film:
<http://www.aristidethefilm.com>

"Nicolas Rossier's gift to future generations.....It is a critically important work concerning an event that should not be consigned to forgotten history"

--- JACK RANDOM - Author of Jazzman Chronicles

"Aristide and the Endless Revolution is a film that should be seen and discussed. Many of the titles at this year's VIFF can broaden our understanding of the world, and of others' realities. Few, however, will match Aristide in calling forth urgent political action"

--- Derrick O'Keefe - Seven Oaks Magazine

"An excellent film about the sad recent political history of Haiti that not only provides a rich, well-detailed context for understanding the rise and fall and rise and fall of Aristide but also offers a provocative meditation of the role of outside, especially American, forces and interests in his tumultuous career."

--- Richard Peña - Program Director - Film Society of Lincoln Center

"The film is great. An awesome job of getting the recent historical context (1991 coup, etc.) in with the slave revolution/independence. A non-Haiti follower is assured an exciting, informative, powerful work ..Director Nicolas Rossier bravely exposes this great truth: the fire of the slave revolution continues to burn in every hungry Haitian's heart."

--- Thomas Griffin - Thomas Griffin - Author of the Human Rights Investigation on Haiti, March 2004, Miami School of Law

"Compelling and informative, this documentary by Nicolas Rossier examines events in Haiti--including the history leading up to the 2004 kidnapping of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide--via interviews with a wide range of opponents and supporters as well with the former parish priest himself".

--- Vancouver International Film Festival