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JAMES MOLL'S "INHERITANCE" TO BE SCREENED AT THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY

SAN DIEGO-The San Diego Public Library and Media Arts Center San Diego will host a film showing of James Moll's *Inheritance* at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 7, in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is FREE to the public.

"Inheritance" is the story of Monika Hertwig, the daughter of mass murderer Amon Goeth, portrayed by Ralph Fiennes in the Academy-Award winning *Schindler's List*. Often described as a "monster" and "inhuman," Goeth was the prominent Nazi leader and commandant of the Plaszow Concentration Camp. Utterly ruthless and sadistic, he murdered thousands of Jews and others during the war. Hertwig has spent her life in the shadow of her father's sins, trying to come to terms with her "inheritance." The fact that this man was her father is a brutal reality that Monika didn't know anything about until her teen years. Feeling an aching need to come to terms with this legacy of evil, Monika reaches out to Helen Jonas, a survivor of the Holocaust and one of the few living eyewitnesses to his unspeakable brutality. Helen lived enslaved under Goeth's roof, serving as both his maid and prey for nearly two years. The women's raw, emotional meeting unearths terrible truths and lingering questions about how the actions of our parents can continue to ripple through generations.

James Moll's credits include *The Last Days*, for which he won an Academy Award in 1999, as well as *Price for Peace*, hosted by Tom Brokaw. In addition to his filmmaking, Moll established and operated The Shoah Foundation with Steven Spielberg for the purpose of videotaping Holocaust survivor testimonies around the world.

Since 1988, PBS' POV series has brought the best of independent point-of-view documentaries to a national audience, featuring the work of America's most innovative documentary filmmakers to build new communities in conversation about today's most pressing social issues. *Inheritance* will air locally on Sunday, December 21 at 11:00 p.m.

Free parking is available at the lot adjacent to the Library, on Broadway and 8th, courtesy of Five Star Parking. In addition, parking meters are not enforced on Sundays, and other pay parking lots are available in the vicinity of the library.

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