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***Beneath Clouds* Film Night at Desert Park**

Locals and visitors have the opportunity to enjoy the award winning Australian feature film *Beneath Clouds* when it screens at the Alice Springs Desert Park (ASDP) at 7pm this Wednesday, 24 February 2010.

ASDP Sales and Marketing Manager Estelle Marshall said *Beneath Clouds* is regarded as one of the most striking debuts by any Australian director.

“Director Ivan Sen has taken the themes of the nature of identity and potency of place and used the movie’s genre to create a film that has been celebrated for its freshness and clarity of vision,” Mrs Marshall said.

“*Beneath Clouds* features Dannielle Hall as Lena, the fair-skinned daughter of an Aboriginal mother, who leaves her isolated country town to find her Irish father and a better life, and Damian Pitt as Vaughn, an Aboriginal teenager who breaks out of a minimum security prison to visit his mother before she dies.

“Events throw these two characters together and they embark on a journey that brings them closer to their search for purpose and identity.

“Territory cinematographer Allan Collins was Director of Photography on the film which won Best Direction and Best Cinematography awards at the 2002 Australian Film Institute (AFI) Awards.”

Mrs Marshall said the film will be shown on the big screen in the Exhibition Centre and is rated M with medium level coarse language, medium level violence and adult themes.

“The Desert Park strives to provide unique and entertaining evenings for locals and visitors to enjoy including film nights, ‘Music in the Park’ and ‘A Night with the Stars’ events,” Mrs Marshall said.

“Visitors can enjoy dinner or a drink before the film at the Coolamon Café from 5pm while the sun sets over the magnificent West MacDonnell Ranges.

The Exhibition Centre Theatre opens at 6.30pm and the film commences at 7pm. Please note seats are limited so get in early.

Tickets cost \$12 per adult or \$10 for Territorian pass holders. Tickets will be sold on the night with cash sales only.

For more information phone 8951 8788 or visit www.alicespringsdesertpark.com.au.

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