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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## TNRL Partners with Kamloops Film Society to Provide Free Passes

Kamloops, BC - February 21, 2023 - Let your library card take you to the movies!

The Thompson-Nicola Regional Library (TNRL) and the Kamloops Film Society (KFS) have proudly teamed up to offer free movie passes to the Paramount Theatre for patrons to borrow.

Just in time for the Kamloops Film Festival, March 2-11, 2023, community passes to the Paramount Theatre will allow TNRD residents to experience the best that cinema has to offer, during the festival and beyond, all with just their library card!

"We are excited to bring accessible movie theatre experiences to our patrons," said TNRL Manager of Discovery and Support Services Jenny Abramzik. "This new offering builds on the success of our BC Wildlife Park passes, our Family Fitness passes and the recent addition of Big Little Science Centre passes. We are grateful to our community partners such as the Kamloops Film Society who make these enriching experiences possible."

The KFS has been providing diverse, high-quality films and supporting film-related activities in Kamloops and area for 50 years.

The KFS operates the Paramount Theatre, the Twin Rivers Drive-In, and the MovieMart Video Store, as well as running three main events: The Thursday Film Series, the Indigenous Film Festival, in partnership with Tkėmlúps te Secwépemc, and the annual March Kamloops Film Festival (KFF), which includes the Kamloops Independent Short Shorts (KISS) Festival. In April of 2023, the KFS will be launching a new French Film Festival in partnership with L'Association Francophone de Kamloops.

"The Kamloops Film Society is thrilled to be delivering this opportunity with our longtime partners at the TNRL," said KFS Executive Director, Dušan Magdolen. "We're always striving to make our film offerings as accessible as possible, and this community pass program is just another step in that direction."

The community pass is valid for admission to one regular-priced screening at the Paramount Theatre for one family (maximum two adults or seniors, and two children or

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students). The pass may be borrowed for up to one week. It does not include special events.

Patrons can place a hold on the pass at tnrl.ca or at their local library.

The pass is the newest addition to the TNRL's Extreme Lending program, a commitment to healthy communities through experience passes to help patrons discover, learn and grow.

For more information about community passes, visit <a href="mailto:tnrl.ca/community-passes">tnrl.ca/community-passes</a>.

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