

# Athens natives host College Town Film Festival

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Athens High School graduates film and media professor Matthew Jordan and film producer Eric Zudak return to Athens and Ohio University with their one-of-a-kind touring film festival.

The College Town Film Festival is designed to bring together working professionals, students and academicians. The fast-growing festival, which is adding college campuses at a steady rate, has a simple mission: locate local professors to champion, examine and discuss new films in an academic setting. The festival opens with Zudak's film "Karaoke Man" starring Brian Dietzen from NCIS. Jordan and Zudak will be joined onstage by writer Kevin Guzowski for a lively discussion after the film.

Opening night will be held Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. at the Athena Cinema.

Festival highlights for the Athens tour-stop include:

- Legendary filmmaker Julian Doyle, editor of "Life of Brian," "Holy Grail," "Time Bandits" and "Brazil" brings his new film "Twilight of The Gods" along with his unique perspective on the movie business, Monty Python and "The Language of Film" to the Athena.
- Join Emmy-nominated actress Carrie Preston ("The Good Wife," "True Blood") as she presents and discusses her new film, "That's What She Said" (a Sundance Film Festival Official Selection) starring Anne Heche. "That's What She Said" will be followed by a closing night party at Jackie O's Pub and Brewery featuring musical act Guiney and Grimes. Bob Guiney who was the bachelor on Season 4 of ABC's hit show "The Bachelor," also signed his first record deal in 1994.
- "Too Cold Out There Without You" is a documentary film about Rev. Christopher Fike. When Christopher was ordained in the Episcopal Church he was a straight, married mother of two. The film is a story that looks beyond the act of transitioning and instead focuses on the transformations that take place in Chris's relationships and the church. Christopher and the film's director Amy Gattie will be joined by the OU LGBT Center to discuss the making of the film and its powerful impact.
- Late Night Zombie Fest: featuring the short film "Revenant" and the psychedelic Brazilian-made feature film, "Beyond The Grave."